



Hi my name is Quentin, I'm married and we have lived in Holmbury since 2016. Having recently retired after 25 years service at GSK(Pharma) as a software developer/program manager. I now have time to commit to a new challenge of parish councillor.

My contributions to the village have been helping with the annual bonfire night, particularly the firework build and display team. I have also supported other village activities, including the Queens Coronation and summer BBQ's. I have always been impressed with how the villagers work together to provide the community with events and activities for all to enjoy.

Having attended the recent village meeting regarding the spate of burglaries, speeding and lack of parking. It was good to see so many residents join together to try and come up with solutions. It made me realise that by becoming a parish councillor I could possibly make a positive contribution to the village and local area.

My main reason for applying would be to ensure that Holmbury has a voice at the local parish meetings. I am also very pleased that Russell has also applied, choice is important to residents. We need to ensure that

Holmbury's views are considered; that we receive the right services and have a say in shaping the future of the community.

Having looked up the role of a parish councillor it seems that the local council are responsible for a wide range of services which include areas that not only interest me but I feel need to be addressed in Holmbury.

Road Safety - Speeding is a concern and even though we have a very active speed watch committee, cars regularly use Holmbury as a 'rat-run' often speeding through the village. Some traffic calming measures are in place but not enough to adequately slow the vehicles. Our borough councillor Bob Hughes has been a great advocate for this but I would like to revisit this issue and see what more can be done.

Parking - Hurtwood control are considering charging for parking on any green areas within the Hurtwood area. This would include the bonfire area opposite the village hall. This could have a detrimental effect when hiring out the village hall and impact fund raising activities which are used for the hall upkeep and other social events.

Burglaries - This is very much a matter for Surrey Police. I believe a neighbourhood watch scheme has been set up (signs have recently appeared in the village) and a Holmbury Neighbours WhatsApp group exists. What more can be done to communicate information to all residents in particular the vulnerable.

I want to be someone that you would feel confident in and who has Holmbury's best interests at all times.

Please consider me for your local parish councillor on 14 November.