**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PARISH COUNCILLOR?**

**THERE ARE ELECTIONS THIS YEAR IN MAY FOR A NEW COUNCIL**

**How to Become a Councillor**

Councillors are an integral part of running the local government and work hard on behalf of the communities and residents they represent.

THERE ARE elections coming up on May 4th 2023.

If you wish to put yourself forward to be part of Corston Parish Council then read on!

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On May 4th, elections will be held to elect Councillors for Corston Parish Council.

To be able to stand as a candidate you must:

* be at least 18 years old
* be a British citizen, an eligible Commonwealth citizen or a citizen of any member state of the European Union, and
* meet at least one of the following four qualifications:
	+ You are, and will continue to be, registered as a local government elector for the parish in which you wish to stand from the day of your nomination onwards
	+ You have occupied as owner or tenant any land or other premises in the parish area during the whole of the 12 months before the day of your nomination and the day of election
	+ Your main or only place of work during the 12 months prior to the day of your nomination and the day of election has been in the parish area
	+ You have lived in the parish area or within three miles of it during the whole of the 12 months before the day of your nomination and the day of election

Should you choose to become a nominated candidate for either of the Councils, please email elections@bathnes.gov.uk to receive a nomination pack, these will be available from 21st March 2023 until 4th April 2023 at 3 p.m. A completed set of nomination papers will need to be taken personally to the Guildhall, Bath, BA1 5AW by 3pm on 4th April 2023.

You can approach a current Councillor to discuss what it is like to be one! There is a Council meeting on 1st March 2023 at the Village Hall starting at 7pm when you can see what goes on and also speak to a Councillor about the role. You can also email the Chairman of the Council who is John Bravin at his email john.bravin@gmail.com . The Clerk to the Council can be contacted on corstonparishclerk@outlook.com.