



Local Government Elections

Date of Election: Thursday 5 May 2022

Notice of Openings of Postal Voters' Ballot Boxes and the Envelopes contained therein

To: All Candidates/Election Agents

Issue of Postal Votes

IDOX are contracted by me to produce the Postal Voting packs and postal ballot papers. Postal Vote packs will be dispatched to Royal Mail by the appointed contractor on the following date:-

- Thursday 14 April 2022 (for those registered before 30 March 2022)
- Tuesday 19 April 2022 (for those registered before 8 April 2022)
- Tuesday 26 April 2022 (for those registered up to 19 April 2022)

Opening of Postal Votes

I, **Donna Manson**, Returning Officer at the above election, hereby give you notice of the Openings of Postal Voters' Ballot Boxes and the envelopes contained therein on the dates and at the places and times all as specified in the schedule below.

I further notify you that you or your Election Agent (or any person appointed to attend in place of you or your Election Agent, provided their appointment has been duly made and notified to me) are entitled to be present at proceedings. You may appoint one Postal Vote Agent to attend any of the sessions specified in this notice.

Schedule of Opening of Postal Votes

Session No	Date	Venue	Start Time
1	Tuesday 19 April (Opening of Postal ballot packs, Envelope B's only to prepare for scanning – no ballot paper envelopes opened until 26 th April)	Council Chamber area The Highland Council Glenurquhart Road Inverness IV3 5NX	9 am
2	Wednesday 20 April		9am
3	Thursday 21 April		9 am
4	Friday 22 April		9 am
5	Monday 25 April		9 am
6	Tuesday 26 April (Scanning, verifying and reviewing commences and opening of ballot paper envelopes begins)		9 am
7	Wednesday 27 April		9 am

8	Thursday 28 April	9 am
9	Friday 29 April	9 am
10	Tuesday 3 May	9 am
11	Wednesday 4 May	9 am
12	Thursday 5 May	9 am
13	Thursday 5 May	8.00 pm until finished (c 3.30 am)

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