

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES AND THEIR ELECTION AGENTS UK PARLIAMENTARY GENERAL ELECTION - THURSDAY 4 JULY 2024

These pages provide information for Candidates and their agents about the UK Parliamentary General Election taking place on **Thursday 4 July 2024** to elect Members of Parliament to represent the five Edinburgh Constituencies. This includes all the forms that need to be completed by anyone wishing to stand as a candidate. There is also a range of useful information about the whole election process.

I have made arrangements for my staff to accept nomination papers between **10am** and **4pm** from **Monday 3 June 2024** and on each working day thereafter until **4pm on Friday 7 July 2024.** Nominations and deposits will be taken within the City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh EH1 1YJ. Specific access arrangements to allow nominations to be taken have been put in place.

The deposit for each nomination (£500) may be paid by electronic bank transfer, legal tender or banker's draft (from banks operating in the UK only) and by debit or credit card. **Electronic bank transfer is preferred.**

As candidates and agents will be aware, the nomination period for the UK Parliamentary General Election is very tight. To assist in ensuring that an appropriate member of staff is on hand to receive nominations it would be helpful if candidates could call 0131 469 3126 to make an appointment. Contact can be made by email to the Elections Team (elections@edinburgh.gov.uk).

For the avoidance of doubt, completed nomination papers must be lodged no later than 4pm on Friday7 July at the City Chambers, High Street, Edinburgh EH1 1YJ.

Candidates are advised to read the Electoral Commission's Guidance to Candidates and Agents which contains all the relevant information regarding this Election.

Guidance for Candidates and Agents at UK Parliamentary general elections in Great Britain | Electoral Commission

A candidates and agents briefing session will be held on **10 June** which will provide additional information about the campaign, poll and count and will be facilitated by my Depute Returning Officer and members of my team. It will be an important opportunity to clarify any issues or ask questions you may have about the arrangements for the election. **Additional information will be circulated about this event shortly.**

Yours faithfully

ANDREW KERR
Returning Officer
The City of Edinburgh UK Constituencies