

Skipton Town Council- Your Council

Who are the Town Council?

The Town Council is made up of 4 wards- North, South, East and West.

Each Ward has 4 Councillors representing the electorate in that ward. Visit our website to see who your Councillors are.

Decisions are made on your behalf by local government every day. The way you vote can influence the details of how these services are provided.

What does Skipton Town Council do?

The Full Council meets 6 times a year, with Committees delegated to specific areas of work such as the Market and Events. The Full Council raise the precept which is the amount charged on the Council Tax Bill. This money is used for the management of parks, allotments, some litter and dog bin emptying, the operation of Skipton Market, Planning Events such as the Christmas Markets, Christmas Light Switch on and Sheep day and civic events such as Remembrance Sunday.

Why is it important to vote in local elections?

Vote for the candidate that you feel best represents you and your interests.

Councillors have a crucial say on how and what services are provided in your community.

Your money is at stake- Councillors make decisions on how taxpayers money is spent.

Voting in elections is an important way to make your voice heard on the issues that concern you. It is central to the way in which our democracy works.

How can I become a councillor?

To be a town councillor, a person must meet the criteria set out in the Local Government Act 1972, Section 79 and that information on all of the qualifications available can be found at:

[Qualifications | Electoral Commission](#)

How do I apply?

To apply to be a candidate in an election please contact Democratic Services at North Yorkshire Council, or contact the Clerk at Skipton Town Council. You will need 2 people who live within your ward that you are standing for to nominate you and second you. You can also nominate someone else if you feel there is someone who would be a good candidate.

Find out more about Skipton Town Council

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