The Electoral Commission

Dear Candidate and Agent

Candidate spending and donations at Local Government elections on 2 May 2019

Candidates and their agents at a Local Government elections must follow certain rules about: how much they spend campaigning, who they accept donations from and what they must report after the election.

The Electoral Commission issues guidance on these rules.

Our guidance includes information on:

- how much you can spend, the activities covered by the rules and what information needs to be recorded
- the rules on donations, how to check if you can accept them and what records you must keep,
- how to report your campaign spending <u>and</u> donations after the election.

You can view our guidance <u>here</u>. You should read the guidance, so that you are aware of the rules and comply with your legal and regulatory obligations. The guidance reflects the current rules.

Yours sincerely

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Full link to guidance: <u>https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/i-am-a/candidate-or-agent/local-government-elections-in-northern-ireland</u>

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