

Belbroughton and Fairfield Parish Council

New Council in May

There will not be a contested election on 2nd May in either of the two wards as there were not more nominations than positions available. There were eight nominations for Belbroughton and two for Fairfield. It follows that there are vacancies in Fairfield and the Council will be in a position to co-opt new members from 13th May onwards. Please speak to the clerk if you would like to be considered for the role.

Three longstanding councillors retire from your council in May and at the recent Annual Parish Meeting Cllr. Bob Morgan, current Vice - Chairman paid a warm tribute to Cllrs. James Bradley, Chris Scurrrell and Trevor Jones for their time and service over many years. You should be aware that parish councillors are volunteers and give their commitment and energy for the benefit of the community without any form of payment.

Worcs C.Council Chief Executive

Mr Paul Robinson the chief executive of your County Council will be attending our 3rd June Council meeting to meet with councillors and residents. He will take questions and give us an insight into the workings at 'County'. His role of course is not political, he enacts the wishes of the elected members.

Grants

The council has approved making available £5000 for Capital Grants and £1000 for Minor Grants for 2019. The application forms and notes on criteria are on the website or can be obtained by post from the clerk. Applications are required to be received by 31st May 2019.

Community Engagement

The Council holds an 'Open Surgery' session of up to 15 minutes at the beginning of full Council meetings to give residents the opportunity to meet and discuss any issues directly with their councillors.