

With the general election just days away, new [redacted]  
suggests that over a million people on low [redacted] - who didn't  
vote in the last election - are planning to do so this time.

[redacted] 170,000 of them are thought to be [redacted] voters. The  
study by the Joseph Rowntree Foundation, who work to [redacted]  
poverty in the UK, found high levels of [redacted] and cynicism  
among voters, after what they see as [redacted] promises. Our  
special correspondent Ed Thomas has been to Grimsby - where  
[redacted] in four are on low incomes. That's all I have to my name.

Brexit, you've not mentioned it. The situation I'm in, I can't get  
any [redacted]. I was like this, trying to keep warm. The town's just  
getting worse and worse and worse, it's going down and down  
and down every year. These are the [redacted] of struggle and  
desperation, but all from people with a voice and a vote. £1.50,  
when you're ready. This is the community shop. [redacted] food  
for people on means-tested benefits. What would you do  
without this place? Struggle. A place for three-year-old Phoebe,  
her mum and grandmother. [redacted] one in two kids grow up in  
poverty in this area. You see it everywhere, yeah, around here,

yeah. And I've got three kids myself, so it is hard. He's [redacted]  
put chocolate in there. Michelle and John moved to Grimsby  
this year. 25p a bag. You know, it's good food. I could [redacted]  
afford to give my kids chocolate while I was living down there.  
They came from Margate, after living in a hotel for the  
homeless. How old is your daughter? Five. It crippled us, we'd  
[redacted] rock bottom. Does it feel like a big general election for you  
guys? Massive. Does it feel like something could change your  
life? Yeah, a [redacted] amount. Who is the politician who is going to  
transform the way you guys are living? It's going to [redacted]  
awful, but I like everything that Boris is talking about. For some,  
the priority is staying warm. We were all like this, bearing in  
mind we had dressing [redacted] on underneath as well. This year,  
Lucy, a single parent with two kids, has struggled to [redacted] her  
home. What were your children saying to you? Sobbing. They  
just was like this, trying to [redacted] warm. Lucy is now getting help  
from the charity National Energy Action. Do you have any [redacted]  
in politics? No. No. No. And, in some ways, I [redacted] I did, but who  
do you trust? And also with Brexit coming up as well, it's

worrying times, really. And is your vote up for grabs? Yes. Again and again, people talk to the lack of faith and trust. This [redacted]

bank has never fed so many. 57 people? In 50 minutes.

Oh, right. Oh, that's good. Most days, it's Pam who [redacted] the hungry. We've been seeing a 10% increase every [redacted] We've got a lot of zero-hours, we've got a lot of benefits, [redacted]

Universal Credits.

We're getting businesspeople, getting people who are working, who just can't [redacted]. Do you know who you're going to vote for?

Not at the [redacted], no. No, and who do you believe? Who do

you believe? You are seeing all this poverty, all this desperation.

Yes, all this desperation, every single day. And you don't [redacted] who you are going to vote for? Not at the present. Who do you believe? Who do you believe? And for some like Dwayne, who's

[redacted] on the streets this year, political loyalties are changing.

I've voted Conservatives all the time, and now I've [redacted] to

Labour. For the first time? For the first time, yeah. Returning

from the [redacted], Rachel and her son Bradley. Show them

your room. Living in temporary homeless accommodation. This

is my bedroom. When were you made homeless? The 7th of October. That's all I have to my [redacted]. What's your main [redacted] in your life right now? Making sure my son's fed and he's got a roof over his head, at the time being. If I didn't have him, I wouldn't be here. I know I wouldn't. It's because of him I'm still here. When you see [redacted] up and down the country wanting your vote, what does it mean to you? Sometimes I think they don't [redacted] it, because they don't get it, they don't understand what it's like to be [redacted]. After years of austerity, confusion over Brexit, for some here, there was little hope politics could [redacted] their lives.

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