

BEDFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL

**NOTICE OF ELECTION**

**ELECTION OF PARISH COUNCILLORS  
FOR THE PARISHES LISTED BELOW**

1. An election is to be held for the Councillors of the Parishes and Parish wards listed below:

Ward	Number of Parish Councillors to be elected	Ward	Number of Parish Councillors to be elected
Biddenham	9	Little Staughton	7
Bletsoe	7	Melchbourne and Yelden (Melchbourne ward)	4
Bolnhurst and Keysoe (Bolnhurst ward)	2	Melchbourne and Yelden (Yelden ward)	4
Bolnhurst and Keysoe (Keysoe ward)	5	Milton Ernest	7
Brickhill (East ward)	4	Oakley	11
Brickhill (North ward)	4	Odell	7
Brickhill (South ward)	2	Pavenham	7
Brickhill (West ward)	3	Pertenhall and Swineshead (Pertenhall ward)	4
Brickhill (Woodlands Park ward)	2	Pertenhall and Swineshead (Swineshead ward)	3
Bromham	14	Podington	9
Cardington	7	Ravensden	7
Carlton and Chellington	9	Renhold (North ward)	5
Clapham	15	Renhold (South West ward)	2
Colmworth	7	Renhold (The Spires ward)	2
Cople	7	Riseley	9
Cotton End	7	Roxton	7
Dean and Shelton (Lower Dean Ward)	2	Sharnbrook	13
Dean and Shelton (Upper Dean ward)	4	Shortstown	12
Dean and Shelton (Shelton ward)	1	Stagsden	7
Elstow (Progress Way ward)	3	Staploe	7
Elstow (Village ward)	6	Stevington	7
Felmersham and Radwell	7	Stewartby (Hardwick ward)	1
Great Barford	11	Stewartby (Village ward)	11
Great Denham	9	Thurleigh	7
Harrold	13	Turvey	9
Kempston Rural (The Ends ward)	3	Wilden	7
Kempston Rural (Wilkinson ward)	6	Wixams	15
Kempston Town Council (Central and East ward)	5	Wootton	15
Kempston Town Council (North ward)	3	Wilstead	11
Kempston Town Council (South ward)	2	Wyboston, Chawston and Colesden	7
Kempston Town Council (West ward)	2	Wymington	9

- Forms of nomination paper are available from the Returning Officer, Borough Hall, Cauldwell Street, Bedford, MK42 9AP, who will at the request of any elector for the said electoral area, prepare for signature a nomination paper.
- Completed nomination papers **must** be delivered by hand to the Returning Officer, Borough Hall, Cauldwell Street, Bedford, MK42 9AP, on any normal working day from the date of this notice, but not later than 4.00pm on 4 April 2023 during office hours. The Electoral Services Office is open from 9.00am – 5.00pm (Monday-Thursday) and 9.00am – 4.30pm (Fridays).
- If the election is contested, the poll will take place on the 4 May 2023 between the hours of 7am and 10pm.
- Applications to register to vote must reach the Electoral Registration Officer at Borough Hall, Cauldwell Street, Bedford MK42 9AP by 11.59pm on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023 to be effective for this election. Applications can be made online: [www.gov.uk/register-to-vote](http://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote)
- New applications to vote by post and requests to cancel or change an existing postal or proxy vote must reach the Electoral Registration Officer at Borough Hall, Cauldwell Street, Bedford, MK42 9AP by 5.00pm on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023, if they are to be effective for this election.
- New applications to vote by proxy except on the grounds of a medical or work emergency must reach the Electoral Registration Officer at Borough Hall, Cauldwell Street, Bedford, MK42 9AP, by 5.00pm on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2023 if they are to be effective for this election.
- Applications for a Voter Authority Certificate or an Anonymous Elector's Document valid for this election must reach the Electoral Registration Officer by 5pm on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2023. Applications for a Voter Authority Certificate can be made online: <https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/i-am-a-voter/voter-id/applying-a-voter-authority-certificate>
- Applications to vote by proxy on the grounds of a medical or work emergency must reach the Electoral Registration Officer at Borough Hall, Cauldwell Street, Bedford, MK42 9AP by 5.00pm on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2023 if they are to be effective for this election.
- All forms are available via <https://www.bedford.gov.uk/your-council/elections-and-voting/local-elections-4-may-2023>, The Returning Officer/Electoral Registration Officer, by e-mail to [elections@bedford.gov.uk](mailto:elections@bedford.gov.uk) or by telephone on (01234) 718078.

Dated: Monday 20 March 2023

**Laura Church**  
Returning Officer