### THORNHAM PARISH COUNCIL

# Have you thought about becoming a Parish Councillor?

### The Parish Council meets every month and our aim is 'To represent the local community in a fair, balanced and informed manner in order to improve the quality of life for all in Thornham'

#### As part of the Parish Council you will:-

#### 🗹 Have responsibility for our Open Spaces,

- Community Events
- Work to identify issues which are important to the lives of all our residents
- Work to improve the quality of life & our local environment
  - Strategically influence and shape the long term development policy for Thornham and be part of the process commenting on planning applications in the parish

#### You must be:- Over 18 years old and

- Be a British citizen or an eligible Commonwealth citizen And at least one of the 4 options shown below:-
- 🗹 Registered as a local government elector for Thornham
- Occupy as owner or tenant land or other premises in Thornham for the past 12 months or
- Work in the Parish as your principal or only place of work, or
  Live within 3 miles of the Parish.

## Anything else?

#### It would help if you are:-

Able to attend our meetings & events Want to help our local community Keen to improve our local environment Willing to represent the views of all

What will I do?



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The Parish Council has 7 Councillors who are elected for a 4 year term. You can become a Councillor by standing at the Parish Council Elections – the next elections are May 2023. The other way is by cooption.

> Our meetings are the second Wednesday of each month at 7pm

> Mattend / help at various community events during the year

🗹 Be willing to attend training

## As a Councillor you must comply with a number of legal requirements including:-

And if I'm elected or co-opted – then what?

What

commitment will I need

to make?



- 🍯 Sign your Declaration of Office
- 🗹 Abide by the `Members' Code of Conduct
- 🗹 Complete your entry in the Register of Interest
- Y But we also hope you will make a positive and effective
  - contribution to your Parish Council and our Community

What's the next step?

Watch out for information on how you can stand at the elections in May/Co-option. Details will be posted on the Noticeboards and the website at <u>https://thornhamnorfolk.co.uk/</u> and / or contact the Parish Clerk

**<u>Thornhampc@gmail.com</u>** who can forward further Information and will be happy to answer any queries.