

APPLEBY-IN-WESTMORLAND TOWN COUNCIL

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Election of Town Councillors

Appleby-in-Westmorland Town Council are looking to fill three vacant seats on the Town Council at the forthcoming County Council election which will be held on Thursday 4th May 2017.

Local Councils are involved in all aspects of the community and are consulted on a wide variety of issues that affect local people by many different organisations. Town Councillors are the elected representatives of the community and give freely of their time, skills and experience.

Appleby Mayor Cllr John Pape said "We need people who care about our community to get involved. Being a Town Councillor can be extremely challenging at times but can also be very rewarding. I would urge anyone who would like to help shape the future of the town to put themselves forward."

Town Clerk Caroline Dodgeon said "The Council is entering a really important time and is increasingly involved in shaping the long term future of our community. The Council is a partner in the recently announced Heritage Action Zone project, as well as negotiating with Eden District Council about which services can be transferred to a local level. This is a real opportunity for people to get involved and make a difference."

To be a Town Councillor you need to be a registered elector for the district of Eden who is 18 years or older. You need to have lived or worked in the Parish for at least 12 months or lived with 4.8 kilometres of the Parish for the same period.

If you are interested in finding out more please contact the Town Clerk. The Town Clerk can be contacted on 017683 51177 or via email at clerk@applebytown.org.uk. Nomination papers can be obtained from the Town Clerk during normal office hours and must be returned to Eden District Council by 4pm on Tuesday 4th April 2017.

Ends:

Notes to the Editor

1. Formally Appleby Borough Council, Appleby-in-Westmorland Town Council was formed in 1974 following local government reorganisation.

2. There are currently 13 Councillors: Cllr Mrs Anderton, Cllr Ms Blair, Cllr Connell, Cllr Chalmers, Cllr Dougherty, Cllr Mrs Dixon Dougherty, Cllr Hayes, Cllr Miss Hutchinson, Cllr Mrs Kendall, Cllr Pape, Cllr F Potts, Cllr H Potts and Cllr Rooke.
3. Cllr Pape is the Mayor and Cllr Rooke Deputy Mayor.
4. The Council meets monthly. For Council meeting dates please go to <http://www.applebytown.org.uk/index.php?page=meetings-calendar-1>
5. The Council structure currently has five committees and one working party. Committees: Finance; Planning & General Purpose; Property; Staffing and Appeals.
6. Contact: Caroline Dodgeon, Town Clerk in the first instance.
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