

Worcestershire QPS County Accreditation Panel

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The aim of the Worcestershire County Accreditation Panel is to seek to ensure a consistent and fair accreditation process towards the achievement of Quality Parish Status.

The Accreditation Process

- Applications for Quality Parish Status are vetted by "Panels" at county level, which will be established by NALC in consultation with stakeholders including LGA and SLCC and approved by ODPM and DEFRA. County Associations will service the Panels.
- ODPM and DEFRA will approve the panel's membership where they are satisfied that the panel will collectively have experience and knowledge of both principal local authorities and parish councils.
- Where the Panel decline to confer Quality Parish Status, the council will be told why, and the Panel will indicate the specific improvements that are expected and a date after which it will be possible to apply again for Quality Parish Status.
- Successful parish councils will receive a certificate confirming their Quality Parish Status for 4 years and will be able to use the Quality Parish Council logo during this period. Parish councils will be required to re-apply every 4 years to keep their Quality Parish Status.

A small fee will be charged just to cover the costs of the accreditation process