

COUNCILLOR PERSON SPECIFICATION

COMPETENCY	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE (NOT ESSENTIAL)
Personal Attributes	<p>An interest in local affairs and the local community.</p> <p>Forward thinking.</p>	<p>Can bring a new skill, ideas, expertise or key local knowledge to the council.</p>
Experience, skills, knowledge and ability	<p>Ability to listen constructively.</p> <p>Good communication and interpersonal skills. Able to contribute opinions at meetings and accept majority decisions.</p> <p>A good team player.</p> <p>Ability to pick up and run with a variety of projects and a solid interest in local matters.</p> <p>Desire to maintain and improve the quality of life for the local community.</p> <p>Ability and willingness to work closely with other members and to maintain good working relationships with all members.</p> <p>Ability and willingness to work with the council's partners (e.g. voluntary groups, other parish councils, principal authorities and charities).</p> <p>Ability and willingness to undertake induction training and other relevant training.</p>	<p>Experience of working or being a member in a local authority or other public body.</p> <p>Experience of working with voluntary and/or local community or committees.</p> <p>Presentation or public speaking skills.</p>
Circumstances	<p>Ability and willingness to attend meetings of the council and it's Committees (or meetings of other local authorities and local bodies) in the evening and at weekends.</p> <p>Equipped and able to communicate via e-mail.</p>	