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## TEACHER ELECTIONS 2019

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Dear Sir/Madam

### GENERAL TEACHING COUNCIL FOR NORTHERN IRELAND - TEACHER ELECTIONS

Thank you for your enquiry about standing as a candidate in the forthcoming election of teacher representatives to the General Teaching Council for Northern Ireland (GTCNI).

I now have pleasure in enclosing:

- Nomination Paper;
- Leaflet: Serving on the GTCNI – Guidance for Prospective Elected Teacher Representatives;
- The Scheme for the Election of Teachers to the General Teaching Council for Northern Ireland; and
- Election Timetable (Appendix I).

If any document is missing you should contact either: the Electoral Reform Services (020 8889 9203) email: customerservices@electoralreform.co.uk or The General Teaching Council for Northern Ireland (028 9033 3390) email: registration@gtcni.org.uk

Please read the nomination documents carefully and, in particular, ensure that you have the required level of recent teaching service.

A candidate must not be disqualified by Regulation 4 of the Constitution Regulations (see Annex to Scheme of Elections) but must:

- a) have been employed as a teacher at the date of his/her election (14 October 2019) or have been so employed within one year preceding that date; and



b) have been employed as a teacher for an aggregate period of two years or more in the five years preceding that date.

A candidate can only be nominated to stand in the election category determined by regulation 20 of the Scheme.

Also, please note:

c) **your proposer, seconder and five attestors must all be included in the electoral roll and be in the same election category as the nominee. Any person acting as a proposer, a seconder or an attestor of a candidate shall not act in any of these capacities for more than one nomination.**

The elections are conducted within the legally defined regulations, which cannot be set aside. Thus any omissions or non-compliance with the nomination procedure may render your Nomination Paper invalid. Providing false or fraudulent information will result in expulsion from the electoral process.

If you wish to proceed with your nomination your completed Nomination Paper must be returned to: **The Returning Officer, Electoral Reform Services, The Election Centre, 33 Clarendon Road, London, N8 0NW** to be received no later than **5pm 28 June 2019**. If desired, the Nomination Paper may be accompanied by a passport-size photograph and a statement of not more than 100 words.

For further advice on the functions and role of the GTCNI please telephone: **Mr Gerry Devlin, Senior Education Officer, 028 9033 3390**; while further requests for information on the election process and nomination procedures can be made to the **Returning Officer at Electoral Reform Services, The Election Centre, 33 Clarendon Road, London, N8 0NW (020 8889 9203)**.

This is an opportunity which arises every four years to represent your teaching colleagues on a professional body speaking for the entire profession, seeking to raise the status of teaching and working to maintain its high standards. If you decide to stand for election I wish you well.

Elected representatives will serve a four-year term from 15 October 2019.

Yours faithfully

Electoral Reform Services  
***Independent Scrutineer***

