## WORKING FOR YOUR COMMUNITY

## WHY NOT BECOME A PARISH/ TOWN COUNCILLOR?

What do parish councils do?

Councils have an overall responsibility for the well being of the local community. Their work falls into three main categories

Representing the local community
Delivering services to meet very local needs
Working to improve quality of life in the parish

As a Parish or Town Councillor you will be involved in:

Decision making - Through meetings and attending committees with other elected members, councillors decide which activities to support, where local council tax money should be spent, and if resources allow what services should be delivered.

Getting involved locally - As local representatives, councillors have responsibilities towards the residents and local organisations. These responsibilities and duties often depend on what the councillor wants to achieve and how much time is available.

A local council is the best chance of having a local voice and to express a local view to those who have influence over your local community

For further details contact your local parish council clerk:

Remember nomination papers (available from the clerk) must be in by noon on 25 March – elections 5 May 2011