



Voter Voices







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News 2024 - The Year of Elections!

The **Referendum** vote is taking place in 8th March! We are being asked to expand the definition of **family** and **care**. There will be two separate ballot paper - **green for care** and **white for family**.

The cut off time to register to vote in the Referendum was 20th Feb. You need to wait until 9th March to register to vote for future elections.

The **local elections** are taking place on Friday 7th June 2024. Anyone living in Ireland and who is registered to vote can vote!

NALA Tutors Forum - *Jan 27th* We presented our programme and any tutors in regional centres are organising training.





Cork Event

We joined Cork ETB on 23rd February in welcoming The Electoral Commission for the launch of their fantastic Active Citizenship tutor handbook!

Questions on the Referendum

It was fantastic to have The Electoral Commission chair Justice Marie Baker join us in DALC on Friday 1st March for a Q and A about the upcoming referendum! Lots of interesting discussion and debate!







Updates on Project:



What a brilliant weekend for us in Maynooth University training a fantastic group of 14 Aontas tutors on 2nd and 3rd February.

They will now bring voter education to their many groups all over Ireland! From Cork to Sligo to Donegal to Mullingar and all over Dublin!

Upcoming:

- Hill Street Dublin 1 We are delivering voter education training with migrant/new communities living in Dublin 1 in advance of voting in the local elections in June!
- Steering Group We have established a steering group to support the project. The group has 8 members made up from DALC, NALA, Aontas, ETBI and The Electoral Commission.
- We are delivering voter registration and voter education information sessions to promote the training in Louth, Limerick and Kildare in March and April.

DALC Training



We trained up 10 tutors in DALC over the last month. This will help build capacity to deliver our training this year!

Community of Practice

We are encouraging all tutors who have completed the training to join our **community of practice** - for ongoing support and guidance! Email: **vote@dalc.ie**

Resource

Why Do We Vote in a Referendum book explainer:

