



Leicestershire Learning Disability Partnership Board



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Co-Chair of the Partnership Board

Welcome to the Voting Workshop

Friday 5th December 2014



We will have half an hour for lunch at
12.15



Workshop ends at about 1.30



HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT OUTREACH SERVICE



Clare Mullin

Outreach Officer, Midlands Area
Outreach Service
Houses of Parliament





The voice of
learning disability



Amanda Barlow

Community Engagement Officer
East Midlands
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Voting Is Important Because:



QUESTION:

**Do you know what
things are affected
by politics?**





Hospital



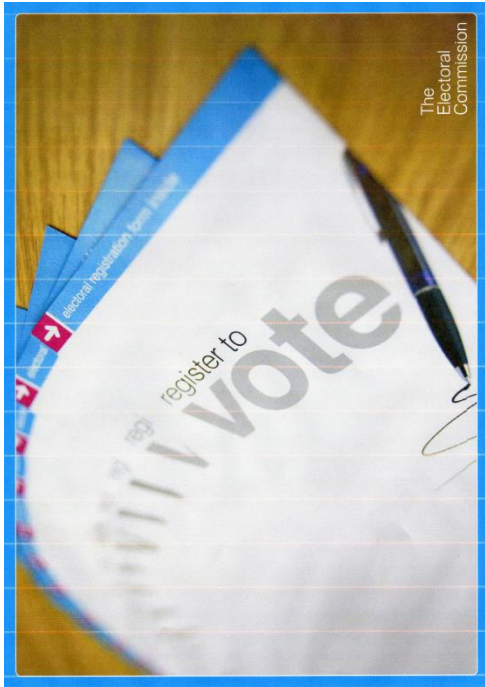
Activity

So what is important to you?



Quick Question

Can you vote if you have not registered to vote?

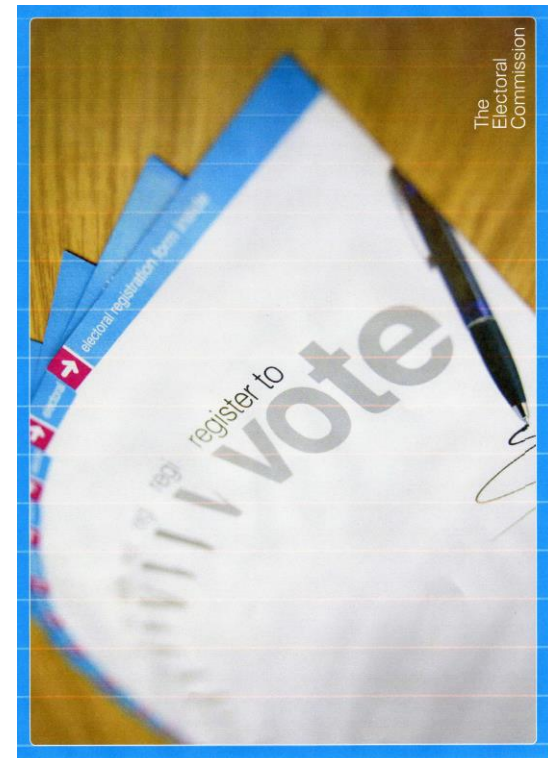


Yes



No

Registering to vote



Quiz

1. Which man is the Prime Minister?



**Nick
Clegg**



**David
Cameron**



**Ed
Milliband**

Quiz

2. Which of these is the logo for the Labour party?





3. How old do you have to be to vote?



18 years old

21 years old

35 years old.

4. How many years apart are government elections?



2 years

4 years

6 years

Quiz

5. Who lives at 10 Downing Street?



The Queen



The Prime Minister



The Leader of the Opposition

Quiz

6. Does every politician belong to a political party?



Yes



No

Quiz

7. Which of these are ways that you can vote?



How you can vote



**In person or by proxy
at a polling station**

or

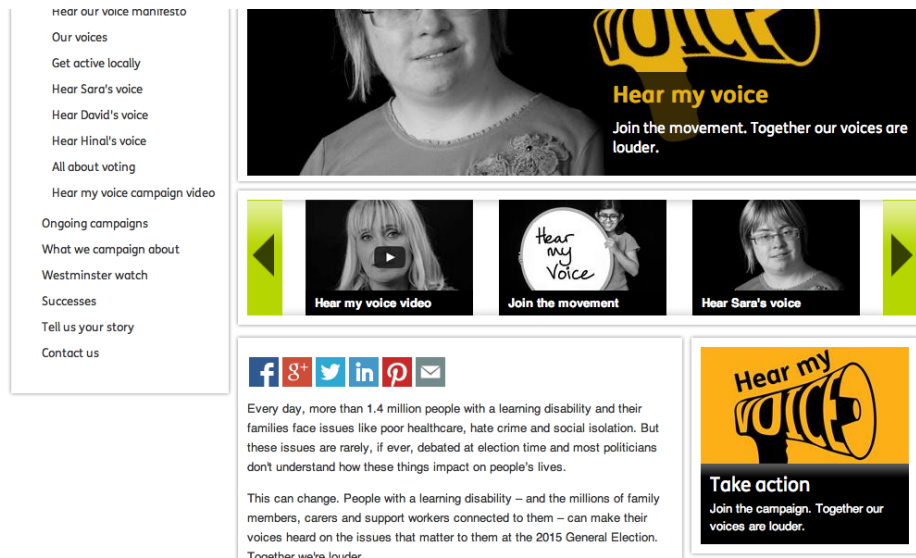


By post

In 3 easy steps you can be writing directly to your local MP

Visit this web page...

<https://www.mencap.org.uk/hearmyvoice>



The screenshot shows the homepage of the 'Hear My Voice' campaign. On the left is a vertical navigation menu with the following items: 'Hear our voice manifesto', 'Our voices', 'Get active locally', 'Hear Sara's voice', 'Hear David's voice', 'Hear Hinal's voice', 'All about voting', 'Hear my voice campaign video', 'Ongoing campaigns', 'What we campaign about', 'Westminster watch', 'Successes', 'Tell us your story', and 'Contact us'. The main content area features a large banner with a woman's face and the text 'Hear my voice' and 'Join the movement. Together our voices are louder.' Below this is a carousel of three video thumbnails: 'Hear my voice video', 'Join the movement', and 'Hear Sara's voice'. At the bottom left, there are social media icons for Facebook, Google+, Twitter, LinkedIn, Pinterest, and Email. To the right of these icons is a text block: 'Every day, more than 1.4 million people with a learning disability and their families face issues like poor healthcare, hate crime and social isolation. But these issues are rarely, if ever, debated at election time and most politicians don't understand how these things impact on people's lives. This can change. People with a learning disability – and the millions of family members, carers and support workers connected to them – can make their voices heard on the issues that matter to them at the 2015 General Election. Together we're louder.' To the right of the text block is another banner with a megaphone icon and the text 'Hear my voice', 'Take action', and 'Join the campaign. Together our voices are louder.'

Click on this orange loud speaker



Fill in your details below to find out who your local candidates are and send them your message; my voice counts, listen to it!

Details Story Photo Share

Title
Miss

First Name *

Last Name *

Last Name Please make sure you fill in all the fields marked with *



- Mr Nicholas Boles, MP**
Grantham and Stamford
- Ms Marietta King**
Grantham and Stamford

Maximum of 1,400 characters, which is approximately 2 paragraphs. *

I don't want to share my story publicly on the website

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Find out more

<https://www.mencap.org.uk/hearmyvoice>

A great site to match your views with a political party

<http://www.votematch.org.uk>





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Time for lunch and
a break

30 minutes



Registering to Vote and Voting



Neil Briggs

Customer Access & Electoral Services
Manager, Blaby District Council



Andrea Telford

Team Leader - Land Charges & Electoral
Services, Charnwood Borough Council

What do we do?



- Add people to the electoral register and take people off the register. The register is a list of people who can vote.



- Help everyone who is able to vote to vote!

How to Vote

In person



By post



By proxy (someone voting on your behalf)



Your Vote Matters

Why is it important to vote?

You can have your say and stand up for what you believe is right

How easy is it to vote?

It is really easy. Sometimes it's as easy as putting one mark on a single piece of paper, folding it and putting it in a box!

Your Vote Matters

Who can I ask for help?

- All polling stations have someone called a Presiding Officer. This person is like a manager in a shop.
- They make sure that everything runs well and that your vote is safe and secure.
- They can answer any question you might have on polling day. Sometimes they can help a voter in marking their ballot paper.

Vote

Lets have a go!!!





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- Who is going to vote and where?
- Easy Read Manifestos
- Who wants to have their own voting workshop?

