## **Dale Robb**

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**Attachments:** 

Falkirk Council's Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places 2018/20

Notice for libraries and Municipal Buildings 091118.doc; Consultation document

2018-20.docx; Polling scheme 2017.doc; List of current polling places 2017.doc

Dear please find attached the Notice and consultation documents for the above statutory Review, which is now underway. These materials, along with an online survey and maps of each Ward/polling district, are published on the consultation page of the Falkirk Council website:

Review of Polling Districts and Polling Places 2018/20 - Falkirk Council - Citizen Space

It is essential that all electors have suitable facilities for voting purposes and that, as far as is practicable and reasonable, polling places are accessible to all electors, including those with a disability. Given your involvement in working with people with disabilities, I would invite you to submit any comments you have on the current polling districts and polling places in the Council area, particularly in the context of their accessibility. The current list of polling places and the polling scheme are enclosed for ease of reference. Ward maps can be provided on request.

The consultation document attached contains the timetable for the Review and outlines the Review process. The consultation is divided into two stages. Stage one runs until Friday 21 December; stage two runs from w/c 14 January until Friday 15 March. The report concluding the process will be submitted to the meeting of Falkirk Council on 8 May 2019, with the outcome published on the Council website thereafter.

Representations are being invited from all elected Members, MPs and MSPs, Community Councils and various others as noted in the consultation document, as well as relevant Officers within the Council. Organisations with expertise in access for people with any type of disability form a statutory part of the consultation process.

The Returning Officer will be contacted separately as his submission on the current polling districts and polling places forms a statutory part of the Review process. The RO's submission, together with draft proposals for change, forms the second part of the consultation process, starting w/c 14 January as noted above.

I trust this is of interest to you. Let me know if you need any further information in the meantime.

Many thanks.

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