

EAST AYRSHIRE COUNCIL

EMERGENCY POWERS COMMITTEE - 21 MARCH 2005

WESTMINSTER PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS - ORGANISATION OF POLLING DISTRICTS AND POLLING PLACES

Report by Chief Executive

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1** To present for approval list of polling districts and polling places in respect of the proposed parliamentary constituencies of Kilmarnock and Loudoun and Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock (Part).

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1** The Local Government Etc (Scotland) Act made it a “duty of every Local Authority to divide their area into polling districts for the purpose of Parliamentary Elections for so much of any Constituency as is situated in their area and to designate the polling places for those polling districts”.
- 2.2** From time to time a review of polling districts and polling places is undertaken to ensure these remain adequate and appropriate. Within East Ayrshire, all polling places and stations have disabled access. The last review of polling places was approved by Council at a special meeting on 13 February 2003 (Item 5, Page 3085, 99/03).
- 2.3** The proposed changes are in response to:
- (i) two polling places ceasing to be available (Longpark Community Centre, Innellan Drive, Kilmarnock and Rosebank Old People’s Cabin, Rosebank Place, Kilmarnock); and
 - (ii) a suggestion from the Local Member that the Netherthird Community Centre, Ryderston Avenue, Cumnock would be a suitable polling place instead of Netherthird Primary School.
- 2.4** The review also gave consideration to identifying an alternative site for a mobile polling facility within Moscow, however, following recent discussions with the owner of the site, the use of the site for any forthcoming elections this year has been secured.

3. REVIEW OF POLLING PLACES

- 3.1** Officers have carried out a review of polling places. During the review process, political groups and Members whose Wards contained proposed changes were given the opportunity to comment on the proposals for polling places.

3.2 The appendix details the polling districts and related polling places for the proposed Kilmarnock and Loudoun Parliamentary Constituency and the part of Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock Parliamentary Constituency which lies within East Ayrshire.

4. DISABLED ACCESS

4.1 The polling places suggested for approval all have suitable permanent or temporary access for disabled persons. In respect of the proposed mobile unit at Moscow, the Executive Director of Neighbourhood Services has provided the use of a mobile library which can be fitted out to provide a suitable polling place which will meet the needs of the electorate of Moscow.

4.2 Hillhead Primary School, Kilmaurs Road, Kilmarnock, which will replace Longpark Community Centre and Rosebank Old People's Cabin is an existing polling place and its suitability has been previously confirmed by East Ayrshire North Forum on Disability. In regard to Netherthird Community Centre, whilst having disabled access, the East Ayrshire South Forum on Disability has been consulted on the Council's proposed amendments and has intimated no objections.

5. LEGAL AUTHORITY

5.1 Section 18(3) of the Representation of the People Act 1983, as amended by Section 142(1) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1994, provides the legal authority in respect of this exercise.

6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6.1 The proposed changes will result in a net reduction of two polling places overall in the proposed Kilmarnock and Loudoun Parliamentary Constituency. The net effect in financial terms to the Council will be zero

7. POLICY IMPLICATIONS - Nil.

8. RECOMMENDATION

8.1 To approve the list of polling districts and polling places as detailed within the appendix to this report for the purposes of any Westminster Parliamentary Elections in respect of the proposed Parliamentary Constituencies for Kilmarnock and Loudoun and Ayr, Carrick and Cumnock (Part).

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Chief Executive

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LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

1. Register of Electors for the Parliamentary Constituency of Carrick, Cumnock and Doon Valley (Part).
2. Register of Electors for the Parliamentary Constituency of Kilmarnock and Loudoun.

Any person wishing to inspect the background papers or wishing further information on this report should contact Bill Walkinshaw, Administration Manager on 01563 576135.

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APPENDIX

FOR THE WESTMINSTER PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS

**LIST OF POLLING DISTRICTS AND POLLING PLACES FOR THE PROPOSED
KILMARNOCK AND LOUDOUN PARLIAMENTARY CONSTITUENCY**

POLLING DISTRICT	WARD	POLLING PLACES
KL01 - Dunlop District (Whole District)	1	Dunlop Public Hall, Main Street, Dunlop
KL02 - Bowes Rigg & Stewarton Landward (Whole District)	1	Nether Robertland Primary School, Pokelly Place, Stewarton
KL03 - Nether Robertland (Whole District)	1	Nether Robertland Primary School, Pokelly Place, Stewarton
KL04 - Rigghead and Cocklebie (Whole District)	2	Lainshaw Primary School, Kilwinning Road, Stewarton
KL05 - East Central Stewarton (Whole District)	2	John Knox Church Hall, Main Street, Stewarton
KL06 - Lainshaw (Whole District)	2	Lainshaw Primary School, Kilwinning Road, Stewarton
KL07 - South Landward Stewarton (Whole District)	3	Stewarton Annick Community Centre, Standalane, Stewarton
KL08 - Kilmaurs District (Whole District)	3	Kilmaurs Primary School, Sunnyside, Kilmaurs
KL09 - Fenwick & Waterside District (Whole District)	4	John Fulton Hall, Fenwick
KL10 - North Kilmarnock District (Whole District)	4	St John's Parish Church Main Hall, Wardneuk Drive, Kilmarnock
KL11 - Wardneuk	4	St John's Parish Church Main Hall, Wardneuk Drive, Kilmarnock
KL12 - Knockentiber District	5	Knockentiber Playbarn, Knockentiber

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KL13 - Crosshouse District (Whole District)	5	Crosshouse Primary School, Playingfield Road, Crosshouse
KL14 - Gatehead District (Whole District)	5	Gatehead Village Hall, Fairlie View, Gatehead
KL15 - Knockinlaw (Part) & Altonhill District (Whole District)	6	Hillhead Primary School, Kilmaurs Road, Kilmarnock
KL16 - Altonhill, Hillhead & Longpark (Whole District)	6	Hillhead Primary School, Kilmaurs Road, Kilmarnock
KL17 - Longpark (Part) & Hillhead District (Whole District)	6	Hillhead Primary School, Kilmaurs Road, Kilmarnock
KL18 - Knockinlaw (Party) & Onthank District (Whole District)	7	Onthank Community Education Centre, Kirkton Road, Kilmarnock
KL19 - Craufurdland District (Whole District)	7	Onthank Community Education Centre, Kirkton Road, Kilmarnock
KL20 - Bonnyton District (Whole District)	8	Bonnyton Community Centre, Garrier Place, Kilmarnock
KL21 - Witchhill District (Whole District)	8	St Joseph's Church Hall, Hill Street, Kilmarnock
KL22 - Central West District (Whole District)	8	Woodstock School, North Hamilton Street, Kilmarnock
KL23 - Central East (Party) District (Whole District)	9	Woodstock School, North Hamilton Street, Kilmarnock
KL24 - Loanhead District (Whole District)	9	Loanhead Primary School, Dick Road, Kilmarnock
KL25 - Piersland Park District (Whole District)	9	Loanhead Primary School, Dick Road, Kilmarnock
KL26 - Wellpark District (Whole District)	9	St Matthews Primary School, Macdonald Drive, Kilmarnock
KL27 - Beansburn & Dean District (Whole District)	10	St Joseph's Church Hall, Hill Street, Kilmarnock

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KL28 - South Dean District (Whole District)	10	Silverwood Primary School, Kennedy Drive, Kilmarnock
KL29 - North New Farm Loch District (Whole District)	10	Silverwood Primary School, Kennedy Drive, Kilmarnock
KL30 - Kay Park (Part) & South New Farm District (Whole District)	11	New Farm Loch Community Centre, 2A Fraser Walk, Kilmarnock
KL31 - Kilmarnock North East & Moscow District (Whole District)	12	Mobile Polling Unit, Moscow
KL32 - Galston West & Landward North District (Whole District)	12	St Sophia's Primary School, Galston
KL33 - Crookedholm District (Whole District)	12	Crookedholm Community Centre, Grougar Road, Crookedholm
KL34 - Hurlford North District (Whole District)	12	Hurlford Community Centre, Cessnock Road, Hurlford
KL35 - Newmilns West & Landward North District (Whole District)	13	Newmilns Primary School, Galston Road, Newmilns
KL36 - Gowanbank & Darvel North Landward District (Whole District)	13	Morton Hall, Main Street, Newmilns
KL37 - Newmilns East & Foulpapple (Part) District (Whole District)	13	Morton Hall, Main Street, Newmilns
KL38 - Grange District (Whole District)	14	Annanhill Primary School, Grange Terrace, Kilmarnock
KL39 - Rugby Park District (Whole District)	14	Winton Place EU Church Hall, Dundonald Road, Kilmarnock
KL40 - Gargieston District (Whole District)	14	Gargieston Primary School, Dundonald Road, Kilmarnock
KL41 - Central South (Party) & Holmes Village (Whole District)	15	Winton Place EU Church Hall, Dundonald Road, Kilmarnock
KL42 - Glencairn & Queens Drive District (Whole District)	15	Loanhead Primary School, Dick Road, Kilmarnock

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KL43 - Scott Ellis District (Whole District)	15	Loanhead Primary School, Dick Road, Kilmarnock
KL44 - Riccarton & Caprington District (Whole District)	16	Riccarton Nursery, Campbell Street, Kilmarnock
KL45 - Bellfield West District (Whole District)	16	Bellfield Community Centre, Whatriggs Road, Kilmarnock
KL46 - Shortlees (Whole District)	17	Shortlees Primary School, Knockmarloch Drive, Kilmarnock
KL47 - Kirkstyle District (Whole District)	18	Kirkstyle Primary School, Carron Avenue, Kilmarnock
KL48 - Bellfield East District (Whole District)	18	Bellfield Community Centre, Whatriggs Road, Kilmarnock
KL49 - Hurlford (Whole District)	19	Hurlford Community Centre, Cessnock Road, Hurlford
KL50 - Galston East (Whole District)	20	Galston Primary School, Glebe Road, Galston
KL51 - Galston East (Whole District)	20	Galston Primary School, Glebe Road, Galston
KL52 - Darvel (Whole District)	21	Darvel Town Hall, West Main Street, Darvel
KL53 - Kay Park District (Whole District)	9	St Joseph's Church Hall, Hill Street, Kilmarnock
DV01 - Mauchline (Whole District)	22	Mauchline Primary School, Loan, Mauchline
DV02 - Sorn District (Whole District)	23	Sorn Primary School, Main Street, Sorn
DV03 - East Mauchline & Ballochmyle District (Whole District)	23	Mauchline Primary School, Loan, Mauchline
DV04 - Catrine District (Whole District)	23	Catrine Nursery School, Newton Street, Catrine

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DV05 - Muirkirk District (Whole District)	24	Muirkirk Primary School, Burns Avenue, Muirkirk
DV06 - Lugar District (Whole District)	24	Logan Primary School, Logangate Terrace, Logan
DV07 - Logan District (Whole District)	24	Logan Primary School, Logangate Terrace, Logan
DV13 - Auchinleck (Whole District)	27	Auchinleck Community Centre, Well Road, Auchinleck

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POLLING DISTRICT	WARD	POLLING PLACES
DV08 - Stair District (Whole District)	25	Stair Community Centre, Stair
DC09 - Drongan District (Whole District)	25	Drongan Community Centre, Milmannoch Avenue, Drongan
DC10 - Rankinston District (Whole District)	25	Rankinston Community Centre, Rankinston
DV11 - Ochiltree and Skares District (Whole District)	26	Ochiltree Community Centre, Main Street, Ochiltree
DV12 - Netherthird and Craigens District (Whole District)	26	Netherthird Community Centre, Ryderston Avenue, Cumnock
DV14 - Cumnock West (Whole District)	28	Greenmill Primary School, Barrhill Road, Cumnock
DV15 - Cumnock East Ayrshire Council (Whole District)	29	Greenmill Primary School, Barrhill Road, Cumnock
DV16 - Dalrymple & Hollybush District (Whole District)	30	Dalrymple Day Care Centre, Seath Drive, Dalrymple
DV17 - Patna District (Whole District)	30	Patna Community Centre, Doonside Avenue, Patna
DV18 - Dalmellington & Waterside District (Whole District)	31	Dalmellington Community Centre, Ayr Road, Dalmellington
DV19 - Bellsbank District (Whole District)	31	Bellsbank Primary School, Craiglea Crescent, Dalmellington
DV20 - New Cumnock (Whole District)	32	Castle Primary School, The Castle, New Cumnock

POLLING DISTRICT	WARD	POLLING PLACES
DV21 - New Cumnock (Whole District)	32	Cairnhill Primary School, Lanehead Terrace, New Cumnock

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