

[^{F1}SCHEDULE 7

THE NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING BUSINESS REFERENDUMS RULES

Textual Amendments

- F1** Sch. 7 inserted (6.4.2013) by [The Neighbourhood Planning \(Referendums\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2013 \(S.I. 2013/798\)](#), regs. 1, 7, **Sch. 2**

PART 7

The Poll

Voting procedure

54.—(1) A ballot paper must be delivered to a named voter who applies for one, and immediately before delivery—

- (a) the number on the register and name of the named voter must be called out;
- (b) the number on the register must be marked on the list mentioned in rule 46(3)(d) beside the number of the ballot paper to be issued; and
- (c) a mark must be placed in the copy of the business voting register against the number on the register to note that a ballot paper has been received but without showing the particular ballot paper which has been received.

(2) The named voter, on receiving their ballot paper, must forthwith proceed into one of the compartments in the polling station and there secretly mark the ballot paper and fold it up so as to conceal their vote, and must then show to the presiding officer the back of the paper, so as to disclose the number and other unique identifying mark, and put the ballot paper so folded up into the ballot box in the presiding officer's presence.

(3) The named voter must vote without undue delay, and must leave the polling station as soon as the named voter has put the named voter's ballot paper into the ballot box.

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^{F2}(4) A named voter who at the close of the poll is in the polling station, or in a queue outside the polling station, for the purpose of voting shall (despite the close of the poll) be entitled to apply for a ballot paper under paragraph (1); and these rules apply in relation to such a voter accordingly.]]

Textual Amendments

- F2** Sch. 7 rule 54(4) inserted (6.4.2014) by [The Neighbourhood Planning \(Referendums\) \(Amendment\) Regulations 2014 \(S.I. 2014/333\)](#), regs. 1(6), **30** (with reg. 1(7))

Changes to legislation:

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- Sch. 3 rule 25(1)(b) words inserted by [S.I. 2023/1147 reg. 18\(3\)\(a\)](#)
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