

# Declaration for the companion of a voter with disabilities

Election of councillors to:

[insert name of local authority] or [insert name of parish/community council]

A voter with disabilities is a voter who has made a declaration that he or she is so incapacitated by his or her blindness or other disability, or by his or her inability to read, as to be unable to vote without assistance. In this form, "voter" means the person casting the vote at the election and includes a person voting as a proxy.

## Part 1 to be completed by the voter's companion

Companion's name			
Companion's address			
Voter's name <i>[Only for use if the disabled voter is acting as a proxy]</i>			
Voter is acting as proxy for:			
Elector's number <i>[if the disabled voter is acting as a proxy, this is the number of the person for whom the voter is acting]</i>			
I have been requested to assist the voter named above to record their vote at this election. I declare that:			
1. I am entitled to vote as an elector at this election *	or	2. I am the "spouse"/"civil partner"/"parent"/"brother"/"sister"/"child" of the voter with disabilities and am 18 years of age or over*	

\*please delete whichever does not apply

**AND, I have not previously assisted more than one voter with disabilities at this election.** If I have assisted one other voter their name and address is: details:

[Complete if appropriate] Name and address of other person assisted	
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**NOTE – It is a criminal offence to knowingly make a false statement in this form.**

Companion's signature		Date	
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## Part 2 – To be completed by the Presiding Officer

I, the undersigned, being the Presiding Officer for:			
Polling station		Electoral division / ward of	
Hereby certify that the above declaration was signed in my presence.		Presiding Officer signature	
Date		Time (exact)	

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