

Notice of Election

European Parliamentary Election

North East Electoral Region

1. I, Patrick Melia, the Regional Returning Officer for the North East electoral region, give notice that an election is to be held for **THREE** members of the European Parliament. If the election is contested, the poll will be held on **Thursday 23 May 2019**.
2. Nomination papers must be delivered to the Regional Returning Officer, Electoral Services, Room 3.17, Sunderland City Council, Civic Centre, Sunderland SR2 7DN between the hours of **10am and 4pm, Monday to Friday (excluding Bank Holidays)** from the day after the date of this notice but no later than **4pm on Thursday 25 April 2019**.
3. Nomination papers may be obtained from the offices of the Regional Returning Officer at Electoral Services, Room 3.17, Sunderland City Council, Civic Centre, Sunderland SR2 7DN during the times stated above.
4. The deposit for each registered political party or individual candidate (£5,000.00) can be paid by cash or bankers draft (banks operating in the UK or Gibraltar only) and, with my prior permission, by electronic bank transfer (which may be subject to transaction fees). This should be deposited with the Regional Returning Officer at the place and during the time for the delivery of nomination papers.
5. Applications to be included in the register of electors or for postal or proxy voting at this election must be made to the appropriate Electoral Registration Officer for the applicant's area. Further information can be found on the **List of Local Authorities** and at www.yourvotematters.co.uk
 - Applications to be included in the register of electors must reach the relevant Electoral Registration Officer by **Midnight on Tuesday 7 May 2019**.
 - New applications to vote by post and requests to change or cancel an existing postal vote or proxy appointment must reach the relevant Electoral Registration Officer by **5pm on Wednesday 8 May 2019**.
 - Applications to appoint a proxy must reach the relevant Electoral Registration Officer by **5pm on Wednesday 15 May 2019**.
 - Applications to vote by emergency proxy on the grounds of physical incapacity or for work/service reasons must reach the relevant Electoral Registration Officer by **5pm on Thursday 23 May 2019**. The physical incapacity must have occurred after 5pm on Wednesday 15 May 2019. To apply on the grounds of work/service, the person must have become aware that they cannot go to the polling station in person after 5pm on Wednesday 15 May 2019.

Dated: Monday 15 April 2019

Patrick Melia
Regional Returning Officer