

EXPLANATORY GUIDE COMMUNITY COUNCIL ELECTIONS 2002

People who are entitled to vote, but who are not on the electoral roll for the Community Council area, e.g. have recently moved house to the area, will be invited to apply to have their names on the Supplementary List of Community Council Electors. The Community Council will prepare this list. Only people with evidence of age and residence will be added on the list, e.g. produce passport, drivers licence, utility bill, etc.

Electors (voters), on entering the polling station, will have their names crossed off the list and will receive a ballot paper listing all nominated candidates.

(The Council's Print Unit, Almada Street, will on request produce ballot papers for Community Council elections and invoice them accordingly. The contact person is John Watt telephone:01698 454530)

The ballot paper will also indicate how many votes each elector may place. *(For example, if there are 6 elected places on the Community Council and there are 8 candidates, the ballot paper should indicate that you may vote for up to 6 candidates)*

The electors will place a cross against the name of their preferred candidates up to the maximum permitted. As soon as he/she has done so, the elector will place the ballot paper in a box provided for that purpose.

Ballot boxes will be available from your local Council Office:

Hamilton	Corporate Resources, Almada Street: Aileen Knudsen: 01698 454263
East Kilbride	Civic Centre: Susan Ritchie:01355 806201
Cambuslang/Rutherglen	Royal Burgh House, King St. Rutherglen Council Officer John Duffy : 0141 613 5203
Clydesdale	South Vennel, Lanark Alan Scott: 01555 673221

The Returning Officer will place in the box all postal votes forwarded to him/her. Once voting has finished, persons selected by the Returning Officer will then count the votes. Usually this will take place in the same location as the polling place and will be open to viewing by anyone concerned.

Candidates receiving the highest number of votes in descending order, up to the total number of places to be filled, will be declared to be elected to serve on the Community Council. Such declaration will be made by the Returning Officer, usually after the count and in an advertisement in the local press.