

DUNSTALL PARISH COUNCIL

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COUNCILLOR VACANCY

Due to a recent resignation, Dunstall Parish Council is now seeking to elect a new councillor. The council meets 6 times a year, meetings are informal and discuss such issues as planning applications, traffic/speed concerns, village improvements etc.

If you are interested, please email, or write to the clerk and you will receive an expression of interest form to be completed by **2nd May 2024**; if more than one person comes forward a vote will be held open to all parishioners of Dunstall and the new councillor will be formally elected at the AGM to be held on 16th May 2024.

Are there any restrictions to being a Councillor?

You need to be:

British or a citizen of the Commonwealth or European Union

At least 18 years old

Registered to vote in the area or have lived, worked or have resided within three miles parish for the last twelve months.

What do councillors do?

Represent their community

Make a difference

Represent interests of residents

Councillors are elected to the local council to represent their local community, so they must either live or work within a specified distance of the area.

Becoming a councillor is both a rewarding and privileged form of public service. You will be in a position to make a difference to the quality of other people's daily lives and prospects.

Being an effective councillor requires both commitment and hard work. Councillors have to balance the needs and interests of residents, and the council. These will all make legitimate demands on a councillor's time, on top of the demands and needs of their personal and professional lives.

Why become a Councillor?

There are many reasons why people decide to become a local councillor. They include:

Wanting to make a difference and be involved in shaping the future of the local community.

Being concerned about your local area and wanting to ensure that the community gets the right services

wanting to represent the views of local people and ensure that community interests are taken into account

Wanting to contribute your business or professional skills

concerns about one particular issue

You can't be a councillor if you:

Are the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or interim order
Have been sentenced to prison for three months or more (including suspended sentences) during the 5 years before election day
Have been convicted of a corrupt or illegal practice by an election court

PARISH CLERK VACANCY

Part time clerk/responsible financial officer

Start date to be confirmed, however it would be helpful if the successful candidate could attend the AGM on 16th May to shadow the outgoing clerk.

Time required is approximately 100 hours per year.

The successful candidate will be required to attend the Parish Council meetings held on the 3rd Thursday on a bi-monthly bases ie: 6 meetings per year, including the AGM and APM, plus any extraordinary meetings called from time to time.

Applicants should be problem solvers and have experience of committee work, minute taking and keeping financial records together with strong communication and basic IT skills.

You should be able to work independently and proactively respond to issues as they arise. The successful applicant should live within easy travelling distance of Dunstall Parish. An interest in local community matters is essential and experience of local authority administration would be ideal (CiLCA trained), however training and support can be provided.

Please submit your CV and covering letter FAO the Chair, Councillor Marie Ward via e-mail - marie-ward@dunstallparishcouncil.co.uk. Closing date 2nd May 2024