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Through discussions and observation of people who run for council it appears the only reason the majority to councillor's/mayors run for council election is to push their own agenda.

Town of Cambridge is a perfect example of this.

Those elected should be there for the whole community and understand the diversity and requirements of all residents in their electorate.

Most residents don't vote in local council elections unless there is a specific issue they strongly believe in, therefore the election is not a true representation of the general community.

A compulsory vote by all rate payers to elect council members should be mandatory, if you don't vote a small fine could be applied on your rates notice. This way all rate payers elect the councillors and not a small minority group of disgruntled rate payers.

Council elections - the squeaky wheel gets the grease!!!!!!

All elected members should receive training.

There should be a selection criteria & interview process and prior to appointing the CEO & Mayor to make sure they are fit for the role and have the required skills to run a council.

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