

SCHEDULE 2

Election procedure

Part 1 –

General

22.—(1) If a candidate withdraws their nomination, or notification of their death is received by the chief executive, after the last day for receiving nominations but before voting papers have been circulated, the procedure to be adopted is as follows—

- (i) if two or more candidates remain, the election is to proceed in all respects as if the candidate had never been nominated;
- (ii) if one candidate only remains, that candidate is to be declared elected.

(2) If a candidate withdraws their nomination, or notification of their death is received by the chief executive, after voting papers have been circulated but before the election date, the procedure to be adopted is as follows—

- (i) if two or more candidates remain, the election is to continue;
- (ii) if one candidate remains, the voting papers are to be disregarded and that candidate is to be declared elected.

(3) Subject to sub-paragraph (4), where in any election two or more candidates are to be elected, the procedures shall be followed with the necessary adaptations to achieve the corresponding result.

(4) Where the circumstances of sub-paragraph (1) or (2) arise in the case of an election of both a regional representative and a deputy regional representative—

- (a) if two or more candidates remain, the election is to proceed in all respects as if the candidate (whose nomination is withdrawn or whose death is notified to the chief executive) had never been nominated;
- (b) if one candidate only remains, that candidate is to be declared elected as the regional representative.