

DO YOU WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

How to become a councillor



Why become a councillor?

There are many reasons why you may decide to become a councillor:

- To make a difference to your community
- To represent the views of local people
- To pursue political beliefs

Useful Contacts

External contacts which may be useful for you to find out further information:

- Local Government Association (LGA)

www.lga.gov.uk

- Levelling Up, Housing and Communities

www.communities.gov.uk

- Directgov—public services all in one place

www.direct.gov.uk

- Electoral Commission

www.electoralcommission.org.uk

Rossendale Borough Council Elections Office:

Elections Manager

Email: elections@rossendalebc.gov.uk

Telephone: 01706-252445/46

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Bacup Rossendale OL13 0BB

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Website: www.rossendale.gov.uk

Further information on becoming a councillor can be found by visiting our website.

How do I qualify?

There are three basic qualifications to stand for election, which are, that on the day of nomination, you must be:

- 18 years of age or over
- A British citizen, an eligible Commonwealth citizen or a citizen of any member state of the European Union
- Registered to vote in your local area or have lived or worked there for at least 12 months prior to election

I'd like to become a councillor. What do I do next?

You will need to obtain a nomination pack from the Elections Office and be proposed and seconded by electors of the ward in which you are standing for election.

When completing your nomination, please note:

- The people supporting your nomination must not have signed a nomination for any other candidate.

