



# REQUEST SUPPORT AT THE POLLING STATION

You can take this form to your polling station to let the staff know that you need assistance to help you vote.

1) 2)	My name is: I am registered to vote at (my address):
	ave a learning disability/physical disability and/or autism and I need assistance help me to vote.
3)	What I need to help me vote (tick any that apply):
	☐ To be shown a large print ballot paper
	☐ A tactile voting device
	☐ Someone to read out the candidates on the ballot paper
	☐ Someone to help mark the ballot paper with my decision
	☐ To be able to lip read instructions
	☐ I cannot wait in long queues
	☐ I cannot go in the polling booth
	☐ I need to stay with the person who is helping me
	☐ Something else (please state what will help you to vote):
4)	I would like help from (tick the option that applies):
	☐ The person with me whose name is:
	☐ A member of staff in the polling station

wandsworth.gov.uk/vote





## **VOTING INFORMATION**

### Registering to vote:

- If you are not yet registered to vote, you can apply at <u>gov.uk/register-to-vote</u> or contact Electoral Services using the details at the end of this page.
- The deadline to register to vote is midnight, 12 working days before an election.

#### The Elections Act 2022 gives you the right to:

- Request suitable equipment to assist you to vote independently.
- Take someone to assist (they must be aged 18 or over) or you can ask the polling station staff for help.

#### When you get to your polling station:

- If you cannot physically access the polling station, the Presiding Officer (the person running the polling station) must bring the ballot paper(s) to you.
- You will be asked your name and address.
- You need to show an accepted form of photo ID or a Voter Authority Certificate (visit <u>wandsworth.gov.uk/voter-id</u> for details).
- You can use your own pen or pencil if you wish.

#### What other people can do:

- Explain the voting options to you.
- Use their knowledge of your communication methods to understand who you want to vote for.
- Come into the polling booth with you (please speak to polling station staff before you go into the booth, as the person who helps you will need to complete a form).
- Mark the ballot paper with your decision if you want them to.

#### What other people can't do:

- Make a decision for you.
- Mark the ballot paper against your wishes.
- Stop you from voting because you have a disability.

If you need help or advice before or after visiting your polling station, you can contact **Electoral Services** (please let us know if you need special assistance or adjustments when contacting us):

- Call the Electoral Services Helpline on 020 8871 6023
- Email electoral@wandsworth.gov.uk
- Visit us at the Customer Centre, Wandsworth High Street SW18 2PU (9am to 5pm, weekdays excluding bank holidays)

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