



Dear Rider,

Riders are Voters

Unless you have been living in another country for the last few months, you cannot have failed to notice that we are now in the run up to a General Election to be held in the next few months. The bmf together with other organisations representing motorcyclists and the motorcycling industry are running a campaign to encourage all riders to vote in the forthcoming election, but prior to using their vote, to raise questions and issues of concern to motorcyclists with the potential MPs.

This can be achieved in a variety of ways such as arranging a meeting with candidates to discuss issues one to one or in a small group. Alternatively you could write to, e-mail, or telephone the candidates to raise motorcycling issues with them to ask what they will personally do about those issues if and when they are elected. Questions can also be raised in person at hustings and other meetings where the candidates are present or by writing to the local paper as they frequently publish articles about the various candidates in the run up to the election and invite questions from their readership.

There are many millions of motorcycle licence holders in the UK and indeed in many constituencies the motorcycling vote could affect the end result.

Details of the individual candidates and how to contact them can be found on the main party websites. If you are not sure who your sitting MP is or what constituency you live in you can find it by going to www.theyworkforyou.com and entering your postcode in their search engine. Make sure you are registered to vote, raise motorcycling related issues with the candidates and make sure you use your vote.

For further information look at www.ridersarevoters.org where much more detail about the campaign and information about local candidates is to be found and there is a link to your local election office to make sure you are registered to vote.

Please raise motorcycling issues with the candidates then use your vote.

Ride Safe

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