**Paul Matley**

I Can Vote campaign

Good morning ladies and gentlemen. My name is Mr. Paul Matley and I am 41 years old.

I’ve been working part time in aged care for the last 9 years. I’ve also just finished a production show with a theatre company. Starting this year, it’s going to be new, it’s going to be fresh, and this is just the beginning.

I started to vote when I was in my 20’s and it was easy when I had someone to help me to vote. The second time I went again with my support worker. That was easy. Two years ago, I was voting on my own, I lost track of time, I slept in. When I walked to the primary school, everyone had gone home, so I walked home. I then got a fine for not voting, which was very stressful.

My advice to other people is if you are having trouble finding a voting centre, you can search online or ask someone for help. Everyone needs help and support.

Don’t leave it to the last minute. Vote straight away!