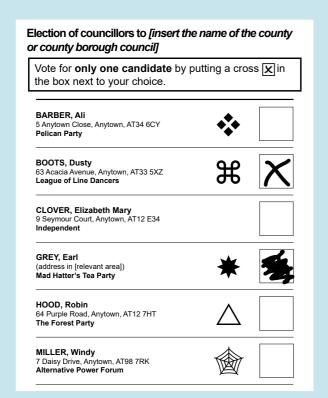
# The Electoral Commission

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## Doubtful ballot papers – allowed votes (single-member wards)



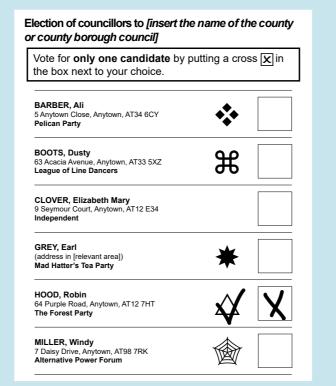
#### **Allow for Boots**

Cirencester case, *Eley v. Durant* and Rule 56(3)(c).

Vote for <b>only one candidate</b> by putting a cross x in the box next to your choice.		
BARBER, Ali 5 Anytown Close, Anytown, AT34 6CY Pelican Party	*	X
BOOTS, Dusty 63 Acacia Avenue, Anytown, AT33 5XZ League of Line Dancers	$\mathbb{H}$	
CLOVER, Elizabeth Mary 9 Seymour Court, Anytown, AT12 E34 Independent		
GREY, Earl (address in [relevant area]) Mad Hatter's Tea Party	*	
HOOD, Robin 64 Purple Road, Anytown, AT12 7HT The Forest Party	Δ	
MILLER, Windy 7 Daisy Drive, Anytown, AT98 7RK Alternative Power Forum		

### Allow for Barber

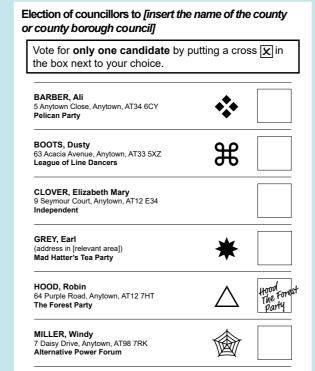
Berwick-upon-Tweed case and Rule 56(3)(a).



#### Allow for Hood Rule 56(3)(c).

ection of councillors to [insert he name of the county county borough council]		
Vote for <b>only one candidate</b> by putting a cross <b>x</b> in the box next to your choice.		
BARBER, Ali 5 Anytown Close, Anytown, AT34 6CY Pelican Party	*	
BOOTS, Dusty 63 Acacia Avenue, Anytown, AT33 5XZ League of Line Dancers	$\mathbb{H}$	
CLOVER, Elizabeth Mary 9 Seymour Court, Anytown, AT12 E34 Independent		
GREY, Earl (address in [relevant area]) Mad Hatter's Tea Party	*	yes
HOOD, Robin 64 Purple Road, Anytown, AT12 7HT The Forest Party	$\triangle$	
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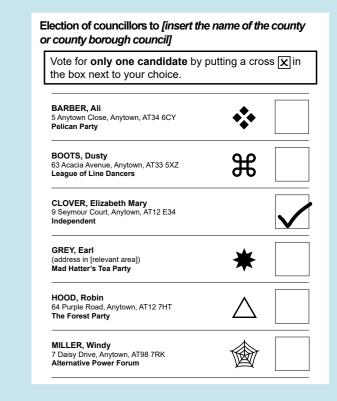
Allow for Grey Rule 56(3)(b).



### Allow for Hood Ruff e v. Rogers and Rule 56(3)(b).

Vote for <b>only one candidate</b> by putting a cross <b>x</b> in the box next to your choice.		
BARBER, Ali 5 Anytown Close, Anytown, AT34 6CY Pelican Party	*	
BOOTS, Dusty 63 Acacia Avenue, Anytown, AT33 5XZ League of Line Dancers	#	
CLOVER, Elizabeth Mary 9 Seymour Court, Anytown, AT12 E34 Independent		
GREY, Earl (address in [relevant area]) Mad Hatter's Tea Party	*	
HOOD, Robin 64 Purple Road, Anytown, AT12 7HT The Forest Party		

Allow for Miller Rule 56(3)(a) and (b).



Allow for Clover Rule 56(3)(b).

Vote for <b>only one candidate</b> by putting a cross <b>x</b> ir the box next to your choice.		
BARBER, Ali 5 Anytown Close, Anytown, AT34 6CY Pelican Party	**	
BOOTS, Dusty 63 Acacia Avenue, Anytown, AT33 5XZ League of Line Dancers	$\mathbb{H}$	
CLOVER, Elizabeth Mary 9 Seymour Court, Anytown, AT12 E34 Independent		
GREY, Earl (address in [relevant area])	*	3ER
Mad Hatter's Tea Party		~~~
HOOD, Robin 64 Purple Road, Anytown, AT12 7HT The Forest Party	$\triangle$	7.841

#### **Allow for Barber**

[provided there is no other candidate by the name of Barber] – *Ruff e v. Rogers* and Rule 56(3)(a) and (b).

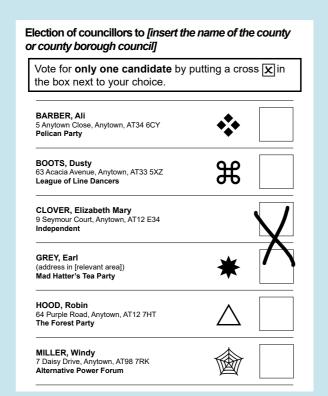
## The Electoral Commission

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## Doubtful ballot papers – rejected votes (single-member wards)



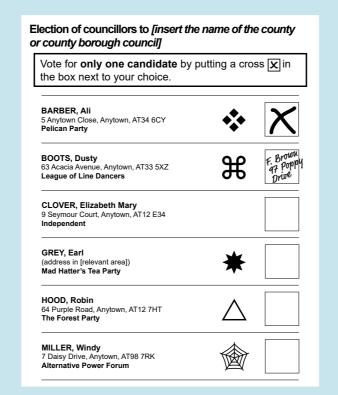
#### Reject

Voter's intention uncertain. Buckrose case and Rule 56(1)(d).

Vote for <b>only one candidate</b> by putting a cross <b>x</b> in the box next to your choice.		
BARBER, Ali 5 Anytown Close, Anytown, AT34 6CY Pelican Party	*	
BOOTS, Dusty 63 Acacia Avenue, Anytown, AT33 5XZ League of Line Dancers	#	
CLOVER, Elizabeth Mary 9 Seymour Court, Anytown, AT12 E34 Independent		
GREY, Earl (address in [relevant area]) Mad Hatter's Tea Party	*	
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HOOD, Robin 64 Purple Road, Anytown, AT12 7HT The Forest Party		

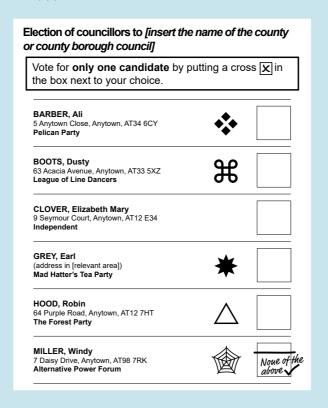
#### Reiect

Voter can be identified. Woodward v. Sarsons and Rule 56(1)(c).



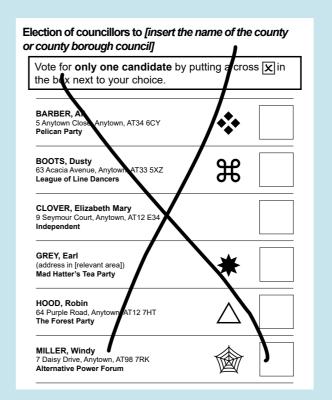
#### Reject

Voter can be identified. *Woodward v. Sarsons*, South Newington case and Rule 56(1)(c).



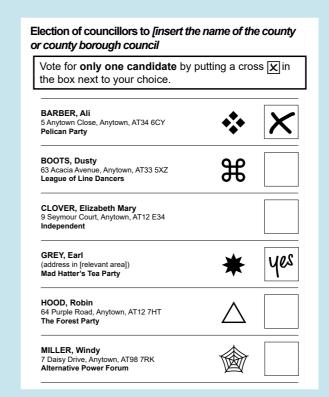
#### Reject

Void for uncertainty. Rule 56(1)(d).



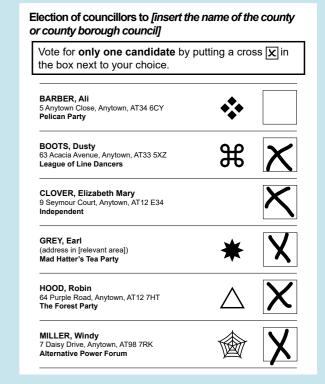
#### Reject

Voter's intention uncertain. *Rowe v. Cox* and Rule 56(1)(d).



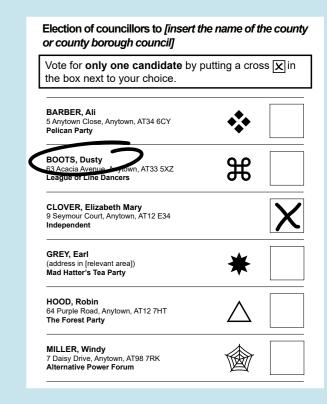
#### Reject

Voting for more candidates than the voter is entitled to vote for. Rule 56(1)(b).



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Voting for more candidates than the voter is entitled to vote for. Rule 56(1)(b).



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Voting for more candidates than the voter is entitled to vote for. Rule 56(1)(b).