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Deadline to apply for free voter ID fast approaching

Time to apply for free voter ID ahead of the May elections is running out. Anyone who doesn't already have an accepted form of ID will need to apply before the deadline at 5pm on 24 April.

For the first time, voters in Dorset will need to show photo ID to receive their

ballot paper at the local elections on 2 May. Those without an accepted type of ID can apply online for a Voter Authority Certificate.

Anyone who wants to have their say in the elections this May must also be registered to vote. Deadline for this is midnight on 16 April, it only takes five minutes to register online at www.gov.uk/register-to-vote.

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Dorset Youth Parliament Debates Education and Identity

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Young people from across Dorset were given a chance to debate topics close to their hearts at an event organised by the outgoing Member of Youth Parliament, Stanley Bowden.

All the schools in Dorset were invited, and around 50 young people turned up to engage in a series of debates on issues affecting their lives and education.



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