

## **Two annual meetings**

If you are elected in May your first meeting will be the Annual Meeting of the Council. This is where you elect a chairman and probably a vice-chairman, and appoint committee members and representatives to other bodies. Remember that this is a meeting of the council.

The Annual Parish or Town Meeting is not a council meeting. It is a meeting of the parish or town electors taking place between 1 March and 1 June. Electors can contribute to the agenda and in practice these meetings often celebrate local activities and debate current issues in the community. The chairman of the council, any two councillors or any six electors can call the Annual Parish or Town Meeting. The Chairman, if present, will chair the meeting. It is best practice to hold the Annual Meeting of the Council and the Annual Parish Meeting on different occasions to avoid confusion.

\*1 Retrieved 4/4/2019 from

<https://web.archive.org/web/20150204083740/http://www.nalc.gov.uk/library/publications/801-good-councillors-guide/file>