

Welcome to edition 2 of The Highland Councils Election Team newsletter aimed at developing your understanding of democracy, voting, and increasing Your interest. Please visit our <u>dedicated webpage</u> for more information.

Young Voters Survey: The Results

In our last edition of our Young Voters Newsletter, we gave you the chance to share your opinion on elections in the highlands. Thank you to all 207 of you who filled out the survey!! We have compiled all the results into one handy report which can be found here

"Our Guide To Elections" School tour

We are pleased to announce that we will be hitting the road with delivering our "Our Guide To Elections" PowerPoint in schools. We have produced a pre-recorded version which will be shown in most schools to provide you with further information on voting, and we will be presenting face to face at Kingussie High School on 23rd May 2023, followed by Dingwall Academy on 1st June 2023.

Upcoming Elections

The next election which you will be able to vote in is the Community Council elections. These elections are held to elect community councillors to represent in your local area.

They act as a voice for the local community on lots of issues from new buildings and roads to local services and facilities. It is important that a range of people are part of Community Councils so different opinions and ideas are heard. Further information can be viewed here

Anyone aged 16 and over can be a community councillor for their local area they reside in. They take place every 4 years; the last election was held in November 2019 and our next election is in November 2023.

Competition Time

Create the Highland Community Council election logo

With the upcoming Community Council elections, we want you to design us a new logo. These logo's will be published on all documentation, and you have a chance of winning a 6 month membership with our sponsors Highlife Highland. Could your entry be the new face of our Community Council elections?

Look at our poster for more details

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More information will be published in our next newsletter about the key election dates if you are interested in being a community councillor for your local area.