

KINGS HILL PARISH COUNCIL

COUNCILLOR VACANCY

Kings Hill Parish Council currently has 1 Councillor vacancy, so we are looking to co-opt someone to take on this role. Are you interested in making a difference as you work with and serve your local community, being part of the democratic governance arrangements of the country?

This is a voluntary unpaid role, and to serve as a Parish Councillor you must be:

- a British citizen, or a citizen of the Commonwealth or the European Union, and
- 18 years or older on the day you become nominated for election
- for the whole of the 12 months prior to nomination you must:
 - have been an elector of the parish and either occupied or owned/rented premises in the parish, or
 - resided within 3 miles of the boundary of the parish, or
 - had his/her principal or only place of work in that area

You cannot stand for election if you:

- are the subject of a bankruptcy restriction order or interim order
- have, within five years before the day of the election, been convicted in the United Kingdom of any offence and have had a prison sentence (whether suspended or not) for a period of over three months without the option of a fine
- work for the council you want to become a councillor for

If you are interested in being co-opted onto the Parish Council, please email or write to the Parish Clerk: Steve Nash: clerk@kingshillparish.gov.uk, The Kings Hill Community Centre, 70 Gibson Drive, Kings Hill, Kent ME19 4LG with your CV and covering letter by the end of April 2022. Interviews will take place at a meeting of the Parish Council in May at Kings Hill Community Centre, 70 Gibson Drive, Kings Hill, Kent ME19 4LG.

If you want to find out more about what the role involves you can download the Job Description and the NALC comprehensive guide to Becoming a Councillor which is on the Parish Website www.kingshillparish.gov.uk. This guide covers the following key areas:

- What are community, parish and town councils?
- What do elected representatives do for me?
- What is a parish councillor?
- Qualification guidelines to become a parish councillor
- What do parish councils do?
- What do parish councillors do?
- How to become a parish councillor
- Further information and case studies

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Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer to the Parish Council

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