



Aidan Meldrum

Please write a short statement to tell us why you would like to join the Parish Council:

I feel privileged to live in the beautiful village of Robertsbridge and am proud to be part of such a vibrant and historic community. I recognise and greatly appreciate the dedication and hard work that goes into preserving the character of the village while ensuring it remains a welcoming and a thriving place for residents of all ages.

As a Parish Councillor, I would be committed to giving my time, skills and enthusiasm to support this ongoing work. I am passionate about representing the interests of the local residents, working collaboratively with fellow councillors, organisations and authorities to ensure the voices of our community are heard. I would strive to help maintain a clean, safe and sustainable environment, while supporting the provision of the services, facilities and resources needed to enable Robertsbridge to flourish both now and for future generations.

Please write a brief profile of yourself:

I am married with four children and recently retired following a successful and rewarding career in the insurance industry, based in the City of London. During my career, I have held a number of senior management positions at leading Lloyds Broking houses that required extensive international travel and collaboration with clients and colleagues across the globe. These roles enabled me to develop strong leadership, communication, problem solving and relationship building skills.

My work also required me to demonstrate strong negotiation skills, a thorough understanding of contractual matters and the ability to analyse complex issues and identify practical solutions. In addition, I am proficient in IT, report writing and public speaking.

Outside of my professional life, I enjoy spending time with family and friends and being actively involved in my local community. I am a keen motorcyclist and together with a group of friends known as the 'Silver Foxes' (a light hearted reference to our collective hair colour) enjoy touring on the Continent. I also have a keen interest in personal fitness, historical reading and trying to learn French

Since retiring, I have continued to put my professional experience to good use through voluntary work with the Citizens Advice Bureau. I also provide 'Expert Witness' services to the Commercial Court in matters relating to Marine Insurance law and practise, allowing me to remain engaging in a field in which I have extensive knowledge.