

Braunstone Town Council



April 2023 – March 2024

Expenditure: £937,738

Business Income: £158,703

Use of Reserves: £3,000

Precept Income: £776,035

CAPITAL PROJECTS: £439,353

Annual Savings: £13,915 net

- **Body Corporate**, i.e. a legal entity in its own right (e.g. it has its own assets)
- **Council** collectively and legally constituted, is the sovereign body
- **Subject to and accountable to the Law.** including own internal operations.



21 Councillors

28 Staff positions



Town Councillor



Councillors have three main components to their work.

Decision Making – in Council and Committees, deciding policies, priorities, where money should be spent and what services should be provided.

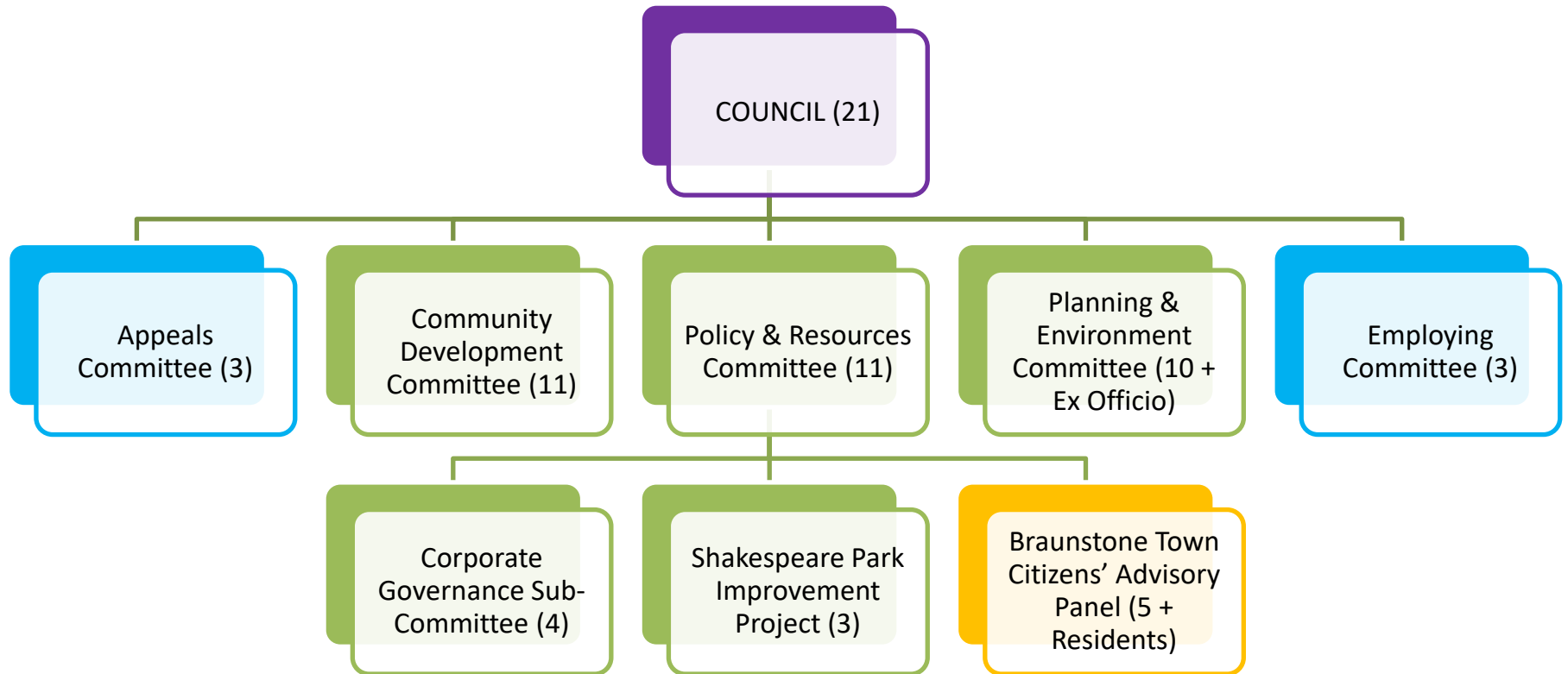
Monitoring – decisions to ensure efficient and effective services.

Community Representative – engaging with constituents and local organisations. This element of the role will depend on what the councillor wants to achieve and may include:

- Going to meetings of local organisations
- Going to meetings of organisations affecting the wider community
- Taking up issues on behalf of members of the public
- Acting as a signpost for Council Services



Council & Committees



BRAUNSTONE TOWN COUNCIL

Serving the Communities of Braunstone Town & Thorpe Astley

Councils need people standing for election who reflect their community. Those who are capable, vibrant, energetic and engaged, with a commitment to local people and a passion for change. No experience is necessary

What matters in your local area?

- Things for young people to do?
- Community Safety?
- Parks & Open Spaces?
- Something else?

Decisions made by councillors affect the lives of everyone in your area. Contested seats strengthen democracy for us all.



QUALIFICATIONS AND EXCEPTIONS

To **qualify**, you must:

- be either a British, Commonwealth or European Union citizen;
- on the day of the election (i.e. 4th May 2023) be 18 years of age or over; and
- not be debarred from standing as a Councillor.

and meet at least one of the following four qualifications:

1. a local government elector in Braunstone Parish; or

have during the whole of the 12 months preceding the day of the election:

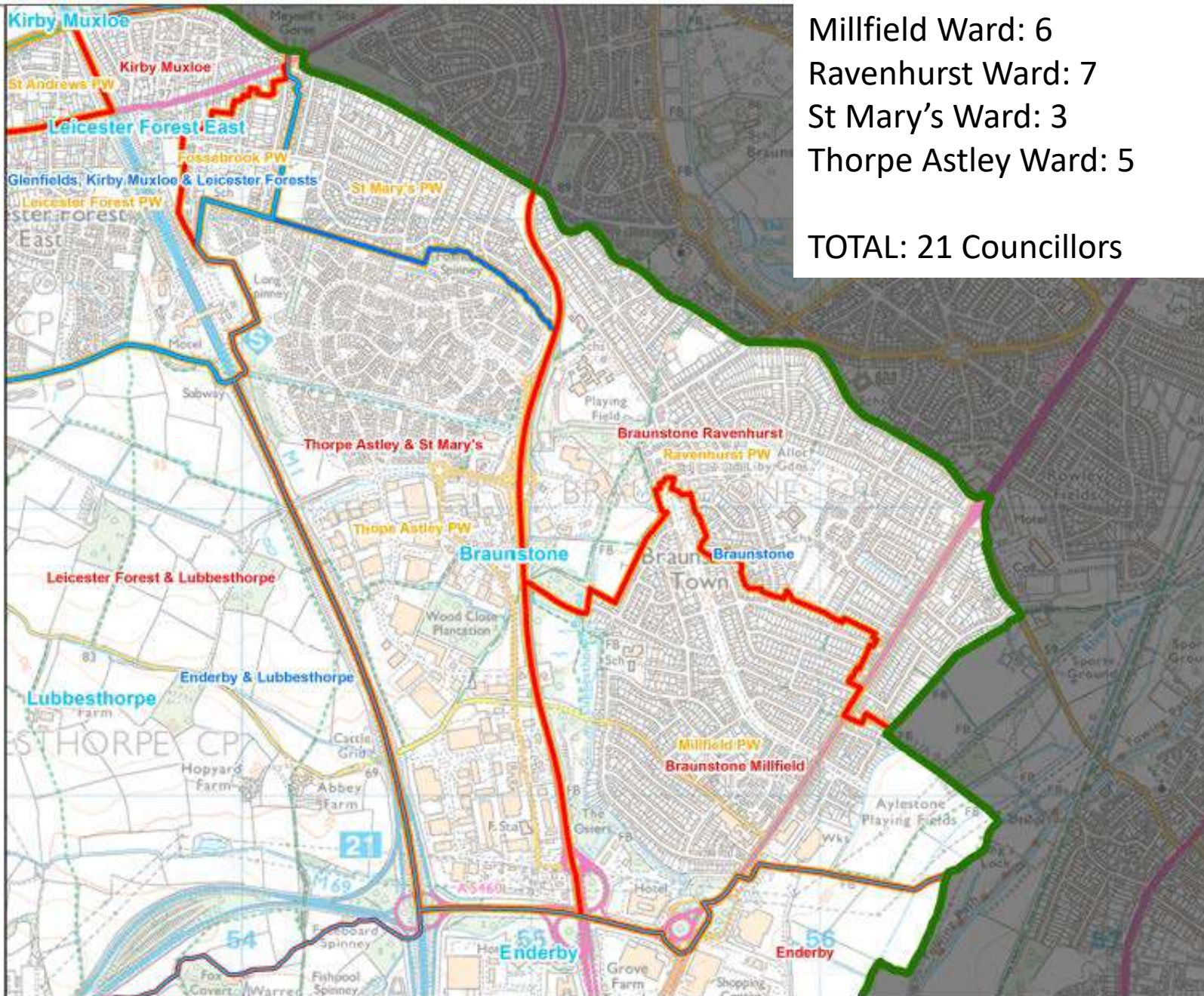
2. occupied as owner or tenant any land or other premises in Braunstone Parish; or
3. had your principal or only place of work in Braunstone Parish; or
4. resided in Braunstone Parish or within three miles of the Parish boundary.

You **cannot be a Councillor** if you:

1. are subject of a bankruptcy restriction order or interim order
2. have, within five years, been convicted in the United Kingdom of any offence and have had a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period of over three months without the option of a fine
3. are employed by the Council you want to become a councillor for (i.e. Braunstone Town Council).

Parish Warding Arrangements for Braunstone parish

-  District
-  Parish
-  Blaby Final Recommendation
-  Division
-  Parish Ward



Millfield Ward: 6
Ravenhurst Ward: 7
St Mary's Ward: 3
Thorpe Astley Ward: 5

TOTAL: 21 Councillors

Election Timetable (District & Parish)

- Publication of Notice of Election – 22nd March
- Nomination period - 22nd March – 4pm 4th April
- Withdrawal of Candidate – 4pm 4th April
- Appointment of election agents – 4pm 4th April
- Persons Nominated Published – 4pm 5th April
- Polling day – Thursday 4th May
- Election count – Friday 5th May
- Return of Election Expenses – 1st June

Nomination

Contact Electoral Services at Blaby District Council on 0116 272 7560 or email electoral@blaby.gov.uk, for a Nomination Pack.

We, the undersigned, being local government electors for the said *electoral division/ward, do hereby assent to the foregoing nomination *Delete whichever is inappropriate				
	Signature	Print name	Electoral number	
			Polling District	Elector Number
Proposer				
Secunder				

Three forms:

1. Nomination Form
2. Home Address Form
3. Consent to Nomination

MUST be delivered BY HAND by 4pm Tuesday 4th April and MUST be originals in hard copy.

Couple extra forms when standing on behalf of a registered political party.

www.electoralcommission.org.uk/i-am-a/candidate-or-agent/parish-council-elections-england

If you are Elected.....

- Polling day – Thursday 4th May
- Election count – Friday 5th May
- Become a Town Councillor – Mon 8th May
- New Councillor Induction – Mon 15th May, 6pm
- Annual Meetings – Thu 18th May, 7.30pm
- Return of Election Expenses – Thu 1st June
- Return of Interests Declaration – Fri 2nd June

YOU ARE A TOWN COUNCILLOR – until 9th May 2027

Code of Conduct

Promoting high standards of behaviour amongst Councillors



Within 28 days of election, complete a *Register of Members' Interests Form* to register personal, financial and other interests:

- details of any employment or business,
- name of your employer,
- details of any directorships,
- contracts between yourself, your firm and the Council,
- interests in land in the area.





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Any Questions?