

KNOW YOUR TD!

TD Name:

Political Party:

Constituency:

Government / Opposition / Independent:

Contact Details:

Where are they most connected locally?

Examples:

- town or village
- community groups
- sports clubs
- schools
- local campaigns
- local issues

Write down anything interesting you discover:

What Issues Do They Care About?

Look at:

- social media
- interviews
- website
- speeches
- local newspapers

What topics come up regularly?

- ☐ Education
- ☐ Mental Health
- ☐ Housing
- ☐ Community Safety
- ☐ Equality
- ☐ Disability
- ☐ Young People
- ☐ Sport
- ☐ Rural Issues
- ☐ Cost of Living
- ☐ Environment
- ☐ Employment
- ☐ Community Development
- ☐ Other: _____

Notes:

Oireachtas Roles & Committees

Are they:

- ☐ Minister
- ☐ Junior Minister
- ☐ Opposition Spokesperson
- ☐ Committee Member
- ☐ Backbench TD
- ☐ Independent TD

Committees or roles they are involved in:

Youth & Community Connections

Have they spoken about:

- ☐ Young people
- ☐ Mental health
- ☐ Education
- ☐ Community services
- ☐ Sport or recreation
- ☐ Youth facilities
- ☐ Anti-social behaviour
- ☐ Inclusion or equality
- ☐ Volunteering
- ☐ Other: _____

What did they say?

Top Tips

Before the meeting:

- Keep your story short and real
- Practice speaking out loud
- Know your key message
- Bring examples from your local area
- You do not need to be an “expert”

During the meeting:

- Be respectful and confident
- Speak clearly and slowly
- Don’t panic if you forget something
- It’s okay to be nervous
- Ask questions
- Listen carefully

Remember:

You are the expert on your own experience.