#### Voting by proxy

Proxy voting means that if you aren't able to cast your vote in person, you can have someone you trust cast your vote for you.

You can use this form to apply to vote by proxy if you are registered as an anonymous elector.

Your proxy must be be registered to vote. They must also be eligible to vote in the type of election(s) you are appointing them for.

A person can only be a proxy for close relatives and up to two other people at an election or referendum. Close relatives are the spouse, civil partner, parent, grandparent, brother, sister, child or grandchild of the applicant.

For more information about this form or anonymous registration, speak to your local electoral registration office. If you are not registered to vote, your local electoral registration office can provide you with a voter registration form. For contact details, **visit electoralcommission.org.uk/voter.** 

#### How do I apply to vote by proxy?

- You must ask someone who is willing and capable to be your proxy and vote on your behalf.
- No attestation is needed for this application.
- Make sure you complete all sections of the form, even if you have already given the information on your voter registration form. You need to give your date of birth and signature on this form. This information is needed to prevent fraud. If you are unable to sign this form, please contact your local electoral registration office.
- Return your form to your local electoral registration office as soon as possible. You can find their details and more information at electoral commission.org.uk/voter.

Please do not return your form to the Electoral Commission.

When applying for a new proxy vote, your local electoral registration office must receive your form by **5pm, 6 working days before the election.** 

When applying to change or cancel an an existing proxy, postal, or postal proxy vote, your local electoral registration office must receive your form by **5pm**, **11 working days before the election**.

If you miss the deadline to apply for a proxy vote, you may be able to apply for an emergency proxy vote in certain circumstances up until 5pm on the day of the election. Contact your local electoral registration office for advice. You can find their details at **electoralcommission.org.uk/voter.** 

This form and these deadlines do not apply in Northern Ireland. Visit eoni.org.uk for more information.

#### What happens after I've returned this form?

- You should let your proxy know how you want them to vote on your behalf, for example, which candidate or party.
- Your proxy will be sent a proxy poll card telling them where and when to vote on your behalf.
- Your proxy must go to the polling station to vote on your behalf. If your proxy cannot get to the polling station, they can apply to vote for you by post. This is called a postal proxy vote. Your proxy can contact your local electoral registration office for more details and to request a postal proxy application form. Your local electoral registration office must receive the postal proxy form by 5pm, 11 working days before the election.
- If it turns out that you are able to go to the polling station on the day of the election, you can vote in person as long as your proxy has not already done so, or has not applied to vote for you by post.

#### **Privacy statement**

This privacy notice tells you what will happen to the personal information you supply with this application form.

The Electoral Registration Officer is the Controller. Their lawful basis for collecting the personal information is that the processing is necessary in order to perform a task in the public interest as set out in the Representation of the People Act 1983 and related regulations.

The Electoral Registration Officer is legally required to process your personal information securely and comply with data protection legislation. For further information you should refer to their privacy notice. You can find their website address and contact details at **electoralcommission.org.uk/voter**.

Please write in black ink and use CAPITAL LETTERS. When you have completed every section and signed the form yourself, send it to your local electoral registration office. You can find their address at **electoralcommission.org.uk/voter.** 

1	About you			
	Surname			
	First name(s) (in full)			
	Your address (where you are registered to vote)			
Postcode				
	Phone number (optional)			
	Email (optional)			
	Providing an email and phone number gives a quick and easy way to contact you about your application.			

About your proxy (the person you
have chosen to vote on your behalf)
Full name
Family relationship (if any)
Full address
Postcode
Phone number (optional)
Email (optional)

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I want to vote by proxy (tick one box only):  until further notice (while I am registered as an anonymous elector)												
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# Declaration: I have asked the person I have named as my proxy and confirm that they are willing and capable to be appointed to vote on my behalf. As far as I know, the details on this form are true and accurate. I understand that to deliberately provide false information on this form is an offence punishable on conviction by imprisonment and/or a fine. Date of birth: Please write your date of birth in the boxes below using black ink. Signature: Sign below using black ink, keeping within the grey border.

If you are unable to sign this form, please contact your local electoral registration office.

