DOGMERSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Vacancy for Parish Councillor

There is a casual vacancy for a Parish Councillor following the resignation of Councillor Graham Chisnall.

If you are interested in joining the team of volunteer councillors and making a difference in the community then please contact the Parish Clerk, Samantha Rowe via email: clerk@dogmersfield-pc.gov.uk

The Parish Clerk will provide you with an Application Form. Completed Application Forms should be returned to the Parish Clerk by: **Wednesday 4th October**.

If you would like further information on the role of a parish councillor within Dogmersfield and the commitment involved, please contact any of the current councillors. Names and e-mail addresses can be found on the Dogmersfield Parish Council website. www.dogmersfield-pc.gov.uk

Qualification Criteria

A person is qualified to be a councillor if they are a British, Commonwealth, Irish or European Union citizen and on the relevant day (that is, the day of nomination / application) they are 18 or over. In addition, the person must meet at least one of the following criteria:

- On the relevant day and thereafter they continue to be on the electoral register for the parish, or
- During the whole of the twelve months before that day they have owned or tenanted land or premises in the parish, or
- During the whole of the twelve months before that day their principal or only place of work has been in the parish, or
- During the whole of the twelve months before that day they have resided in the parish or within three miles of it. Except for qualification (a), these qualifications then continue for the full term of office, until the next ordinary elections. Certain people are disqualified from standing, and these include paid officers (including the Clerks) of the council, bankrupts and those subject to recent sentences of imprisonment.

The Hart Elections Officer has been advised of the vacancy. If 10 people on the electoral roll for Dogmersfield contact the Elections Officer by **Tuesday 26th September** requesting an election, then an election will be called. Otherwise the vacancy will be filled by co-option.