

Midlothian Council Review of polling districts and polling places 2024

Notice of review

Midlothian Council gives notice that it is carrying out a review of polling districts and polling places. The Returning Officer has made comments and recommendations on the proposed polling places and stations and these are available to view as supplementary information.

The review is made in terms of the Representation of the People Act 1983, as amended by the Electoral Registration and Administration Act 2013.

Electors within the Midlothian Council area may make representations on the local authority's proposals, the Returning Officer's comments, or any other matter.

These will be particularly welcomed from any person or body with expertise in access for persons with any type of disability.

Where possible, persons or bodies making representations should give alternative places that may be used as polling places.

Comments should be made by email to elections@midlothian.gov.uk or by post to the Election Office, Midlothian Council, Midlothian House, Buccleuch Street, Dalkeith, EH22 1DN.

The current and proposed arrangements are available for inspection on the Council's website at <https://www.midlothian.gov.uk/polling-places-review> and also in hard copy at Midlothian House Reception, Dalkeith, Gorebridge Library and Libraries at The Lasswade Centre, Newbattle Community Campus, The Loanhead Centre and The Penicuik Centre, from 27 May 2024.

The timetable for the review is:

- 27 May 2024 – Commencement of Review with existing and proposed arrangements, background papers and ward maps available for inspection
- 8 July 2024 - Public Consultation ends, representations are analysed, report prepared and consultation held with the Returning Officer
- 27 August 2024 - Report considered at Midlothian Council meeting
- December 2024 – Electoral Registration Officer to re-publish Electoral Register to incorporate new scheme of polling districts and polling places, if required.