



# Voter Voices

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## Updates



Our **Voter Voices** inaugural conference was held on November 2023! Many thanks to all who attended. There was fantastic energy and participation. Students **Christopher and Christine** spoke about the impact of doing our voter education course. This was followed by an informative and lively address by CEO of The Electoral Commission **Art O'Leary**. He spoke about the work of the newly formed Commission and how they aim to make voting more accessible to all. Then, **Mick Clifford** of The Irish Examiner gave an interesting talk on voting not just being a right but a duty.



We also had round table discussions with all attendees of the conference - a mix of adult education, civic, community groups and organisations. Email [vote@dalc.ie](mailto:vote@dalc.ie) for feedback on our discussion

## News!

We delivered our **Active Citizenship/Voter Education** course with:

- **National Learning Network Wicklow** in October - a fantastic group of young adults who are new to voting!
- 13 community development workers with **SICAP in Wexford** in November.
- 12 staff in **Focus Ireland** in December. All are ready to share the course in their own settings!

## The Year Ahead:

The date for the **referendum** on women's place in the home and the nature of care has been set for 8th March 2024 - International Women's Day.

Helping **new communities** to vote in local elections will be our focus for 2024!

**All I Want for Christmas is to Vote! Check out our video!**



**Happy Christmas to all Voter Voices!**