

# Declaration of identity

## Representation of the People Acts

Ballot paper number: 123ABC789-X

I am the person to whom the ballot paper numbered above was sent.

My date of birth is

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(you are not required to give your date of birth if you are to vote as a proxy for someone else).

Voter's signature

The voter, who is personally known to me, has signed this declaration in my presence.

Witness's signature

Date

Name of witness

! Write clearly

Address of witness

! Write clearly



## Instructions to the voter

- 1 You must sign this declaration of identity in the presence of a person known to you.  
That person should then sign this declaration as a witness, adding his or her name and address. Without this the declaration will be invalid.
- 2 Vote for ONE candidate only.  
Put no other mark on the ballot paper or your vote may not be counted.
- 3 Mark a cross (X) in the box on the right hand side of the ballot paper opposite the name of the candidate you are voting for.  
Do this secretly. If you cannot vote without assistance, the person assisting you must not disclose how you have voted.
- 4 Put the ballot paper in the small envelope marked **A** and seal it.  
Then put the envelope marked **A**, together with the declaration of identity, in the larger envelope marked **B**.
- 5 Return envelope marked **B** without delay. The ballot paper must be received by the Returning Officer not later than the close of the poll.
- 6 If you receive more than one ballot paper, remember that it is illegal to vote more than once (otherwise than as proxy) at the same election.
- 7 At this election you cannot vote in person at a polling station, even if you receive an official poll card.
- 8 If you inadvertently spoil your ballot paper, you can apply to the Returning Officer for another one. With your application you must return, in your own envelope, the spoilt ballot paper, the declaration of identity and the envelopes marked **A** and **B**.  
Remember that there is little time available if a fresh postal ballot paper is to be issued and counted.