

Get Out The Vote – Polling day

What to say

“Hello, I’m Today is polling day for the EU referendum. We just wanted to check whether you’ve been to vote yet today.”

Response and what to record on the sheet:

I have already voted (mark them as “V” on the sheet).

I’m voting later (mark them with a “-” on the sheet as we’ll call back later).

I won’t be voting (mark them as “W” on the sheet).

Remember to ask about other voters in the household too.

Other responses:

‘I’ve lost my polling card’ – Tell them they do not need this card to vote, or any ID – just go to the polling station and give your name and address.

‘I have a postal vote but haven’t posted it’ – Tell them to complete their ballot papers, seal them in the envelopes provided and take them to a polling station: you can drop them off in person any time before 10 p.m.

‘I have lost my postal vote ballot papers’ – Tell them to telephone their local council, ask for ‘Electoral Services’ and request a replacement ballot.

‘I am too unwell to vote and don’t have a postal vote’ – If before 5 p.m., tell them to telephone their local council, ask for ‘Electoral Services’ and request an Emergency Medical Proxy Vote form.

TOP TIPS

Ideally, knock on doors in a team of 4–7 people with one person holding the board, reading out the names and recording the results

What to take: clipboard, spare pens, ‘Today is Polling Day’ leaflets

Polls are open from 7 a.m. until 10 p.m.

Important: return your completed sheets to the local Campaign Centre so this information can be recorded in VICS.

OUR KEY MESSAGES

COST: We send £350 million to Brussels every week – we should spend our money on our priorities, like the NHS instead.

CONTROL: EU law overrules UK law – on important issues such as a level of VAT, whether prisoners can vote, and whether we can kick dangerous criminals out of the country. Our laws should be made by the people we elect, not by unelected judges and officials in Brussels.

BORDERS: Because of EU ‘free movement’ laws, we can’t control our borders while we remain in the EU. More than a quarter of a million people came to the UK from the EU the equivalent of a city the size of Plymouth/Newcastle/Wolverhampton.