



If you add any new people they will also need to complete a registration application. They can do this at [gov.uk/register-to-vote](http://gov.uk/register-to-vote). We will send each new person a form if they do not apply online.

If you have a query, or need further information, please contact us at [electoral.services@oadby-wigston.gov.uk](mailto:electoral.services@oadby-wigston.gov.uk) or call 0116 288 8961.

Yours faithfully

## Electoral Services

Oadby & Wigston Borough Council

### Who is eligible to register to vote?

#### You can register to vote if you are:

- Resident (usually live) in the UK and aged 16 or over (but you will not be able to vote until you are 18).

#### You must also be either:

- A British, Irish or European Union citizen, or
- A Commonwealth citizen who has leave to enter or remain in the UK, or who does not require such leave.

### Postal and proxy votes

To arrange to vote by post or by proxy (someone you trust voting on your behalf) you can download an application form at [electoralcommission.org.uk/voter](http://electoralcommission.org.uk/voter). To change any existing postal or proxy vote arrangements contact us using the details on page 1.

### The open register

The open register is an extract of the electoral register, but it is not used for elections. It can be bought by anyone and used for many purposes including confirming name and address details and direct marketing purposes. Removing your details from the open register does not affect your right to vote.

You can find out more information about both registers and how they may be used at [gov.uk/register-to-vote](http://gov.uk/register-to-vote) or you can contact us using the details on page 1.

**PRIVACY STATEMENT** We collect information under the legal basis of a task carried out in the public interest, as set out in the Representation of the People Act 1983 and related regulations. We look after personal information securely and follow data protection legislation. If you opted-out of the open register we will only use the information you give us for electoral purposes, including matching it against other sources of data to support the electoral register. If you are currently registered, where applicable, we have processed your data correctly. We will not give personal information to anyone else, unless we have to by law. The law requires us to share your information with candidates, political parties and campaigners for democratic engagement purposes and credit reference agencies to check your identity when you apply for credit. If you have not opted-out of the open register your name and address can be bought by anyone and used for lots of purposes, including direct marketing. The Electoral Registration Officer is the Controller. They must have a policy document known as a privacy notice setting out how they process personal data.

Refer to the privacy notice at [www.oadby-wigston.gov.uk/pages/privacy/electoral](http://www.oadby-wigston.gov.uk/pages/privacy/electoral) or contact us to request a copy.

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