

Yattendon Parish Council

Parish Council Elections

Following our article in last month's issue, covering the local elections for all three parishes, we'd like to remind you that the deadline for submitting your nomination papers is 4pm on the 4th April. They need to be delivered to the West Berkshire Council Offices by hand.

The council will find out on 5th April how many people have applied for election to the council. If there are no more than 6 applicants, the applicants will be elected in an uncontested election and there will be no local parish council vote on 4th May (you will still need to vote for your District Councillor to stand on West Berkshire Council on this date). There must be a minimum of 3 councillors for the council to be able to function. If there are more than 6 applicants, you will need to vote for your parish council members.

Don't forget that from these local elections onwards, it will be a requirement to provide Voter ID if you are voting in person. You will not need this if you register for a postal vote. You can check what types of photo ID are accepted and find out how to obtain a voter authority certificate if you don't have valid photo ID (you need to apply by 5pm on Tuesday 25th April) here:

<https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/i-am-a/voter/voter-id>

Following on from the Elections

The first meeting at which your new Parish Council will meet takes place on Thursday 11th May. At this meeting, your council will elect a Chair and Deputy Chair for the following year.

Annual Parish Meeting

However, before we get to the elections, the Annual Parish Meeting takes place on Wednesday 19th April at 7pm in the Village Hall. This is a chance for you to come and find out more about the activities of your Parish Council over the past year and also hear from local organisations such as Yattendon Estate. Everyone is welcome at this meeting, so we'd love to see you there!

Recent Updates

At the February meeting, the council agreed to make a donation of £100 towards the Coronation event in the village.

The council now has six possible locations to use the speed indicator device (SID) within the village (see the map). We share this device with Hampstead Norreys Parish Council, who have been putting it to good use in Hampstead Norreys. If we haven't already deployed it in the village by the time you receive this, we will be doing so very shortly.

