

## SCHEDULE 5

### Free delivery of election addresses

6.—(1) The order in which the candidates' election addresses appear in the election booklet shall be determined by lot drawn by the combined authority returning officer as soon as reasonably practicable after the last time for the delivery of nomination papers for the election.

(2) The election booklet may include, in addition to candidates' election addresses, a statement by the combined authority returning officer—

- (a) explaining the nature and purpose of the election booklet,
- (b) listing in alphabetical order, the names of all the candidates at the election (whether or not their election addresses are included in the booklet), and
- (c) giving the date of the election and such other information about it as the combined authority returning officer may determine.

(3) The election booklet must—

- (a) contain a statement that it has been published by the combined authority returning officer, and
- (b) give the name and address of the combined authority returning officer and those of the printer of the booklet.

(4) Subject to sub-paragraphs (1) to (3), the form of the election booklet shall be determined by the combined authority returning officer.

(5) The election agent of each candidate whose election address has been accepted by the combined authority returning officer for inclusion in the booklet shall be given an opportunity to attend at a time and place notified to him by the combined authority returning officer in order to check, and submit to the combined authority returning officer typographical corrections to, the proof of the candidate's address.

(6) If the election agent of any such candidate fails to avail themselves of that opportunity, the combined authority returning officer may—

- (a) make such typographical corrections to the proof as appear to him or her to be appropriate, and
- (b) proceed with the printing and distribution of the election booklet without further reference to the candidate or his or her election agent (and without incurring any liability for any errors in the candidate's address).

(7) No person other than—

- (a) the candidate on whose behalf an election address included in the election booklet was prepared, or
- (b) the candidate's election agent,

shall incur any civil or criminal liability in respect of the publication of that address in the election booklet or its dissemination in accordance with paragraph 7.