



MAKE A CHANGE – BECOME A PARISH COUNCILLOR

There is a Casual Vacancy for a Parish Councillor in Balcombe - via Co-option

WHAT DO COUNCILLORS DO?

Councillors are the champions of their community and give residents a voice on the decisions the council makes. Becoming a councillor will allow you to make a real difference in your community by engaging with residents, local groups and businesses to find out their needs; making decisions on which services and projects the council should take forward and getting involved locally to ensure the services are meeting your community's needs.

HOW MUCH TIME DOES A COUNCILLOR NEED TO DEDICATE?

Councillors put aside, on average, three hours a week for council work. This often includes attending meetings, engaging with residents and speaking on behalf of the council to other bodies. Obviously there are some councillors who spend more time than this, and some spend less, but in the main, being a parish councillor is an enjoyable way of contributing to your community and helping make it a better place to live and work.

CAN I STAND?

There are only a few rules: You must be:

- at least 18 years' old
- a British citizen, an eligible Commonwealth citizen or a citizen of any member state of the European Union, and
- Live or work in Balcombe

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

For more information contact the Parish Council and submit an application of interest by the 31st May 2025

parish.clerk@balcombeparishcouncil.com or telephone **01444 811 833**

Useful videos:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xA-VmSTxWbU&pp=ygUKd3NhbGMgMjAyMw%3D%3D>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RrvU5V0GY8&t=3s>