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**CANDIDATE** Nick Palmer

**CONSTITUENCY** Broxtowe

**PARTY** Labour

- Q. FIXED-TERM PARLIAMENTS...** Do you agree with fixed-term parliaments or do you oppose them? I am undecided
- Q. FREE VOTES...** Do you think that there should be fewer, more or roughly the same number of free votes (votes not subject to party whip) in Parliament? I would like considerably more free votes
- Q. VOTING SYSTEM...** Do you think that the present voting system for Westminster elections should be maintained or should the voting system be reformed? I support reform of the voting system (alternative vote plus)
- Q. OPEN PRIMARIES...** Do you agree with open primaries for candidate selection or do you oppose them? I do not support open primaries but I do support primaries with defined electorates
- Q. VOTING AGE...** Do you think that the voting age should remain at 18 or should it be lowered to 16? I believe the voting age should be lowered to 16
- Q. RECALLING MPS...** Are you open to the idea of having a mechanism whereby constituents can vote on the recall of their MP in instances of "serious wrongdoing" or do you oppose having such a mechanism to recall MPs? I am against having a mechanism to recall MPs
- Q. HOUSE OF LORDS...** What is your view on the composition of the House of Lords/second chamber? I support a fully elected House of Lords/second chamber
- Q. OTHER REFORMS...** Please list other reforms/changes/measures that you believe would improve democracy/politics. A modified version of the Swiss referendum system, allowing petitions to trigger consultative referenda