



MAKE A CHANGE, BECOME A PARISH COUNCILLOR

Are you passionate about your community? Do you want to help make long-lasting change? Do you have innovative ideas for the council? Do you have concerns about a specific issue and want to do something about it? If this is you, then we need you. We need people from all backgrounds and experiences who reflect their community to put themselves forward for co-option to the Parish Council.

Following a recent resignation, the Parish Council is seeking to fill this vacancy by co-option as soon as possible. No special qualification is required to be a councillor. It is important that all sorts of people serve as councillors so that all parts of the community are represented. Parish Councillors are volunteers who give up their time to represent their community; decide finances, influence development policies, comment on Parish planning applications, identify issues important to residents, bring improvements through local projects, lobby other service providers, work with other parishes and agencies, and, most importantly, work with the community and residents they serve. Training for new councillors is also available to help you understand the responsibilities of the role.

Can I stand?

There are only a few rules. You must be:

- 18 years of age or older
- A British citizen, or a citizen of the Commonwealth, or the European Union
- Live or work in the parish, (or within 4.8 kilometres), or be registered as a local government elector for the parish

How can I get involved?

If you think you'd like to join the Parish Council or would like to know more, please get in touch with the Clerk, Kerry Rew clerk@eltonparishcouncil.gov.uk or our Chair, Ian Ross chair@eltonparishcouncil.gov.uk