



**Horsham  
District  
Council**

### **Appointment of an 'Independent Person'**

Horsham District Council invites applications from anyone who wishes to take on the role of 'Independent Person' to assist it in its duty of promoting and maintaining high standards of councillor conduct.

By law, the council's procedures for handling complaints about the conduct of councillors must include the involvement of at least one person independent of the council. That person, when appointed, will need to be ready to attend meetings, to participate in discussions and to give views during any formal hearing.

We are looking for someone who wants to be involved in securing probity and integrity in public life. Applicants will need to be independently minded, impartial, objective, possess good communication skills and be able to work as part of a team.

The successful applicant will need to be available to attend meetings from time to time during the day, amounting perhaps to one day a month on average. In view of the requirement for daytime meetings the council has two Independent Persons either of whom may be called upon to give a view on any given matter.

This role pays an annual allowance, in addition to the recovery of relevant expenses. The appointment will be for a fixed term of four years.

For an informal discussion please contact Paul Cummins, Monitoring Officer, on 01403 215435.

For an application form and information pack, please contact the Committee Services Team on 01403 215465 or email [CommitteeServices@horsham.gov.uk](mailto:CommitteeServices@horsham.gov.uk)

Applications will need to be returned to us by Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November.