

Annual Canvass 2019

The Herefordshire Annual Canvass starts on 15th July. The purpose of the Canvass is to compile an accurate Electoral Register, which will be published on 1st December 2019.

The Canvass will happen in a similar way to previous years. This means that every residential property in the county will be sent a Household Enquiry Form (HEF). This form will show all members of the household currently registered to vote.

It is a legal requirement that the HEF is completed and returned. Any resident aged 18 or over can complete the HEF on behalf of the whole household. Residents have a choice of four different methods to complete their HEFs: online, phone, text or post. Each of these is free of charge to the resident, however we are encouraging the use of phone, text or web, as paper returns cost the Council much more.

We are confident that our Electoral Register is already very accurate but the canvass is a legal requirement for Local Authorities, and it is a good opportunity for us to check accuracy and increase the number of registered electors in Herefordshire.

IMPORTANT NOTE: completing the HEF does NOT register new electors to vote – they must still do this individually themselves via one of the approved methods (e.g. online at www.gov.uk/register-to-vote)

If you have any questions, here are our contact details:

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