

Declaration by the companion of a Voter with disabilities at a Local Government Election

Election of councillors for the [*insert name of
ward*] electoral ward of [*insert name of council*] Council

Date of election: [day/date][name of month][year]

A voter who is unable to vote without assistance (due to blindness or other disability, or due to their inability to read) may make a declaration to that effect.

If the Presiding Officer of the polling station is satisfied by the voter's declaration, such a voter may be assisted by a companion, provided that the companion satisfactorily completes the declaration at section 1 below:

Ballot box number:

Polling Station
number:

Name of Presiding Officer:

Section 1 – TO BE COMPLETED BY COMPANION OF VOTER WITH DISABILITIES

It is an offence knowingly to make a false statement with the intention of being permitted to act as a companion.

I,(*companion name*)

Of

.....(*companion's address including
postcode*)

having been asked to assist(*voter's name*)

whose number on the register is (*voter's elector number*)

to record their vote at the election now being held in this ward, declare that

- I am entitled to vote as an elector at this election*

OR

- I am the spouse/civil partner/parent/grandparent/brother/ sister/grandchild* of the voter with disabilities and have attained the age of 16 years*

(**delete as appropriate*)

I declare that I have not previously assisted any voter with disabilities at this election except as noted below.

You are only allowed to assist up to two voters with disabilities. If you have already assisted a voter with disabilities at today's election please provide the following details:

Name of voter:

Address of voter:

Signature of
companion

Date

Section 2 - Presiding Officer's counter signature

I, the undersigned, confirm that this form was signed in my presence

Signature of
Presiding Officer

Date and time

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