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Do parish councils really need another quality scheme?

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The old QPC scheme was an abject failure for 2 main reasons.

Firstly it failed to add any form of quality seemingly rewarding those councils who merely complied with the law. Who in their right mind could possibly include in the criteria that the clerk had a contract!

Equally the failure of the local supervising panels to actually check the situation on the ground, preferring to review paper did little to enhance the credibility of the scheme.

Secondly and importantly it lived in a nether world where it failed the most fundamental rule. "What's in it for me?" There was absolutely no incentive for councils to participate in a scheme by doing things, the majority of which they should already have done.

So why are NALC so seemingly set on wasting time and taxpayers money with a mark 2 scheme? Is it that they are bereft of new ideas, what do they believe such a scheme could possibly deliver.

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If the "Scottish Solution" where councils are mere talking shops with no powers is not to be imposed it is time for a radical review of the legislation, powers and oversight relating to parish councils.

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Posted: 1 day, 3 hours ago by **BleadonBOB** #1436



A self appraising waste of parish money with an outcome that increased the precept while improving the clerks qualification and hence salary and pensionable status!

Posted: 2 days, 9 hours ago by **Clare123** #1424



ITS A WASTE OF MONEY, NOT MONITORED AND MAY ALLOW CLERKS TO GO UP A TIER IN SALARY ?

Posted: 2 weeks, 4 days ago by **Graham Redman** #1275



The current "Quality" scheme was summed up nicely I thought by our Parish Council displaying their quality logo on a webpage right next to the Public Interest Report issued last year.

That the PIR did not affect that status proved to me it is an utterly worthless epithet for the Council to carry. I wouldn't expect any future scheme put together by NALC to be any better.

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