

VOTING BY PROXY AT AN ELECTION

1. Get ready to vote



I choose to vote by proxy. Voting helps choose who makes decisions for my community.

Voting by proxy means that someone I trust will vote for me.

2. My proxy voter

A proxy voter is the person I choose to vote for me.

My proxy must be someone I trust.

They must be able to go to the polling station on election day.



3. The council confirms my proxy vote



The council will send a letter to confirm that my proxy vote has been arranged.

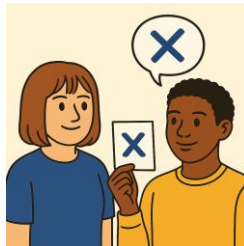
My proxy will also receive a letter telling them they can vote for me.

4. Talking to my proxy

I tell my proxy who I would like to vote for.

They must follow my instructions when they vote.

My proxy can only vote the way I have asked them to.



5. Election day



On election day, my proxy will go to my polling station.

They will be given a ballot paper, just like any other voter.

My proxy will mark the ballot paper with a clear X next to my choice.

6. How my proxy uses the polling station

My proxy will tell the staff that they are voting for me.

They will need to show their own ID to vote.

They will vote in the same way I would if I were there.



7. My vote is kept secret



My proxy keeps my vote private.

No one else needs to know who I am voting for.

8. I have taken part in the election

By asking a proxy to vote for me, I have taken part in an important decision.

Voting helps make my voice heard and I can feel proud.

