

# YOU'RE INVITED TO A TOWN HALL!

## TALK ELECTORAL REFORM with MIKE BOSSIO, MP

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### Why Canadian federal electoral reform matters

Federal electoral reform is part of the Government's stronger democracy agenda. Canadians expect greater inclusion, transparency, meaningful engagement, and modernization from their public institutions. Federal electoral reform is part of the Government's commitment to change. Canada has a strong and deeply rooted democracy. One way to protect our democratic values is by continuously seeking to improve the functioning of our democratic institutions—including our voting system. I need to hear from you! Have your voice heard and get involved in one or more of our interactive and educational town halls in Hastings—Lennox and Addington!

**Visit [www.canada.ca/democracy](http://www.canada.ca/democracy) for more info on voting systems.**

### **ELECTORAL REFORM TOWN HALL #3**

**WHEN: 6:00pm, Tuesday, August 23rd, 2016**

**WHERE: Tweed Lions' Hall, 65 Victoria St North, Tweed**

ELECTORAL REFORM TOWN HALL #1  
6:00pm, Thursday, August 18th, 2016  
Club 580, 168 Hastings St North, Bancroft

ELECTORAL REFORM TOWN HALL #2  
2:00pm, Saturday, August 20th, 2016  
St. John's Hall, 216 Church St, Bath



**“To be your voice in Ottawa, rather than Ottawa’s voice in the riding, I need to hear from you! I hope that you can join me at a town hall in one of our Hastings-Lennox and Addington communities!” -Mike Bossio, MP**



## Guiding principles for Electoral Reform

The following five guiding principles may help you think about what you want from federal elections, your Member of Parliament (MP) and your federal government. They can help you decide what is important to you when it comes to potential changes to our democracy at the federal level by considering how any proposed reforms might:

- Restore the **effectiveness and legitimacy** of voting, such as by reducing distortions and strengthening the link between voter intention and the electoral result
- Encourage greater **engagement** and participation in the democratic process, including by underrepresented groups
- Support **accessibility and inclusiveness** of all eligible voters, and avoiding undue complexity in the voting process
- Safeguard the **integrity** of our voting process
- Preserve the accountability of **local representation**



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