

## LARGER COUNCILS COMMITTEE NOMINATION FORM

Candidates should complete the nomination form by 13 September 2019 and sent it to NALC at [nalccommittees@nalc.gov.uk](mailto:nalccommittees@nalc.gov.uk).

<b>Title</b>	Cllr
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<b>Council name</b>	Yate TC
<b>County association</b>	Avon
<b>Occupation</b>	Retired Academic Computer Manager
<b>Professional qualifications</b>	
<b>Are you a member of any professional bodies (if yes, please specify)?</b>	

Position applied for (please mark appropriate box):	
Councillor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Clerk	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Why are you standing for your selected position (include relevant experience, skills and qualification gained through work, home, community and/or voluntary activities. As well as details of other achievements to date that will support your nomination)?**

I have been a member of Yate Town Council since 1983 and held many position as Chair of Cmte and Town Mayor. I have also been a member of South Gloucestershire Council and it's predecessors councils since 1983.

I have been a member of the Avon Calc during most of that time - NALC rep since 2011 - member of the Management Board since December 2017, Member of Larger Councils' Cmte since May 2015 directed elected 2015 & 2017.

Yate Town Council is largest member Council in Avon with Budget of £1.3M. We have taken over Youth Services within the Town; we run all play areas and tow larger Parks which we run with support from User Groups. Kingsgate Park has won regional awards from Britain in Bloom and

During my time on the Yate TC we have grown from having a Part Time Clerk based in a Portacabin to having a staff of 30 providing Sports, Parks, Play and Youth Work. We bought an about to be demolished Victoria's Mansion and turned it into a Town Hall and Council Chamber providing a Wedding Venue and offices for Community Groups

I believe that NALC is important to represent the Town/Parish Council sector to Government and the public. Larger Councils can demonstrate what is possible with local and democratically accountable bodies.

**Outline three key achievements that are relevant to the work of the Larger Councils Committee**

Armadillo Youth Cafe and Venue, a £1.5 M facility which is open 7 days per week - all year round. Developed in partnership with South Gloucestershire Council. Now solely owned and operated by Yate TC after SG Council stopped its financial contribution.

Yate Outdoor Sports Complex. Started by Yate TC and expanded with support first by Northavon District Council and then with Avon CC (both merged into South Gloucestershire Council). For a while run (down) by SG Council - the Town Council has taken on full responsibility for YOSC and has now put a new all weather track in place and has completely relaid an all weather hockey/football pitch.

Kingsgate Park, originally South Gloucestershire run, the Town Council has taken it over in exchange for reduction of Special Expenses Council Tax for the Town. Working with a Friends Group the Council has provided a very large Adventure Play Area; up graded other play equipment. An Outdoor Gym is being installed. The TC provides Annual music festival (Yate Rocks) with local bands and dance groups; Easter Egg hunt and other events.

## Set out your vision for NALC and how it can improve the service(s) it provides to members, specifically focussing on larger local councils

NALC needs to be the champion of our sector to the sector itself, Government and the public.

Our Councillors are the largest body of volunteers. We need to make sure that the scale of our volunteering is recognised and valued. We need to make sure that the expertise of our Towns and Parishes is recognised so that they are seen to be delivering quality services in partnership in an efficient and effective manner. There is no other such organisation that can offer so much volunteer input.

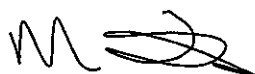
To do this NALC needs to have sufficient qualified staff and work in new ways to promote what local councils have to offer.

NALC needs to be effective in communicating with members both Councillors and Councils.

## Declaration

I declare that to the best of my knowledge the information given on this form is correct and can be copied and distributed to other NALC members.

Signature

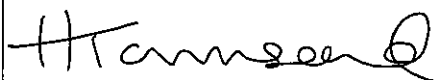


Date

11 September 2019

I declare that the nomination form has been endorsed by the local council and that it's a larger local council.

Signature



Date

11 September 2019

