# Your Vote Your Voice

## Easy To Read Guide To Voting

**Monaghan County Council** 









### **Election Day**

- ➤ The Polling Station will open at 7am and will stay open until 10pm.
- ➤ You can vote **any time** between 7am and 10pm.
- > You should bring your **polling card** to the Polling Station.
- ➤ If you don't have a polling card you can still vote once you have identification with you to show the Polling Clerk working in the Polling Station who you are.
- ➤ The Polling Clerk working in the Polling Station may ask you for identification with your photograph on it as well as your polling card.
- ➤ If you have any questions or need any help you can ask the staff working at the Polling Station.

### Types of ID you can use

### A passport

### A bill with your name and address on it





### **A Drivers Licence**



### **Student ID**



### Garda Age Card



### **Public Services Card**



### **The Election Ballot Paper**

DOYLE – LIBERAL SOCIALISTS  MARY DOYLE, of 10 High  Street, Knockmore,  Nurse.	
LYNCH –URBAN PARTY JANE ELLEN LYNCH, of 12 Main Street, Ardstown, Shopkeeper.	The State
MURPHY PATRICK MURPHY, of 12 Main Street, Ballyduff, Carpenter.	
<b>Ó BRIAIN – CUMANN NA SAORANACH</b> SÉAMUS Ó BRIAIN, as 10 An tSráid Ard, Carn Mór, Oide Scoile.	25
O'BRIEN –THE INDEPENDENT PARTY EAMON O'BRIEN, of 22 Wellclose Place, Knockbeg, Barrister.	

### A Ballot Paper for an Election will look a little like this

- ➤ The people who are on the Ballot Paper are called **candidates**
- The Ballot Paper will have **the name**, **photograph** and **box** for each candidate who would like you to vote for them.
- ➤ If a candidate belongs to a Political Party the sign or logo for that Political Party will be beside their name.
- ➤ If a candidate does not belong to a Political Party, you will see "Independent" or "Non- Party" beside their name.
- ➤ Some of the information on the Ballot Paper will be written in the Irish language, this information will also be written in English.

### **Help with Voting**

Anyone who may find it difficult to read or fill out a Ballot Paper can get help to vote at the Polling Station.



### You can get help to

- ➤ Go with you behind the voting screen
- > Read out loud the words on the voting paper
- > Tick the Ballot Paper if you ask them to
- ➤ A support person is not allowed to tell you who to vote for

# Don't be afraid to ask for help

### **Rules inside the Polling Station**

### **No Photographs**

- You cannot take photographs in a Polling Station
- > NO photographs of you filling out the Ballot Paper
- > NO photographs of your choices on the Ballot Paper
- > NO selfies inside the Polling Station
- ➤ If you break this rule your vote will not count





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