## **NOTICE OF ELECTION**

## Election of a Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner for Essex Police Area

- 1. An election is to be held for a Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner for the Essex Police Area.
- 2. Forms of nomination may be obtained from the office of the Police Area Returning Officer, Colchester Town Hall, High Street, Colchester, CO1 1PJ, during the times stated below.
- 3. Nomination papers must be delivered to the Police Area Returning Officer at Colchester Town Hall, High Street, Colchester, CO1 1PJ on any working day after the date of this notice, on Monday to Friday between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. (excluding bank holidays) but no later than 4 p.m. on Friday 5 April 2024.
- 4. A deposit of £5,000 must be paid for each candidate by either legal tender, electronic bank transfer or banker's draft from a bank which carries on business in the United Kingdom.
- 5. If the election is contested the poll will take place on Thursday, 2 May 2024 between the hours of 7 a.m. and 10 p.m.
- 6. The last day to submit an application to be included on the electoral register to be used at this election is midnight on Tuesday 16 April 2024. Applications can also be made online <a href="https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote">www.gov.uk/register-to-vote</a>. For electors voting in polling stations there is a legal requirement to take a prescribed form of photographic identification to vote. A full list of the prescribed forms of photographic identification is available on the relevant local authority website. For those who require a Voter Authority Certificate or an Anonymous Elector Document to meet the requirement for photographic identification, applications can be made at <a href="https://www.voter-authority-certificate.service.gov.uk/">www.voter-authority-certificate.service.gov.uk/</a>.
- 7. Applications, amendments or cancellations of postal votes and amendments or cancellations of proxy votes must reach the Electoral Registration Officer for the relevant electoral area (i.e. the local authority area) where the elector is registered to vote by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, 17 April 2024.
- 8. New applications to vote by proxy at this election must reach the Electoral Registration Officer for the relevant electoral area (i.e. the local authority area) where the elector is registered to vote by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, 24 April 2024.
- 9. Applications to vote by emergency proxy at this election applied for on grounds of a medical emergency (occurring after 5.00 p.m. on Wednesday, 24 April 2024), because of work/service reasons (occurring after 5.00 p.m. on Wednesday, 24 April 2024) or the form of acceptable photographic identification that you were intending to use to vote has been lost, stolen, damaged or destroyed, or has not yet been received if applied for recently must reach the Electoral Registration Officer at the address for the relevant electoral area (i.e. the local authority area) by 5.00 p.m. on Thursday, 2 May 2024.
- 10. For the purposes of paragraphs 6, 7, 8 and 9 above, the address of the Electoral Registration Officer for electors and residents of Southend-on-Sea is Southend-on-Sea City Council, Civic Centre, Victoria Avenue, Southend-on-Sea, Essex, SS1 9SB.

Dated: Friday 22 March 2024 Pamela Donnelly
Police Area Returning Officer