**NOTICE OF ELECTION**

**PARLIAMENTARY ELECTION FOR THE GILLINGHAM AND RAINHAM CONSTITUENCY**

1. An election is to be held of a Member to serve in Parliament for the constituency.
2. Nomination papers are to be delivered by hand to the Deputy Acting Returning Officer, Jane Ringham, in the Electoral Services team, Gun Wharf, Dock Road, Chatham, ME4 4TR between 10am and 4pm on any working day after the date of this notice, (excluding bank holidays) but not later than **4pm on Friday 7 June 2024.**
3. The required deposit of £500 may be made using any legal tender or by means of a banker’s draft from a drawer which carries on business as a banker in the United Kingdom, made payable to Medway Council.
4. Nomination papers may be obtained from the Electoral Services team, Gun Wharf, Dock Road, Chatham (01634 332864) or from the Council’s website (www.medway.gov.uk). The Acting Returning Officer, or his staff will, at the request of any elector, prepare a nomination paper for signature.
5. If the election is contested, the poll will take place on **Thursday 4 July 2024.**
6. Voters will have to show photo ID to vote in the elections on 4 July. If you do not have one of the acceptable forms of photo ID you can [apply for a Voter Authority Certificate from GOV.UK](http://www.gov.uk/votingphotoid)
7. Please note the following provisions in respect of registration and absent voting applications, all of which must be addressed to the Electoral Registration Officer at Gun Wharf, Dock Road, Chatham, ME4 4TR:

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| **Application** | **Statutory deadline for receipt** |
| New applications to register to vote | Tuesday 18 June |
| New applications for a postal vote and to amend or cancel existing postal or proxy vote arrangements | 5pm on Wednesday 19 June |
| New applications for a Voter Authority Certificate | 5pm on Wednesday 26 June |
| New applications to vote by proxy | 5pm on Wednesday 26 June |
| New applications to vote by emergency proxy on the grounds of physical incapacity or for work/service reasons, which must have occurred after 5pm on Wednesday 26 June | 5pm on Thursday 4 July |

**Richard Hicks**

**Acting Returning Officer**

**31 May 2024**