

NOTICE OF ELECTION OF COMMUNITY COUNCILLORS

****NAME** COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Elections are to be held for the return of ****MAX NO**** Councillors who will comprise the above-named Community Council for a period of 4 years from ****DATE****.

Nomination papers may be obtained from the Returning Officer, from Dumfries & Galloway Council (DGC) Customer Service Centres; Libraries, Information & Archives; and DGC website www.dumgal.gov.uk/communitycouncils.

Nomination papers, duly completed and signed, must be delivered within 21 calendar days of the date of this Notice to the Returning Officer, ****RO NAME****, at the undernoted address no later than 5.00pm on ****CLOSING DATE****.

Candidates for election may withdraw their nomination but only if they advise their withdrawal in writing to the Returning Officer no later than 5pm on the closing date for nominations.

A ballot box election will be held on ****DATE**** if more than **** MAX NO.**** persons remain validly nominated after the period for nominations has expired. Those entitled to stand for election, or to propose a nomination, are those whose names appear in the appropriate Electoral Registers as being eligible to vote in local government elections on the date of the Community Council election.

The Scottish Elections (Reduction in Voting Age) Bill introduced in Spring 2016 allows for 16 year olds to vote at Local Government and Scottish Parliament and they will therefore be included in the electoral register for those elections. Consequently, as Community Council elections are held on the Local Government franchise, this new ruling will now apply to all future Community Council elections.

The public should note that in the event of a poll, voting at this election will be confined to those members of the electorate who attend the poll in person. There will be no postal or proxy voting.

If ****MIN NO**** or more but less than ****MAX NO**** persons remain validly nominated, then such persons will be declared to be duly elected unopposed and will be empowered to fill a restricted number of vacancies by co-option.

If less than ****MIN NO**** persons remain validly nominated, the Community Council shall not be established.

Further notice will be given following receipt of nominations.

Returning Officer's name:

Address and postcode:
