**Great opportunity to make a difference in your community.**

It is a great time to get involved in the village and community and look to the future of our community. We’ve had some great insight from our residents through our survey and we are looking at developing those ideas alongside those you may also have. We want you to be part of the team that creates that vision it’s a great opportunity to develop or use your skills.

We are looking for a new member for our Parish Council and welcome applications from our community.

**What's involved?**

Having a passion for their community, Parish Councilors are **volunteers** who meet once a month. Our mission is to maintain and improve the village for all and you can support this by proposing or getting involved in local projects, research and local conversations bringing your skills and expertise to the council and our village.

**What is the role of the Parish Council?**

We are here for the local residents of Heddon on the Wall and support the provision of services and facilities. These range from our outdoor community spaces and play areas, to libraries and allotments. There is a list of the activities that a Parish Council has the power to provide but we work in collaboration with other local volunteer groups and professional bodies to help make Heddon on the Wall a great place to live.

**Want to find out more?**

If you’re interested but would like to understand a bit more, please contact our Parish Clerk Louise Pringle at heddonpc@gmail.com or call on 01661 854583. Louise can also put you in touch with current Parish Councillors if you would like an informal chat

**How to apply**

We need to officially confirm your eligibility so there is a simple form for you to complete and an opportunity for you to tell us a little bit more about yourself. Once we have your application, we will invite you to meet the Parish Council and take your application forward. Full details are given on the eligibility application. Closing date for applications Friday 4th March 2022

**The official bit!**

* As there is no election imminent then a co-option procedure will be followed for this vacancy.
* Councilors are not paid and have to abide by a local government code of conduct.
* The Parish Council is a statutory body and therefore can only do the things for which the law gives a power.
* A copy of the good councilors Guide will be emailed to each potential applicant.
* Training is available and support will be found from colleagues and the Clerk to the Council.
* The successful applicants will be the one who receives the majority of votes at a meeting 0f the Parish Council, should there be a tie it may be necessary to repeat the process until a majority is reached.