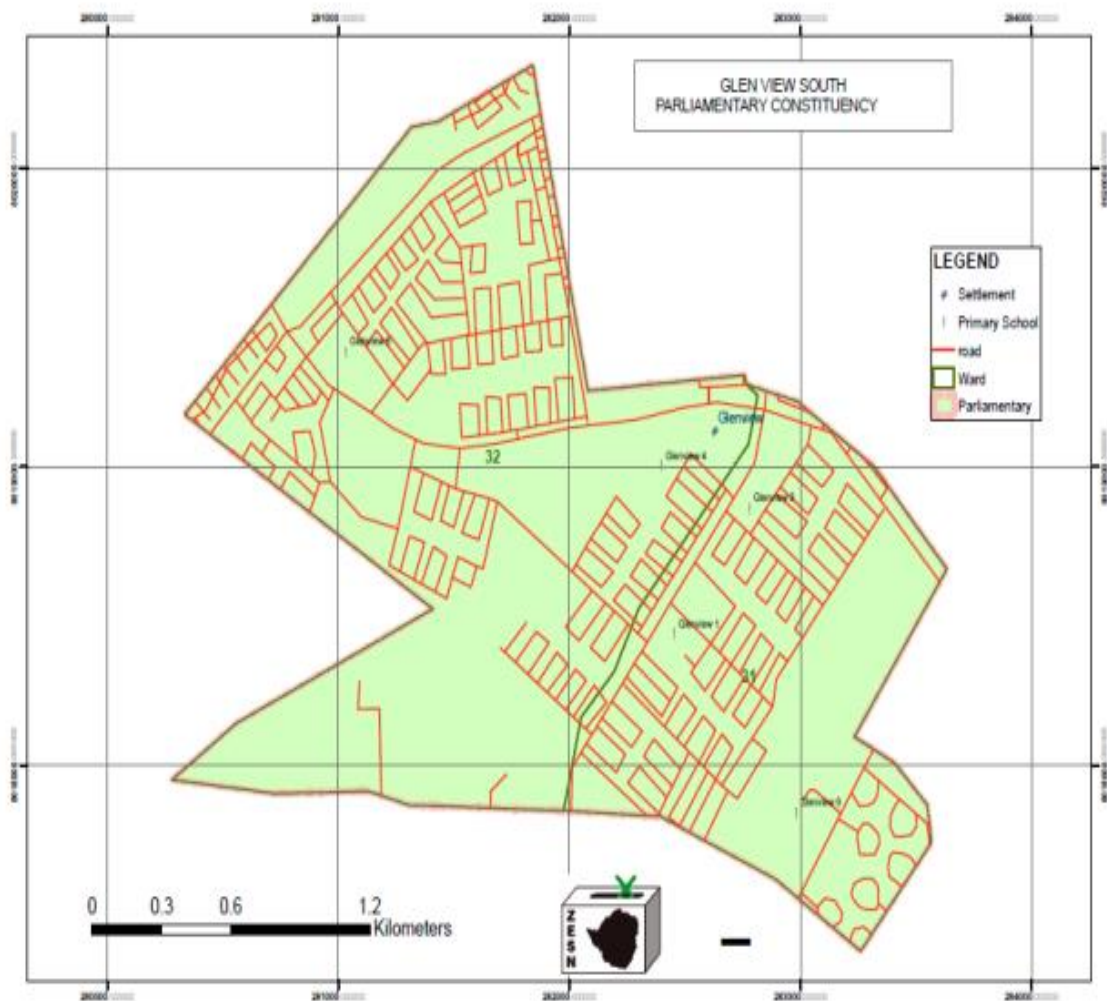


ZIMBABWE ELECTION SUPPORT NETWORK



Constituency Profile

Glen View South By-election



1. Introduction

The Zimbabwe Electoral Commission (ZEC) will conduct a by-election in Glen View South Constituency on 7 September 2019. Glen View South Constituency is found in the South Western part of Harare Metropolitan city and it shares boundaries with Budiro and Glen Norah constituencies.¹ The constituency is made up of Wards 31 and 32 of the Harare Municipality. The main source of livelihood for the people of Glen View South is vocational entrepreneurship, small scale entrepreneurship and vending.

2. Population Demographics

As of 2012, Wards 31 and 32 of Harare Province which make up Glen View South Constituency had a total population of 60185 people (22975 and 37210 respectively).² Women were in the majority in both Wards.

3. Previous Election Results

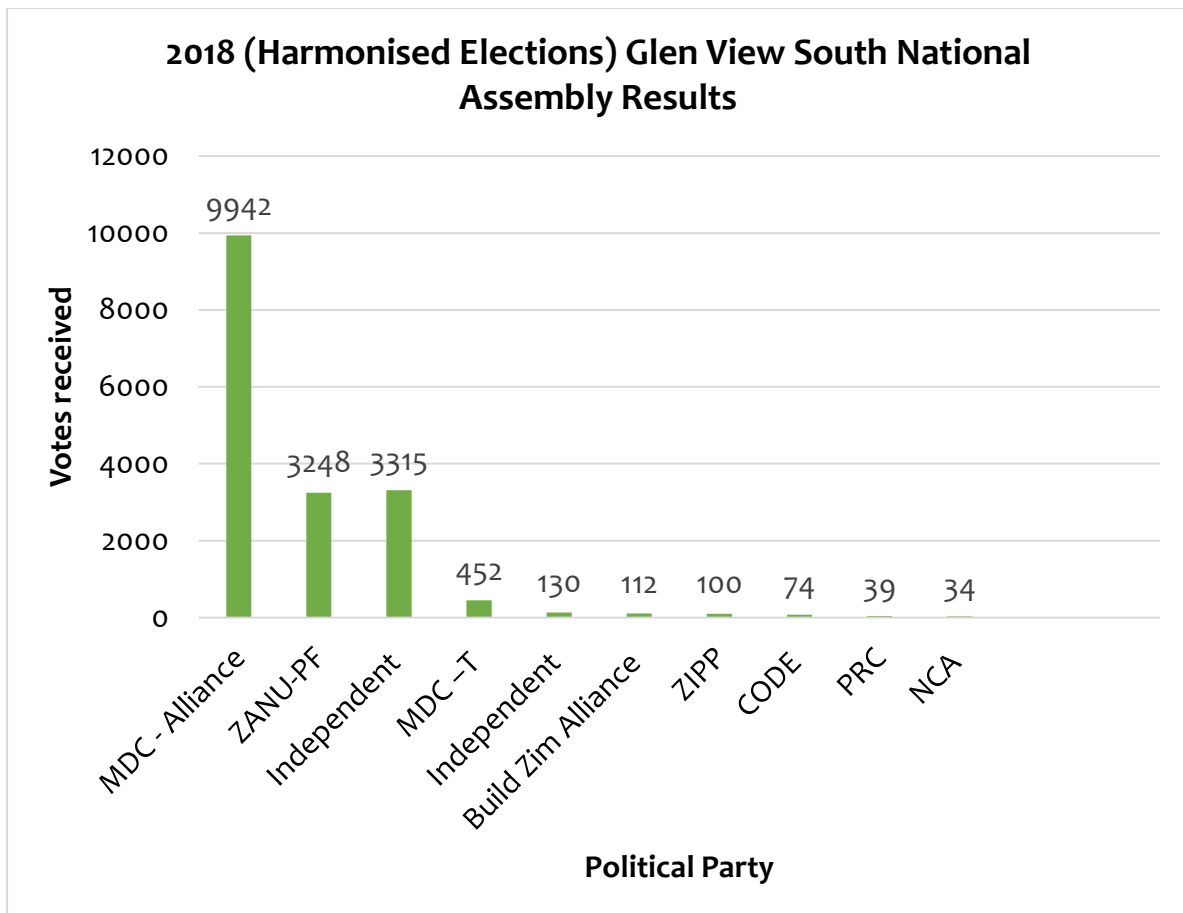
Glen View South Constituency has been an MDC strong hold since 2005.³ In the 2018 harmonised elections, Vimbai Tsvangirayi Java of the MDC Alliance won the National Assembly seat with 9942 votes. Second leading was the ZANU-PF candidate, Chipango Dumisani, who got 3248 votes, followed by an independent candidate, Hakata Grandmore, who garnered 3315 votes. Graphs 1, 2, and 3 below show the results for Glen View South Constituency in the 2018, 2013, and 2008 harmonised elections.

¹ <https://www.zesn.org.zw/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/GlenViewSouth.pdf>

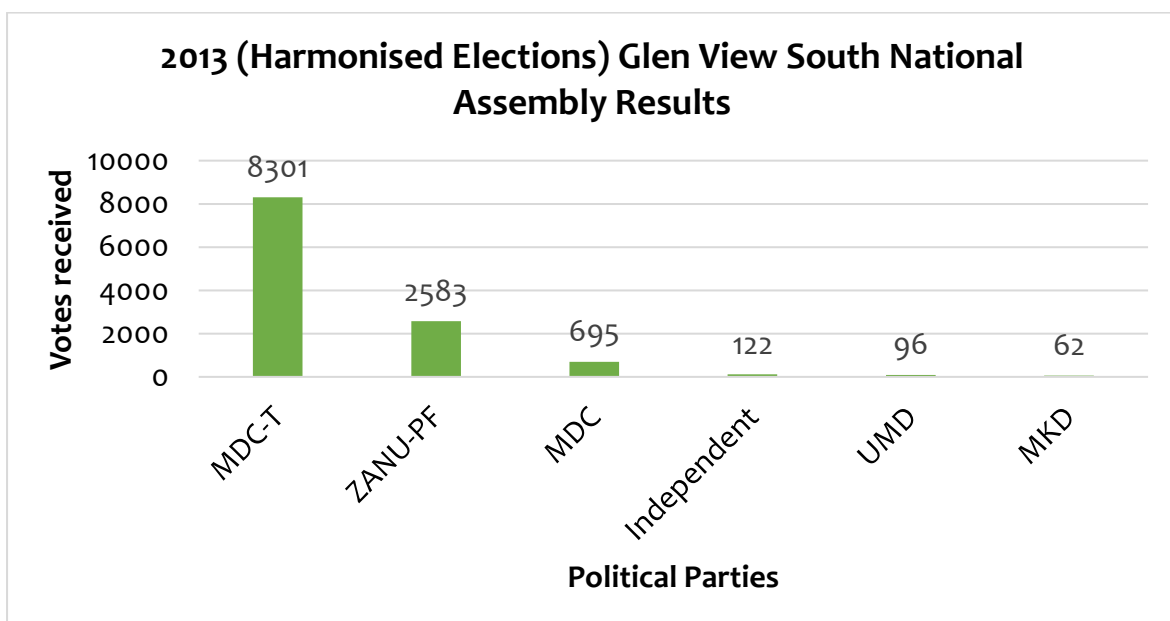
² Zimstat, 2012 Harare Province Census Report, page 102
<http://www.zimstat.co.zw/sites/default/files/img/publications/Population/Harare.pdf>

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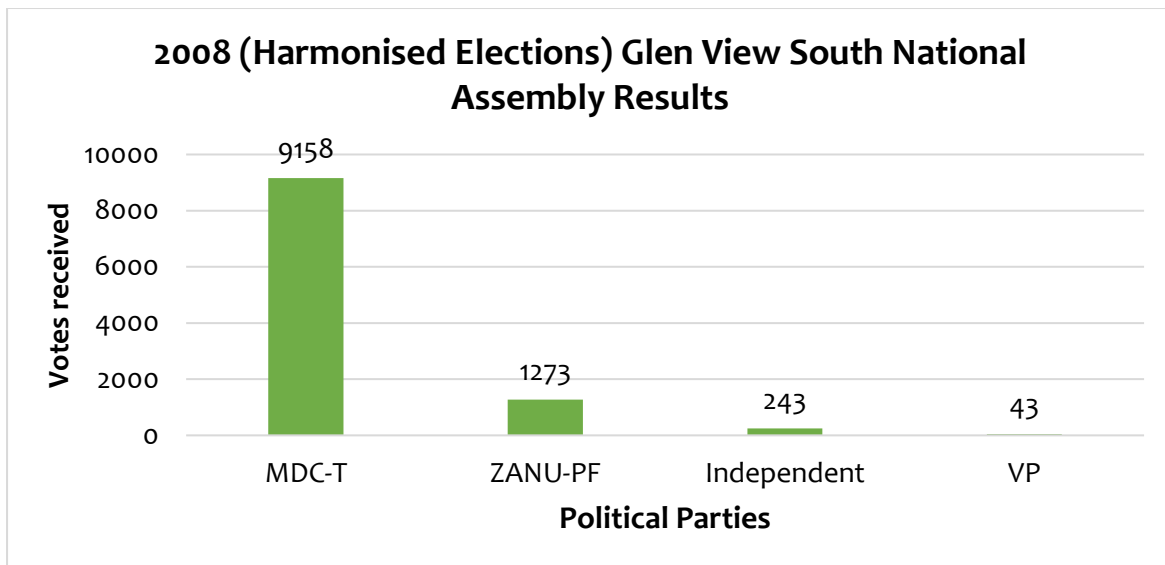
Graph 1: Results for Glen View South Constituency in the 2018 harmonised elections



Graph 2: Results for Glen View South Constituency in the 2013 harmonised elections



Graph 3: Results for Glen View South Constituency in the 2008 harmonised elections



An analysis of the election results for the Constituency would reveal that votes for the MDC declined between 2005 and 2013⁴ before increasing in 2018. Though ZANU-PF’s votes increased between 2008 and 2018, the MDC continued to win elections in the Constituency with wide margins.

The National Assembly seat was contested for by 10 candidates in the 2018 harmonised elections. The names of the candidates, their sex, and respective political parties are shown in table 1 below.

Table 1: Contestants for Glen View South National Assembly Seat in the 2018 Harmonised Elections

	Candidate’s name	Sex	Political party
1.	Tsvangirayi Java Vimbayi	F	MDC - Alliance
2.	Chipango Dumisani	M	ZANU-PF
3.	Felizardo Penlodge	M	Build Zim Alliance
4.	Hakata Grandmore	M	Independent
5.	Howera Hilarion	M	NCA
6.	Huta Norleen	F	CODE
7.	Kahari Joseph	M	MDC –T

⁴ <https://www.zesn.org.zw/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/GlenViewSouth.pdf>

8.	Kasema Maxwell	M	Independent
9.	Million Edwin	M	PRC
10.	Rateiwa Crispen	M	ZIPP

4. Background to the By-election

The by-election scheduled for 7 September 2019 was necessitated by the death, on 10 June 2019, of Vimbai Tsvangirayi Java of the MDC Alliance who was the Member of Parliament for the Constituency. As provided for under Section 39 (2) of the Electoral Act, President Mnangagwa made a proclamation on 12 July 2019, ordering the holding of the by-election to fill the vacancy.

5. Political Environment and Campaigns

The political environment in Glen View South Constituency has so far been peaceful. Political parties have been holding rallies and using posters as part of their campaigning. Of concern is suspected vote buying by ZANU-PF taking advantage of boreholes that are being drilled in the Constituency by the District Development Fund.⁵ ZESN has also received reports of the alleged use of government vehicles for campaign purposes by ZANU-PF. This would amount to the abuse of state resources for the benefit of the ZANU PF candidate. There have also been instances where ZANU-PF supporters reportedly pasted their posters on top of those of the MDC Alliance candidate. This act violates the Code of Conduct for Political Parties, Candidates, and other Stakeholders which is enshrined in the fourth schedule of the Electoral Act.

6. Voters' Registration and Voter Education Processes

For the 2018 harmonised elections, Glen View South Constituency had 20269 registered voters. In spite of the several attempts made, ZESN could not get current registration figures from ZEC for the upcoming by-election.

ZESN and representatives from its members, namely ZINASU, ZACRO, and ZIMCET, conducted Voter Education (VE) in the Constituency from 28 to 30 August 2019. The

⁵ <https://www.zesn.org.zw/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/Presser-Glen-View-South.pdf>

objective was to mobilize voters to go and exercise their right to vote in peace on Election Day. In the VE exercise, 5000 posters and 1000 flyers were distributed. The team targeted community hall meetings, food distribution meetings, and church gatherings and general citizens at public places. The team also employed the door to door strategy in the two Wards. This was complemented by the setting up of *Zimbrellas* that were strategically located at shopping centres for the distribution of materials and information sharing targeted at those who were vending or away from home. A *Zimbrella* is a mobile information kiosk manned by voter educators. *Zimbrellas* were set up at Glen View 1 shopping centre, Glen View District offices, and at Amalinder. Picture 1 below shows a *Zimbrella* set up at Glenview District Office. Further, ZESN collaborated with ZEC personnel that were deployed in the Constituency from 27 to 30 August, sharing VE material and areas for coverage, thereby enhancing broader reach. ZimRights also conducted VE in the Constituency.

Picture 1: *Zimbrella* set up at Glenview District Office



7. Nomination and Contesting Candidates

Following proclamation by President Mnangagwa through Statutory Instrument 147 of 2019, and in line with section 39(2) of the Electoral Act [Chapter 2: 13], ordering a by-election to fill the National Assembly seat for Glen View South Constituency, the Nomination Court sat on 26 July 2019 at the Magistrates' Court, Rotten Row in Harare. The ZANU-PF candidate, Offan Muchuwe, and the UANC candidate, Elban Zisa, had lodged their papers prior to the sitting of the Nomination Court. This is permissible in terms of the electoral laws.

In terms of internal parties' candidates selection processes, ZANU-PF, ZAPU, and the MDC Alliance conducted primary elections. A total of nine candidates were duly nominated for the by-election. Table 2 below shows the list of the duly nominated candidates who will be contesting in the Glen View South National Assembly by-election.

Table 2: Contesting Candidates

	Candidate's name	Sex	Political Party
1.	Crispen Rateiwa	M	ZAPU
2.	Kasema Maxwell	M	Independent
3.	Edwin Million	M	LEAD
4.	Phillip Chamunorwa Ndengu	M	Independent
5.	Offard Muchuwe	M	ZANU-PF
6.	Ellah Zisani	F	UANC
7.	Vincent Tsvangirai	M	MDC Alliance
8.	Parlington Pikelele	M	UANC
9.	Rosemary Nyamayedenga	F	Freezim Congress

8. Brief Biographies of Contesting Candidates⁶

Below are the brief biographies of some candidates who will be contesting in the by-election.

⁶ The biographies are not comprehensive and are based on information gathered by the ZESN LTO who interacted with some of the candidates and their representatives.

i. Crispen Rateiwa - ZAPU

Crispen Rateiwa was born on 9 January 1988. He attended Glenview 6 Primary and Glenview High 1 Secondary Schools. Rateiwa holds a Diploma in Communication and Journalism from Christian College of Southern Africa (CCOSA) and a Bachelor of Science Honours Degree in Publishing Studies obtained in 2017 from the National University of Science and Technology (NUST). He was a students' leader at NUST from 2016 to 2017 and founded and chaired an Arts and Culture Organisation called African Youth Art Association (AYAA) seeking to promote art and cultural products. In the 2018 harmonised elections, Rateiwa represented Zimbabwe Partnership for Prosperity (ZIPP) as a parliamentary candidate before joining ZAPU on whose ticket he will be contesting in the upcoming by-election.

ii. Maxwell Kasema - Independent candidate

Maxwell Kasema will be contesting as an independent candidate in the Glen View South National Assembly by-election. He was born on 27 July 1980 in Glenview where he also attended Glenview 4 Primary and Glenview 1 High Schools before proceeding to Oriel Boys High School for his Advanced level studies. Kasema holds a Higher National Diploma in Hospitality Management from the School of Hospitality and Tourism in Bulawayo. He is an Entrepreneur running a construction company, Abiyawako Global Capital. Previously, he worked for Telecel ZW and Ishraq Gulf Real Estate, Dubai. Kasema contested for the constituency's National Assembly seat as an independent candidate in the 2018 harmonised elections.

iii. Edwin Million - LEAD

Edwin Million was born in Glen View on 1 November 1992. He attended Glen View 4 Primary and Glen View 2 High Schools and is a hairdresser by profession. Edwin Million contested for the constituency's National Assembly seat as a candidate for the PRC in the 2018 harmonised elections.

iv. Philip Chamunorwa Ndengu (Negombwe) - Independent candidate

Phillip Chamunorwa Ndengu (Negombwe) was born on 23 June 1982 and attended Glenview 4 Primary and Glenview 2 High Schools.

v. Offard Muchuwe - ZANU-PF

Offard Muchuwe was born in Makoni East (now Makoni Central), Manicaland Province. He served as ZANU-PF Youth Branch Commissar in Glen View 1 District from 1993 to 2000; Political Commissar for the District Youth Wing from 2001 to 2008; District Political Commissar for the main wing from 2009 to 2013; and in the District Legal Affairs of the main wing from 2014 to 2017. Muchuwe was co-opted into Harare Province as Deputy Secretary for Science and Technology for the main wing and held the position till the Provincial Executive was dissolved.

vi. Ellah Zisani - UANC

Ellah Zisani was born on 13 November 1973. She attended Chitenderano Primary and Mavhudzi Mission Schools in Nyazura. She went on to study interior decoration and dress making at Harare Polytechnic. She became Councillor under the Abel Muzorewa-led United Parties in 2000.

vii. Vincent Tsvangirai – MDC Alliance

Vincent Tsvangirai was born on 17 December 1994. He pursued education up to high school and has professional interests in photography, festivals and the entertainment sector. He previously worked in the background on a number of political campaigns, especially for his late sister, Vimbai Tsvangirayi Java in the 2018 campaign.

9. Conclusion

ZESN encourages political parties and their supporters to maintain peace in the constituency. The network further encourages voters in Glen View South Constituency to go out and vote in peace on Election Day. ZESN will continue to observe electoral developments in Glen View South Constituency and share updates. Trained ZESN observers will be deployed to polling stations to observe polling and counting processes on Election Day.

Annex 1: Glen View South Polling Station List

	Ward	Polling Station	Facility
1	31	Glen View 1 AA Primary	School
2	31	Glen View 1 AB Primary	School
3	31	Glen View 1 BA Primary	School
4	31	Glen View 1 BB Primary	School
5	31	Glen View 3 AA Primary	School
6	31	Glen View 3 AB Primary	School
7	31	Glen View 3 AC Primary	School
8	31	Glen View 3 BA Primary	School
9	31	Glen View 3 BB Primary	School
10	31	Glen View 9A Primary	School
11	31	Glen View 9B Primary	School
12	32	Chemhanza Stadium A	Tent
13	32	Chemhanza Stadium B	Tent
14	32	Chirangano Car Park A	Tent
15	32	Chirangano Car Park B	Tent
16	32	Chirangano Car Park C	Tent
17	32	Glen View 3 S/Centre A	Tent
18	32	Glen View 3 S/Centre B	Tent
19	32	Glen View 4 AA Primary	School
20	32	Glen View 4 AB Primary	School
21	32	Glen View 4 AC Primary	School
22	32	Glen View 4 S/Centre A	Tent
23	32	Glen View 4 S/Centre B	Tent
24	32	Glen View 6 Primary A	School
25	32	Glen View 6 Primary B	School
26	32	Glen View 6 Primary C	School
27	32	Glen View 6 Primary D	School