

Edinburgh people urged to register to vote in May



There was a big push last year ahead of September's independence referendum to get people to register to vote, but once more Edinburgh residents are urged to think about their right to vote, with 100 days until the 2015 General Election. People across the capital are being reminded that they will be voting for MPs to represent them at Westminster on Thursday 7 May 2015 when the general election takes place.

More than 84% of the city's residents voted in the Scottish Independence Referendum in September, which attracted a record-breaking turnout across the country.

While most people who registered to vote in time for the referendum will remain eligible to participate in the UK Parliamentary Election in May, first time voters or anyone who has since moved will need to register again.

Sue Bruce, Chief Executive of City of Edinburgh Council and Returning Officer for Edinburgh, said: "It was incredible to see Edinburgh's huge turnout in the Scottish Independence Referendum and we would like to continue this enthusiasm in the general election.

"No doubt the majority of people who took part in September will be keen to cast their vote in May. Voting should not be a once in a lifetime activity – elections are opportunities to have a say on issues that matter to us all. Anyone who is keen to register or is unsure about how to register, where to vote or how to vote by post can find more information on the Council website."

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