

Would you like to make a difference in South Brent - why not become a Councillor?

**Come and find out more information on Monday 13th March from
7 – 7.30 pm at Palstone Recreation Ground**

Every four years, Parish Councils are required to hold an election for membership of the Council. The local elections are being held on Thursday 4th May 2023 and it is your chance to vote.

A Parish Council is the local authority that makes decisions on behalf of the people of the Parish and makes representations to other bodies, such as planning, South Hams, Dartmoor National Park. It is the first place residents go to with concerns or suggestions. Ideally Councillors should come from all age groups and represent a wide demographic, and care about the community. We have 12 seats on our Council and one of them could be yours.

Are you Eligible

Any resident of South Brent who:

- Is at least 18 years old
- Is a British citizen, eligible Commonwealth citizen or a citizen of any other member state of the European Union (This still applies)
- you are, and will continue to be, registered as a local government elector for the Parish in which you wish to stand from the day of your nomination onwards;
- your main or only place of work during the 12 months prior to the day of your nomination and the day of election has been in the parish/community area;
- you have lived in the Parish or within three miles of it during the whole of the 12 months before the day of your nomination and the day of election;
- you have occupied as owner or tenant any land or other premises in the Parish during the whole of the 12 months before the day of your nomination and the day of election.

The Council meets 12 times a year, plus some committee meetings, on a Monday evening at Palstone Recreation Ground. It is your chance to make a difference and shape the future of the community.

Alternatively come along to one of our other meetings, speak to a current councillor or contact Jane Sullivan at clerk@southbrent.gov.uk
For further information, please look at our website southbrent.gov.uk,

A really good introduction to the work of Parish Councils is [Good-Councillors-guide-2016.pdf \(askyourcouncil.uk\)](#)

You can find even more information at [Become a councillor - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/become-a-councillor)