



MEDSTEAD PARISH COUNCIL

YOUR COMMUNITY NEEDS YOU!

- **Are you aged 18 or over? Lived or worked in Medstead for over a year?**
- **Do you want to make a difference to our community?**
- **Then why not consider becoming a Parish Councillor.**

Following the May 2023 Local Elections, there are up to four vacancies to be filled on Medstead Parish Council. We want to find active, enthusiastic and committed individuals to fill these vacancies to become part of the team.

What do Parish Councils do?

As representatives of the community, the council seeks to make life enjoyable for the people of Medstead. In the past, this has included building a new children's playground with various projects including the acquisition of a new Cemetery extension, Wildflower Meadow, Village Hall car park extension, Community Area / sports pavilion upgrade. The Parish Council is also responsible for contracts for the maintenance and upkeep of the village green, Cemetery and wildflower meadow to keep Medstead looking beautiful.

What's the role of a Councillor?

There are 9 seats on the Council with members supported by a Parish Clerk. Full Council generally meets on the second Wednesday evening of the month, with councillors additionally sitting on at least one other Committee (Planning, Maintenance or Finance and General Purposes). Whilst Parish Councillors are volunteers, they may claim expenses as necessary and full training is available.

Could you be a Councillor?

We are seeking active and committed applicants. Councillors need to be people who can identify and solve problems and engage constructively with the local community, highlighting issues on their behalf. Professionalism and integrity are essential. Applicants also need to be IT literate with access to internet and emails.

How to apply

Please put together 2 or 3 paragraphs explaining what you enjoy in Medstead with any relevant experience you may have. Please include your address and also your contact details. If the Clerk confirms your eligibility for the role, you will then be invited to attend our 1st June 2023 Full Council meeting to allow you to elaborate on your application, after which existing councillors will hold a confidential ballot to decide upon the successful candidate(s).

Further information can be obtained from the Clerk on 07908 932472 or by emailing to clerk@medsteadpc.org to where applications for consideration should be sent.

The closing date for applications is 19th May 2023.