



# YOUR VOTE REALLY MATTERS

# APPLY FOR A POSTAL VOTE TODAY!

**Make sure your voice is heard. Apply for a postal vote today and cast your vote from the comfort of your home and in your own time.**

Voting by post is an easy and convenient way of voting if you are unable to get to the polling station to vote in person.

### **Who can apply for a postal vote?**

Any registered voter can apply for a postal vote. You do not need to give a reason to vote by post.

### **How do I apply?**

Simply complete the enclosed form overleaf. Once complete the form should be returned to the Electoral Services Department at your local council, you will find their address in the telephone book. Alternatively, if you choose to do so, you are welcome to return it to our office using the freepost envelope provided and we will hand it in on your behalf.

### **Can I apply on-line?**

You cannot apply on-line because the electoral registration office needs your signature to combat voting fraud. However, you can download and print an application form at [www.aboutmyvote.co.uk](http://www.aboutmyvote.co.uk)

### **Where can I get my postal vote sent?**

A postal vote can be sent to your home address or to any other address that you give. Postal votes can be sent overseas, but you need to consider whether there will be enough time to receive and return your ballot paper by election day.

### **When will I receive my ballot papers?**

Postal votes are usually sent out about a week before election day. Once you've got it, mark your vote on the ballot paper and make sure you send it back so that it arrives by close of poll (which is 10pm on election day). If it arrives later than this your vote won't be counted.

### **If I have a postal vote can I still vote in person?**

Yes, but only if you take your completed postal vote, together with your declaration of identity, to the polling station before 10pm on polling day.

For more information, call us on [01952 290039](tel:01952 290039) or email [toriesintelford@btconnect.com](mailto:toriesintelford@btconnect.com)