The Canvass App

This is a very simple app and is being designed with the intention of helping YES groups engage with their support and convert that support into membership of the group.
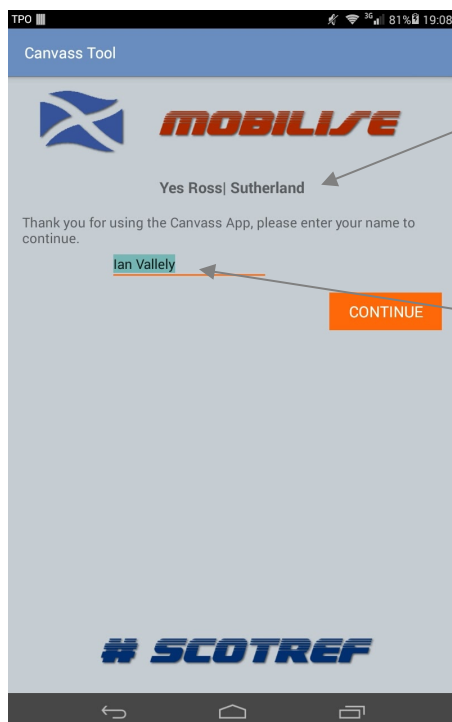
Installation

This app will install on any *android* phone or tablet *(sorry not available for ios)*.

Once the app has been downloaded to your device it should install with a click, you may have to go into settings/security and allow app installation from unknown sources.

Depending on the version of android running the app may ask for additional access, this is to allow it to write to file.

Setup

Your group name will appear here after completing setup.

On opening the app the user is prompted to enter their name and is then taken to the home/options screen.

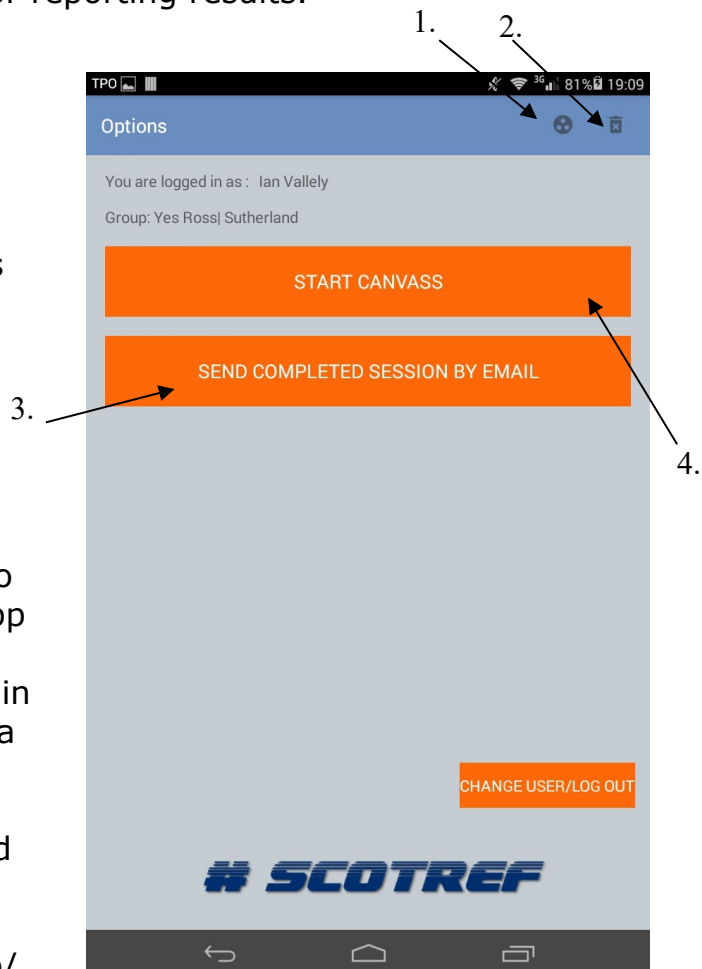Various options are available to the user on this screen.

Group setup

1. Using the **group button** in the toolbar the user can set the group name and email address for reporting results.
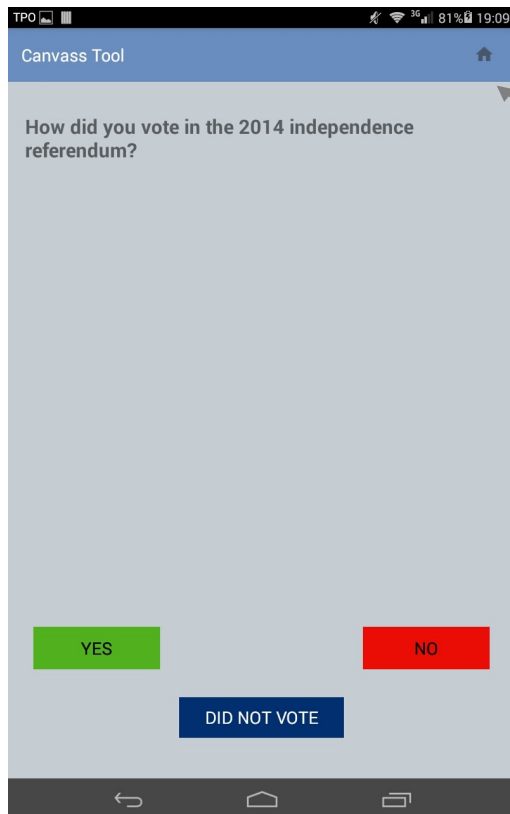
2. The **bin button** will let the user delete the backup data. This should only be done only when the user is satisfied that the collected data has been received for processing.

3. **Send completed session by email** will auto start your devices email app and create message, attaching a copy of the main data collected file. The data file will automatically be backed up and can be accessed using any android file browser. On internal memory folder:CanvassTool/Backup/ when the app is satisfied that the email has been sent and the backup file created it will delete the main data collection file ready to start a new canvass session

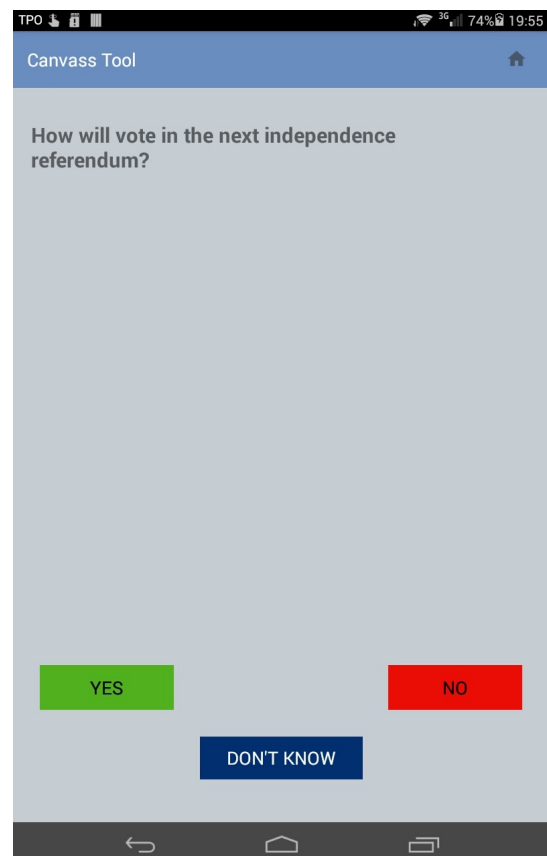The **Start canvass** button takes the user straight to the start of a new survey.
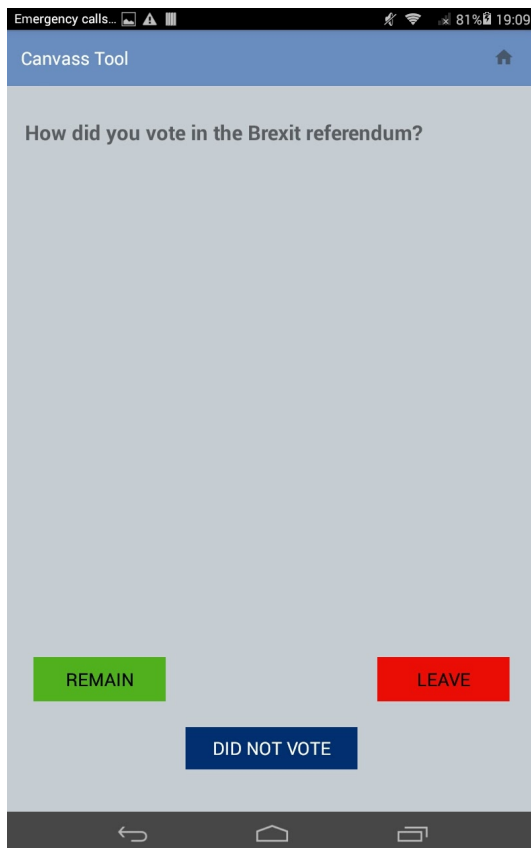
The app will ask a series of 4 questions,

Q1. How did you vote in the 2014 independence referendum?

To escape from the canvass session use the home button in the toolbar to return to the home screen.
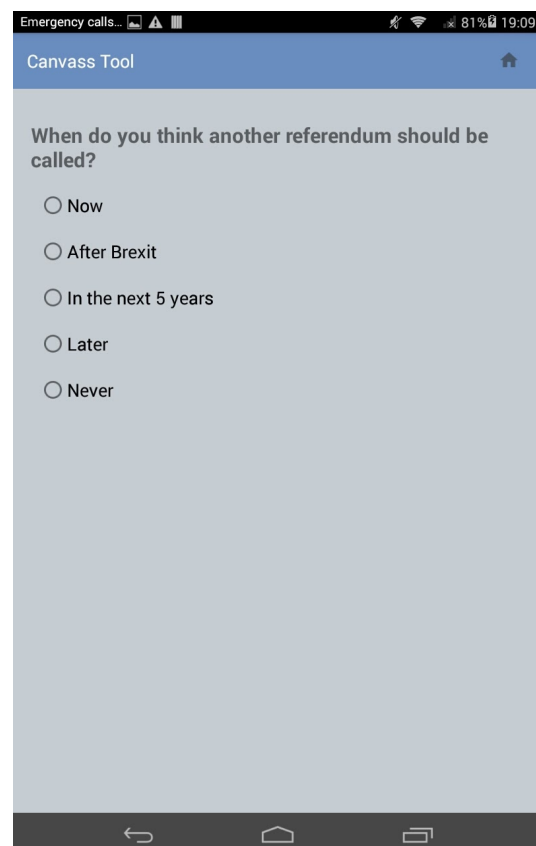
Q2. How will you vote in the next independence referendum?

Q3. How did you vote in the Brexit referendum?

Q4. When do you think another referendum should be called?

On completion the app offers the respondent the opportunity to receive newsletters or join the group this is accompanied by a request for email address. The respondent can also select to block contact.

The app will ask for basic information that will allow groups to, take action depending on the preferences expressed by the respondent.

- Name
- First line address
- Postcode

When you submit the survey it is saved locally on the device, this avoids the need for internet access. The user can then either continue canvassing or return to the home screen, you can repeat the survey as many times as you like and store a days worth of canvassing.

The stored data is sent by email when you get back within wifi using the button on the home screen and arrives as a spreadsheet file for processing.

Support

The app is not available on play store and will not automatically update. To get notifications of available updates please enter your email address

Please report any issues / suggestions for improving the app to myself at the address below.

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