

# **County Councillors Report July 2024.**

## **Mid Leicestershire Election results**

Counting complete

Change compared with 2019

1. Conservative, Peter Bedford
  - Votes 17,735
  - Share 36.9%
  - Share change -25.3
2. Labour, Robert Martin
  - Votes 15,534
  - Share 32.3%
  - Share change +6.7
3. Reform UK, Tom Smith
  - Votes 8,923
  - Share 18.6%
  - Share change +18.6
4. Green, Tony Deakin
  - Votes 3,414
  - Share 7.1%
  - Share change +3.0
5. Liberal Democrat, Ian Bradwell
  - Votes 2,444
  - Share 5.1%
  - Share change -2.9

I would like to offer my congratulations to Peter Bedford for becoming Mid Leicestershire's first ever MP. This is a new constituency born out of the new boundary changes. It will be a pleasure to work with him on behalf of the residents that I represent.

## **Independent Persons application now open**

A recruitment drive is underway for up to six independent persons to support the promotion and maintenance of high standards of conduct by Councillors and Senior Chief Officers at Leicestershire County Council and the Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Combined Fire Authority.

The County Council and the Combined Fire Authority are required to seek the views of independent advisers before making decisions on cases relating to potential breaches of their codes of conduct, or any proposal to dismiss a senior officer.

The County Council is on the hunt for up to six people to fill these important roles.

Anyone with the ability to take a fair and objective view on complex issues and an interest in local government and politics is encouraged to find out more.

Applicants should have:

- Knowledge of local government and the political process

- A strong commitment to high standards and ethics in public life and enthusiasm for understanding the frameworks in place
- The ability to analyse complex situations and legal requirements, be objective and communicate effectively

The four-year, fixed-term role is not salaried but expenses will be reimbursed.

Applications are welcomed from people over the age of 18 from all backgrounds and geographical areas of Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland.

People who have served as a councillor, worked for Leicestershire County Council or the Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland Combined Fire Authority during the last five years are not eligible to apply. This also includes anyone who is a relative or friend of a councillor or officer or has engaged in local political activity.

For further details please visit: [www.leicestershire.gov.uk/jobs](http://www.leicestershire.gov.uk/jobs)

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The closing date for applications is 17 July 2024

**Finally** I would also like to thank you all for your continued support and remind you that should you need my help or advice, I always pride myself on making myself available to residents. Remember I am only a phone call or email away.

***Ozzy O'shea.***

***Always Working for you Locally.***

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