

REPORT TO: East Lothian Council

MEETING DATE: 25 October 2022

BY: Executive Director for Council Resources

SUBJECT: Amendment to East Lothian Council's Polling Place Scheme

1 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To seek Council support to formally amend East Lothian Council's Polling Place Scheme in respect of EL3A polling district.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 Members are asked to approve the permanent amendment to the polling scheme for the East Lothian Constituency for polling district EL3A.

3 BACKGROUND

- 3.1 As a result of Tranent Town Hall currently being leased to The Bronx Boxing Club and no longer available for use as a polling place, a new polling place must be found to serve the electorate in this polling district.
- 3.2 It is proposed that the Fraser Centre, Tranent be used as the permanent polling place. The property is in the same area of Tranent and has good facilities and voter access.
- 3.3 Local Councillors have been advised in relation to the proposal and none expressed any reservation.

4 POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 4.1 There are no direct policy obligations associated with this report.

5 INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 5.1 The subject of this report does not affect the wellbeing of the community or have a significant impact on equality, the environment or economy.

6 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Financial - None
6.2 Personnel - None
6.3 Other - None

7 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 7.1 The existing Polling Scheme was approved at Council meeting on 11 December 2018 following the Statutory Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places.
- 7.2 Appendix 1 – Tranent street map showing current and proposed polling place.

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Appendix 1 – Tranent Street Map

