Ways to cast your vote!

It may seem a daunting task to cast your vote. Deciding who to vote for is hard enough but if you also have access needs then knowing the options on how to easily cast your vote is vital. So here are some tips. Make sure you are enrolled. This must be done by 23nd August. There are a number of different ways you can cast your vote.

The first is to go to the polling booth in your area on the day of the election and cast your vote. In order to find a polling booth that is accessible in your area please go to the electoral office website click here.

If you require someone to read or write for you please be aware that you are allowed to ask a support person to be with you. They are also allowed to mark your voting papers if you ask them to.

The second way to cast a vote is by advance voting.
Advance voting stations open from the 11th September and remain open until voting day.
All advance voting booths are accessible.

The third way of voting is through casting a special vote. In order to do this you will need to fill out a declaration form explaining why you are unable to vote at a polling station on election day. You can either send this by post or collect and return it from an advanced polling station. See right collumn for details.

You are also able to cast a vote via telephone see right collumn for details.

For more information

Local voting stations access information and to access special vote forms please contact the Electoral Office either via phone 0800 36 76 56 or click here.

Phone voting is accessed through the Foundation of the Blind. You don't need to be a Foundation member, anyone can phone them and enquire about the procedure. For more information please call 0800 24 33 33.

For information on various parties and their policies you could visit the spin off which has broken down various policy <u>click here</u>.

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