



If you became a councillor you could...

help the community to decide its own future and make Much Wenlock a better place in which to live and work.

In 2011 a Steering Group was established, whose members included town councillors and community volunteers, who together began to develop a Neighbourhood Development Plan for Much Wenlock. As a national front-runner this community led Plan was created by consulting widely with the local community through a series of events and questionnaires.

Help manage the council's business

We own property which includes:

- ❖ The Corn Exchange
- ❖ The Buttermarket
- ❖ The Pound
- ❖ The Gaskell Recreation Ground
- ❖ The Cooke Clock
- ❖ Chapel and cemetery

There is real opportunity and challenge to make even better use of these buildings in the future.

Help improve ...

the green spaces and facilities the community enjoys. The Town Council owns the Gaskell Recreation Ground and, if you join our team, you can take an active part in improving this much treasured community asset.

Help conserve...

the wonderful history of the town. If you join our team you can help us take care of the town's rich heritage.



The completed Plan was adopted as local policy in July 2014 and it is now being used to ensure that the right scale and type of development is delivered as the community has asked for through consultation.

The Plan needs to be reviewed in 2017 and, if you join our team, you could become a member of the council's Planning & Environment Committee which comments on planning applications in the parish.



MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Local elections will be held in May 2017 and we are looking for councillors to join our team. Further details and an information pack can be obtained from the Town Clerk.

If you would like to speak to one of our current councillors about what it is like being a town councillor you will find their contact details on our website at: [http://www.muchwenlock-tc.gov.uk/council-members/Help improve](http://www.muchwenlock-tc.gov.uk/council-members/Help%20improve)

You can also find election materials and guides at:

SALC Webpage

<http://www.alcshropshire.co.uk/elections>

NALC Elections Webpage

<http://www.nalc.gov.uk/our-work/elections>

NALC 'It Takes All Sorts' (information for prospective candidates)

<http://www.nalc.gov.uk/publications>

"Be a Councillor" website

<http://beacouncillor.co.uk/>

'Become a Councillor' website

<https://www.gov.uk/government/get-involved/take-part/become-a-councillor>

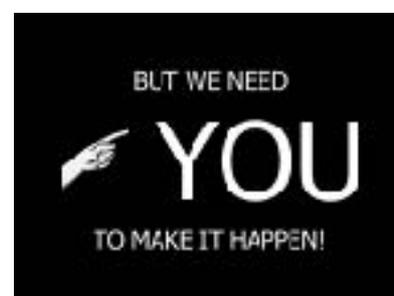
Be a Councillor – Local Government Association

<http://www.local.gov.uk/be-a-councillor>

Electoral Commission "Candidates and agents at parish and community council elections in England and Wales"

<http://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/i-am-a/candidate-or-agent/parish-and-community-council-elections-in-england-and-wales>

Reductions in local government funding mean that some local services are at risk. In an attempt to find the best way of maintaining services that are important to our local community councillors are in negotiations with Shropshire Council. Services under discussion that we want to keep include the library, museum, open space, and car parks.



If you are concerned about your local area and want to help us maintain community services you can join our team.

We need people with business and personal skills and other expertise to help us redesign local service provision for the benefit of our local community.