

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST IN THE POSITION OF WEST HORSLEY PARISH COUNCILLOR

Anna Mitchell

I would like to express my great interest in joining West Horsley Parish Council and after reviewing the advert on the Parish Council's website, I would like to submit my expression of interest for consideration. As you know, I recently resigned as a member of East Horsley Parish Council, having joined over 18 months ago. We live in West Horsley (Woodside), and although I enjoyed serving on East Horsley Parish Council, I obviously feel a strong, personal draw to West Horsley.

I moved to West Horsley with my husband and our little boy two years ago. We love village life and are very keen to play our part in all aspects of our local community. We regularly get involved in village activities, particularly parish council events, and are keen to support a thriving village community. My husband and I are well connected, through our son's nursery (Footprints), to the many young families that live in the Parish and I'm particularly keen to ensure their perspectives and views are represented at the Parish Council.

All areas of the Parish Council's work interest me, but I am particularly interested in the history and heritage of the village and am a committed sustainability champion. I am Co-Chair of the Client Action Network group alongside Catherine Young. At East Horsley, I sat on the Planning Committee, reviewing and considering planning applications ahead of them going to the Borough. This is an area of work I particularly enjoyed and I'm keen to be involved in for West Horsley.

I'm a full-time working mum, Head of Marketing for one of the largest housing associations in the UK. I previously ran my own communications consultancy. I'm also currently studying for a master's level qualification in business leadership. While my professional background is in communications and marketing, my skillset more broadly encompasses writing, a creative mindset and a positive approach.

I love gardening (I'm a member of the Horsley Garden Society), running (I recently completed the Horsley Hustle), walking and generally being out in nature. I'm also a keen horse rider and try to paint when I can - oil paints are my favourite medium.

I'd really welcome joining your team.

Anna Mitchell