

What disadvantages do you think a parish council would bring for the community

- *None really it encourages local debate.*
- *It appears that the sole purpose of the proposed council is the repair and maintenance of the roads on the Frost estate, but I have no indication as to how much each resident will have to pay, or for how long. I accept that there will be a high initial cost in replacing the roads but maintenance cost will be considerably less. I have not seen a proposed programme of work but assume priority will be given to Central Avenue and Giffords Cross avenue on the basis that these roads are in the worst condition, and most of the proposed Parish Council live on these roads, but what guarantees will there be that these councillors will remain once their roads are refurbished?*
- *cost - effect on house prices, ability to sell house. - Not attractive to buyers to have to pay money. - if the roads are improved people will speed kids play on and near the road. - interference - inconvenience whilst the roads are "fixed"*
- *None*
- *Another layer of bureaucracy, more unneeded middle management costing the taxpayer yet more money*
- *It will depend on the councillors*
- *confuse the issue of maintaining the road, that should be its only purpose.*
- *I have lived at my address for 46 years. recently my road was made up paid for by the residents which I objected to and I will not be paying any additional cost as a taxpayer to any parish council. I pay my council tax and will not be paying any additional cost.*
- *As I am a widowed pensioner with only state pension I am concerned as to how much the parish council and road repair would affect me financially. I can only afford a small amount.*
- *Additional cost to residents*
- *additional cost to the householder bad value for money local council will stand back but still keep money from our taxes but do less than they already do*
- *Additional costs on a already tight household budget personnel agendas followed instead of good for the community passing over of responsibilities from the council once a out for them is avail poor value for cost benefit to householders*
- *It is simply another layer of political bureaucracy to be paid for by local taxpayers. I do not believe local lay people have the expertise to run an administration and I would resent having to pay further taxation for yet more government to waste money*
- *I do not/have not been given enough information in order to answer fully this question.*
- *I think that this Council does a very good job and I doubt that a parish council and the councillors would have the skills and knowledge to ensure that current services are delivered to the current high standards. It could also become divisive - a small number of people would have control over the estate (which is a very small area) and I could foresee a great number of problems occurring if this was to be formed.*

- *None, as long as it is democratic and represents the residents views.*
- *Financial stability and possibly a lack of professionalism for those elected*
- *cost*
- *Becoming accountable for more services than just the road repairs.*
- *Any additional cost maybe a disadvantage to some members of the community - or too much interference.*
- *Having to pay more taxes?*
- *Paying more tax*
- *Hopefully none.*
- *As long as residents are consulted and majority voting is used to make decisions, I cannot see that there would be a disadvantage*
- *Increased costs when we already pay full council tax with very little to show for it.*
- *Unwelcome charges to myself*
- *None - so long as the community is represented and main objective is always for the benefit of the estate*
- *Potential hidden agenda's (Personal preferences) going against a democratic vote*
- *Different peoples views on how much they should contribute to improvements proposed*
- *None that I am aware of*
- *Committee inertia and red tape.*
- *None except to provide the core aim of road maintenance shared equally by all households.*
- *Thurrock council may not support the parish council.*
- *Insufficient information to answer*
- *Not known*
- *unknown, focus on the poorly maintained roads and not every road, therefore the residents in the bad roads benefit but not all the residents will when there is a cost. cost ? to the residents?*
- *Don't know at this point*
- *Another level of government Higher Council Tax*
- *Would we be completely be set adrift by Thurrock Council*
- *Some streets have paid for repairs to their road it is likely they would have to contribute to the repair of other roads on the estate. It is unclear what additional council tax will be incurred.*
- *We do not need another level of government nor the bill pay for it when will grow as bills always do*
- *Cost to households Disagreements*
- *Additional costs/taxes*
- *Additional cost*
- *It would mean additional local taxes. The houses are already overpriced on the estate and hence attract higher council taxes for which we no longer get a subsidy (as in the days when i first moved here) to make up or no road maintenance, litter collection etc..*
- *1. Brings a further level of 'governance' to community which governs themselves*
- *2. Additional expense to 'parish' community*
- *Extra layer of government with additional costs. Controls need to be in place to stop takeover of parish council by others with their own commercial ideas.*

- *I have lived on the frost estate for 37 years and the setting up of a parish council is the first time I can see a way forward. So no I can't see any disadvantages.*
- *extra council charge*
- *the thought of a parish council is a non starter. It can bring nothing to a community other than interference that is not required or wanted.*
- *Additional council tax be given rules on what we can and cannot do*
- *I already pay £134 per month and do not get my roads maintained I don't think I should pay extra. Is my Council Tax any cheaper than people that have their roads maintained.*
- *I like the way the frost estate is that's why I purchased the house. I do not want the landscape littered with road signs.*
- *More expense to residents*
- *Additional costs/charges*
- *Distrust and heated arguments of those nominated*
- *Extra cost*
- *Extra cost to residents*
- *Unfair distribution of funds for the benefit of the whole estate.*
- *Complexity*
- *cost*
- *some residents may not agree with above*
- *i can only think of advantages*
- *i don't agree to additional council tax to cover cost to repair road. i already pay a high premium and do not receive an discount for not having all parts of tax paid for services. i am willing to pay a one off fair payment for repairs along with everyone else.*
- *Not cost effective*
- *no disadvantages*
- *none that i can see*
- *The only disadvantage would be the extra costs to each household for road maintenance.*
- *The cost to each household is an unknown to all. Many people are pensioners and not all worked at shell or mobile - to receive good pensions.*
- *No idea*
- *Can't think of any - as other avenues have been explored and discounted*
- *hopefully none*
- *No disadvantages*
- *extra layer of government*
- *i feel there be no disadvantages*
- *I don't foresee any disadvantages to a parish council within the community.*
- *I am not aware at this stage of any disadvantages. Should people in the future do not want to stand for election this may cause a problem and how many there will be?*