

# Purbeck District Council May 2014 Report

## Elections May 22nd

The election on Thursday May 22<sup>nd</sup> will have three separate ballot papers. The first will be for the European election; the second is for the District Council election (if there is more than one candidate); and the third is for the Parish Council election (if there are more than eleven candidates). The polling stations will be in their normal place (Drax Hall, Bloxworth Village Club and Briantspuddle Village hall) and this will be indicated on the polling card you should receive.

If you do not have a vote you have until 7<sup>th</sup> May to register. If you want a postal vote you also have until May 7<sup>th</sup> to apply. If you require a proxy vote (someone else voting on your behalf) you have until 14<sup>th</sup> May although this is extended up to the 22<sup>nd</sup> May if you can demonstrate a compelling medical reason (but I am not an expert on this!). If you have any questions on this I suggest you ring the electoral Officer at Purbeck District Council 01929 557219.

The count will be held at the Purbeck School and the European ballot papers will be verified there before being sent on to the central count. All other ballot papers will be verified and counted on the night and the results will be announced sometime in the small hours of Friday. Attendance at the count is limited so please ask someone who has been nominated to register you and you will then be able to smell the aroma of democracy at first hand. On the other hand you may want to have good nights sleep!

The European count will start at 5.00 pm on Sunday, when the last polling booth in Italy closes!

## Surgery

Surgeries are held on the first Saturday of every month. These are held at the communal Lounge in Turberville Court in Bere Regis from 09.30 a.m. to 10.00 a.m. If you have any questions or queries related to the business of Purbeck District Council please come along. If anyone wants to contact me and cannot get to the surgery my email address is peterwharf@hotmail.com.

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