

Why I Want to be a Town Councillor

I have lived in the town for over thirty years and was born and grew up in the county. I have also lived in other places overseas and in this country in towns, cities and the countryside and I know what it is like to be new in a place.

I have work experience in the statutory, community and voluntary and business sectors in a wide range of industries, many of which are present in this town.

I was born and grew up in the county and attended Doverly Down, Gilbert Inglefield and Vandyke Upper Schools. I am currently a Governor at Cedars Upper School where my son attends. I also advise Central Bedfordshire Council on education issues in this capacity.

I am particularly interested in the towns green spaces, animals and wildlife, and regularly walk in the parks in the town. My favourite thing in the world to do is feed and look after animals which I really enjoy.

I have a BSc(Hons) in Agriculture and think it is important that Leighton-Linslade is in touch with the rural communities the town serves.

I have enjoyed being part of many of the town councils events and I am currently secretary of the Leighton-Linslade Carnival Committee.

I visit the market regularly and shop local. I think it is important that small scale local businesses are supported as well as major chains as they provide interesting and individualised shopping experiences for people in the town.

I have been a frequenter of the town's many pubs and restaurants and as a not so brilliant cook myself I like the good food and the company you meet there.

A former classical guitar and violin player I like live music of all kinds and as a councillor would seek to encourage this more in the town.

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