

Why not join Kilsby Parish Council as a Councillor?

What is Happening in Kilsby – How to Find Out and Influence

Do you want to know about changes for Kilsby.....

Do you want an opportunity to shape change

Do you want to influence spending in Kilsby

Do you want to make a difference to the community where you live

Do you want to take a proactive interest in your community

Do you want your voice to be heard

Do you want to understand where the parish council sits within the various council tiers

If you, or in fact you and a friend can say yes to any of the above, then consider applying to join Kilsby Parish Council. Vacancies can be filled at any time of year but now is a particularly good time to join as the council's New Year starts in May and we have two vacancies available.

What is the commitment? All Councillors are unpaid volunteers who give their time and knowledge. This will vary person to person. We all have busy lives but should be able to find time to help the community. We meet the second Tuesday in the month and during the month Councillors may work individually or in groups on specific projects, or a Councillor may have an ongoing role. How much time you give and what you volunteer for is your choice but working as a team and sharing responsibilities is key to being an effective Councillor.

Is there any training? New Councillors generally go on a two to three hour training course held in the evening as an introduction to what Councils do. (Currently on zoom) More specific role based courses are also available.

What will I do? Councillors generally have specific responsibilities which vary in terms of commitment. They may also get involved in one-off projects in order to improve wellbeing, facilities, safety and opportunities in Kilsby as envisaged in Kilsby's Neighbourhood Development Plan. If you have a particular interest or have identified an issue you want to get involved in we will support you.

What will I get from it? You will meet new people and have an opportunity to show communication, managing, organisational, leadership and decision making skills. You will know that you are helping individuals and the community and have a better understanding of local issues.

Why join now? The Council tier system has just changed with West Northants Council coming into being. This means that there is now only two tiers of local Government so Parish Councils will be relied on to keep the Unitary Authority in touch with the needs of the electorate.

Why me? Can you think of a reason why you should not join Kilsby Parish Council?

If you want to find out more please feel free to speak to a current Councillor, our Clerk to the Council who can be contacted at parishcouncil@kilsbyvillage.co.uk.