Dear Sirs,

I would like to support Willaston Pre-School’s objection to their use as a polling venue in future elections. The pre-school is based at St. Johns Church Hall in Willaston. The use of this venue as a polling station disrupts the pre-school sessions and also causes a loss of revenue for the setting. The pre-school is a registered charity (Charity number 1035488) and managed by a committee of parents, so they are relying on the income to keep this important setting open for the village community. My son currently attends this pre-school so I know how valuable their presence in the village is. Closing the pre-school also causes inconvenience for parents, who have to find alternative childcare arrangements or take time off from work.

There are alternative venues in the village that would be suitable as a polling station:

- Willaston Primary School (less than 0.5 miles away).
- Willaston Social Club (almost next to the church hall); the Club has lots of parking and a separate function room where polling could be held.
- Willaston Masonic Hall (again it has lots of parking and is just up the road from St Johns Church Hall).
- St Lukes Church, Coppice Road (less than 0.5 miles away, with parking facilities).

I hope you will be able to decide on the use of an alternative venue for future elections.

Kind regards,

Mrs Antje Budge