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Q1. General Election turnout.	
10 - certain to vote	56%
9	6%
8	9%
7	5%
6	2%
5	8%
4	1%
3	1%
2	1%
1 - certain not to vote	9%
Don't know	2%

Q2. General Election voting intention. Adjusted. Base: All expressing an intention to vote.	
 Conservative	27%
 Labour	51%
 Lib Dem	17%
 Other	5%
 Lead	24%

Q3. Which of the following do you think should be allowed protection under a privacy law, from media intrusion and which should not?	
Politicians	
Allowed protection	42%
Not allowed protection	49%
Don't know	9%
Public figures such as pop stars and celebrities	
Allowed protection	53%
Not allowed protection	39%
Don't know	8%
The Royal Family	
Allowed protection	69%
Not allowed protection	26%
Don't know	5%

Crime suspects	
Allowed protection	41%
Not allowed protection	47%
Don't know	12%

Q2. Do you think homosexuality is morally acceptable or not?	
Yes	56%
No	36%
Don't know	7%

Q3. At present the age of consent for heterosexual sex is 16, and for gay homosexual sex it is 18. Do you think the age of consent for gay people should be lowered from 18 to 16 or not?	
Yes - should be lowered	26%
No - should not be lowered	69%
Don't know	6%

Q4. Do you think that being openly gay is compatible or incompatible with holding a Cabinet post or not?	
Compatible	52%
Incompatible	33%
Don't know	15%

Q5. Which of the following do you think should be Poet Laureate?	
Andrew Motion	2%
Wendy Cope	2%
James Fenton	1%
Roger McGeogh	6%
Pam Ayes	9%
Sir Paul McCartney	18%
DK/none of these	62%