

NOTICE OF ELECTION

Scottish Parliament election

For the ABERDEENSHIRE EAST ABERDEENSHIRE WEST BANFFSHIRE AND BUCHAN COAST Constituencies

1. An election is to be held for a Constituency Member to serve in the Scottish Parliament for the constituencies of:

Aberdeenshire East

Aberdeenshire West

Banffshire and Buchan Coast

2. Nomination papers can be obtained from the websites of:

Aberdeenshire Council – <https://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/elections/scottish-parliament-election-2026/>

The Electoral Commission – <https://electoralcommission.org.uk/guidance-candidates-and-agents-scottish-parliament-elections/>

or by contacting the offices of the Returning Officer:

Tel: 01467 539311

Email: elections@aberdeenshire.gov.uk

3. Nomination papers must be delivered to the Constituency Returning Officer at one of the following addresses, **by prior appointment**, between the hours of 10am and 4pm on any working day after the date of this notice but no later than **4pm on Wednesday 1 April 2026**:

The Faithlie Centre, 1 Saltoun Square, Fraserburgh AB43 9DA

1 Harlaw Road, Inverurie AB51 4TE

Woodhill House, Westburn Road, Aberdeen AB16 5GB

Tel: 01467 539311

Email: elections@aberdeenshire.gov.uk

4. If the election is contested the poll will take place on Thursday 7 May 2026.
5. Applications to register to vote must reach the relevant Electoral Registration Officer by 12 midnight on **Monday 20 April 2026**. Applications can be made online: <https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote>.
6. The £500 deposit should be paid by BACS direct to the bank details below, quoting reference 'SPE 2026':

Aberdeenshire Council General Account
Sort Code 82-60-11
Account 40002003
7. Applications, amendments or cancellation of postal votes must reach the relevant Electoral Registration Officer at the address below by 5pm on Tuesday 21 April 2026.
8. Applications to vote by proxy at this election must reach the relevant Electoral Registration Officer at the address below by 5pm on Tuesday 28 April 2026.

9. Applications to vote by emergency proxy at this election can be made after the 28 April deadline on the grounds of:
- a. disability suffered after that deadline (or, for applicants who suffered a disability before the deadline, their disability meant that they could not reasonably have made an application in time)
 - b. the need to accompany an individual to attend medical care or treatment arising after that deadline
 - c. being detained in a hospital under the civil sections of the Mental Health (Care and Treatment) (Scotland) Act 2003 arising after that deadline
 - d. work/service reasons arising after that deadline
 - e. Scottish prisoners serving a sentence of 12 months or less arising after that deadline
 - f. circumstances that mean the appointed proxy cannot reasonably be expected to vote in person at the polling station arising after that deadline

Applications must reach the relevant Electoral Registration Officer at the address below by 5pm on Thursday 7 May 2026.

Contact details of Electoral Registration Officer(s) in the constituency			
Electoral Registration Officer	Council area covered by the Electoral Registration Officer	Address	Contact details
Mark Adam	Aberdeenshire East Aberdeenshire West Banffshire and Buchan Coast	Woodhill House, Westburn Road, Aberdeen AB16 5GE	ero@grampian-ero.gov.uk 01224 068400 Go to www.voteaberdeenshire.org

Dated: 16 March 2026

Constituency Returning Officer