

# West Hill Parish Council Election 18th November 2021

#### How to vote:

- In person Polling Station: West Hill Village Hall, open from 7am to 10pm
- By post if you are registered for postal voting

The election is managed by East Devon District Council (EDDC). For more information please check the EDDC website <a href="www.eastdevon.gov.uk">www.eastdevon.gov.uk</a> or telephone 01404 515616.

# Candidates

Peter Bennett, MA (Oxon), MBA (Aston), MPhil (Exeter).



I have lived in West Hill village for 24 years having retired as a Police Superintendent to pursue research in *criminal* prevention (as distinct from *crime* prevention) within a context of ecological policing. I was a pioneer in what is now called 'Green' action. Indeed I once changed the blue lamp to a green lamp and switched the force vehicle fleet to unleaded petrol well before it became compulsory. Briefly, throughout my police career, I dealt with all the usual problems in a community and only used prosecution when necessary. I was a 24 hour village bobby with my own station in a West Midlands rural village very similar to West Hill. I have worked

in drugs, child protection, road traffic & safety, collision investigation, crime investigation, research & development, animals both wild and domestic, environmental crime, victim support and multi-agency partnership development. I have researched Fear of Crime and Freedom under the Law in Canada, North America, New Zealand and Australia. My approach to policing was not as it is now practised. I was a peace and prevention officer first and a law enforcement officer second. Policing is more about health than law.

After my research involving young offenders, I worked with charities in Scotland and England to help persistent offenders 'grow straight'. I found that many children and young people with behavioural problems had various health, biochemical and nutritional issues which could be eased through diet and supplemental nutrients to correct imbalances, toxicity and deficiencies.

So, what do I offer West Hill if elected to the Parish Council? An independent and experienced mind applied to problems in the environment and community which affect individuals, families and organisations. I will apply the four E's: Environment, Economy, Effectiveness and Efficiency.

This poster has been produced by West Hill Parish Council with the kind support of all three candidates.



#### **Andrew Gorton**



I've been a West Hill resident since Feb 2018. I'm married with two boys aged 11 And 14.

Converted a business premises in West Hill to a house.

Worked in the public and private sectors, early on at the UK telecommunications regulator and later as a Legal and Regulatory

Director at one company and Group Head of Regulatory Affairs at a multinational corporation.

Lived and worked for telecommunications companies in several countries.

Now a telecommunications and regulatory consultant and owner of a property business. Broadband is an area of interest and experience.

I would continue to explore options for West Hill residents to obtain better broadband.

I would act in accordance with the priorities of West Hill residents and seek value for money when doing so.

### Guy Newman



Hello, and thank you for taking the time to read about my nomination to represent you as a councillor on the Parish Council for West Hill. I have lived in village for over four years and prior to that in East Devon since 2010. As an active member of the community, I would love to support the work of the Parish Council and represent the concerns, hopes and joys that we all have from time to time.

I am an arts professional for Exeter Northcott. Working in the arts sector for nearly 20 years I have excellent communication and more

importantly, listening skills - two vital qualities that I could bring to West Hill Parish Council.

A little more about me...I live on the corner of School Lane, just across from the War Memorial. You may see me walking the streets of West Hill with my border collie, called Danny. He is a friendly yet 11 year old boy with fading eyesight...much like me. I have no hair but a tidy beard and a ready easy smile. As well as being the Sales & Ticketing Manager for the Northcott Theatre I work as a freelance audio describer. I provide verbal commentary for those who are blind or partially sighted and would love to support all of those in our community with any additional needs and secure a safe and supportive environment for all.