

1. HOW TO BECOME A COUNCILLOR

Candidates at local elections are sometimes unfamiliar with the procedures. Here are a few notes which may be of assistance.

2. ELIGIBILITY FOR NOMINATION

To be eligible for election to a County Council, a Borough Council or Parish Council, a person MUST:

- be registered as a local government elector for the town – give electoral number; or
- have occupied as owner or tenant, within the preceding 12 months, land or premises in the town – give address; or
- had their principal or only place of work, during the last 12 months, within the town – give address; or
- have, during the preceding 12 months, resided in the town or within 4.8 kilometres of it – give address.
- be 18 years of age or over - give date of birth
- Not be disqualified for holding office as a member of a local authority – see extracts from the Local Government Act 1972.
- Submit details of any political party membership.