

Fill in your ballot papers yourself and in private

If you need independent help, contact the Constituency Returning Officer's staff.

Your postal voting statement

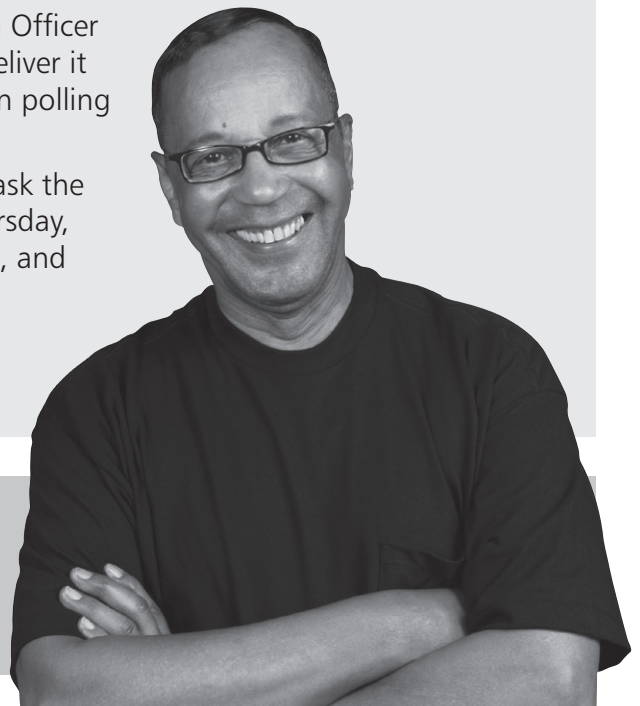
- Fill in the statement by signing it, and giving your date of birth.
- If you do not, the statement will be invalid and your votes will not be counted.
- This is a security measure. Your signature and date of birth will be checked against your original application to vote by post. If they do not match your votes will not be counted.
- Only you, the voter, can sign the statement - no one else can.
Power of Attorney does not apply to the voting process [Mental Capacity Act 2005].
- If you are unable to sign (because of a recent accident, etc) please contact the Returning Officer for more advice.

Your votes

- You have three ballot papers for the Greater London Authority (GLA) elections.
- In the London Mayor election (pink ballot paper) vote once (X) in column one for your first choice, and vote once (X) in column two for your second choice.
- In the Assembly Constituency Member election (yellow ballot paper) vote once (X) in a blank box.
- In the Assembly London Member election (peach ballot paper) vote once (X) in a blank box.
- Do not mark your ballot papers in any other way, or your votes may not be counted.
- If you need help voting, the person helping you must not tell anyone how you voted.

After you have voted

- When you have voted - put all the ballot papers in envelope A and seal it - put envelope A, with the filled-in statement still attached, in envelope B
- Return your postal vote quickly. It must reach the Returning Officer by 10.00pm on Thursday, 1 May. If you need to, you can deliver it to the Electoral Services Office, or to any polling station - on polling day - in the electoral area.
- If you accidentally spoil any of your ballot papers, you can ask the Returning Officer for a replacement before 5.00pm on Thursday, 1 May. You must return all the ballot papers, the statement, and envelopes A & B. Do this as soon as you can.
- After receiving this postal vote, you cannot vote in person at a polling station.



Has your postal vote reached the Returning Officer?

Voters can now check to see if their returned postal voting pack has reached the Returning Officer. You can do this online at: www.lbhf.gov.uk/electoralservices or by phoning the helpline.

Electoral fraud is a crime. You must not vote using a ballot paper that is not addressed to you or interfere with another voter's ballot papers. It is illegal to vote more than once (unless you are appointed as a proxy for another elector) at the same election.

What about postal voting fraud?

Some people are worried about postal voting fraud. We take these concerns very seriously.

However, we must stress that there has never been any evidence of organised postal voting fraud in Hammersmith & Fulham.

Here are some safeguards we have in place

- Every request for a postal vote is checked against our computer records of electors. You cannot get a postal vote unless you are on the Voters List. You can only get one postal voting pack at an election, even if you send in more than one application form.
- A request for a postal vote is turned down if the application form is not signed or there is no date of birth. You also have to sign any request to cancel or change your postal vote.
- We write back to everyone who arranges a postal vote.
- The postal voting statement is there to prevent fraud.
- Signatures and dates of birth are cross-checked with original application forms.

What you can do

- Let us know if your postal voting pack does not arrive.
- Keep your voting pack in a safe place if you are not voting straightaway.
- When you vote, keep it secret.
- If you can, post it back yourself.
 - Don't give your pack to someone else to post unless you trust them.
- If you decide not to vote, never give your pack to someone else - dispose of your pack safely.
- Tell us if you move, so your postal voting details can be kept up to date.

Never give your postal vote to anyone who says they are collecting for the Returning Officer. We never do this.

If you would like any part of this document interpreted into your own language, please phone 020 8753 4040.

Albanian

Nëse e dëshironi t'cilëndo pjesë të këtij dokumenti të përkthyer në gjuhën tuaj, ju lutemi telefononi në numrin 020 8753 4040.

Amharic

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Arabic

إذا كنت ترغب بالحصول على أي جزء من محتويات هذه الوثيقة بلغتك الأم، يرجى الاتصال برقم الهاتف 020 8753 4040.

Bengali

আপনি যদি আপনার নিজের ভাষাতে এই ডকুমেন্টের কোন অংশের অনুবাদ চান তাহলে দয়া করে 020 8753 4040 নম্বরে ফোন করুন।

Croatian

Ukoliko želite prijevod bilo kojeg dijela ovog dokumenta na jezik kojim Vi govorite, molimo nazovite telefonski broj 020 8753 4040.

Farsi

لطفاً اگر مایل هستید هر بخشی از این نوشتار به زبان شما ترجمه گردد، با شماره تلفن 020 8753 4040 تماس حاصل فرمایید.

French

Si vous souhaitez quelconque partie de ce document dans votre propre langue, appelez le 020 8753 4040.

Polish

Jeśli życzą sobie Państwo, aby dowolna część tego dokumentu została przetłumaczona na Państwa język ojczysty, proszę zadzwonić pod numer 020 8753 4040.

Portuguese

Se gostaria de ter qualquer parte deste documento traduzida no seu idioma, por favor telefone para 020 8753 4040.

Serbian

Ako želite da bilo koji deo ovog dokumenta bude preveden na vaš materinji jezik, molimo vas da nazovete ovaj broj telefona 020 8753 4040.

Somali

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Spanish

Si desea que le interpreten alguna parte de este documento en su idioma, por favor llame al 020 8753 4040.

Urdu

اگر اس دستاویز کے کسی بھی حصہ کا ترجمہ آپ اپنی زبان میں حاصل کرنا چاہتے ہیں تو براہ مہربانی 020 8753 4040 پر فون کریں۔