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There will be a by-election for the Cove and Altens Community Council area with nominations being taken from Wednesday 22nd October 2014. The closing date for nominations is at 4 pm on Thursday, 20th November, 2014.

This has been forced by members resigning from the Community Council for a variety of reasons. The current position is that there are more co-opted members than full members which is not acceptable from a governance point of view.

Community Councils are established to be a voice for the local community and to liaise with Aberdeen City Council and other external bodies and/or partners on various issues affecting their local area. Your Community Council has been established since 1986 and is involved in various local projects including the production and distribution of The Cove Chronicle, fund-raising for and erecting the Community Christmas Tree, Christmas Street lights, the annual Christmas Concert, the annual Cove Clean Up and the Gardening Competition.

To be a Community Councillor you need to be on the electoral register for the Cove and Altens Community Council area

and be able to commit a few hours of your time to attend the Community Council meetings, normally once per month and to take an active role in delivering some of the objectives of the Community Council. At the nomination stage of the election process you will be required to complete a form that has been signed by a proposer and seconder, both must be on the electoral register for the area, and submit the form by the deadline date to the Elections Unit of Aberdeen City Council.

The Community Council will be re-established if there are between six and 12 valid nominations.

This is your time to make a difference and have the voice of the community heard. If you would like further information regarding Community Councils then please contact **Karen Rennie**, the Community Council Liaison Officer on **01224 552723** or email **Communitycouncils@aberdeencity.gov.uk**