

WHEATLEY PARISH COUNCIL— FULL COUNCIL 05.09.2022

ITEM 94II—CO-OPTION APPLICATION (NEW)

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Strategic Goal:	1. To continue to support the village so it becomes a vibrant and sustainable community for everyone
Strategic Aim:	1.3 Support local organisations and voluntary groups and work with them to deliver this strategy
Legislation:	Local Government Act 1972 s145 (1)(a)
Summary:	Details on event to celebrate volunteers in the village and recommendation to approve an event.

Overview

This document has been written to improve the process for the co-option and filling of casual vacancies.

All prospective candidates will be expected to complete this application and return it to the Parish Clerk in advance of the meeting in which co-options will be sought.

Details will be shared with councillors in advance of the meeting, in line with existing procedures and policies.

CASUAL VACANCY APPLICATION

Full name:

Address:

Post Code:

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Telephone numbers -
Home: **Mobile:**

Email:

Legal qualifications for being a Parish Councillor

To qualify you must be able to answer 'Yes' to both of the following questions:

Are you a British or Commonwealth citizen or a citizen of a European Union country? Yes / No

Are you 18 years of age or over? Yes / No

To qualify you must be able to answer 'Yes' to at least one of the following questions:

Are you on the Parish electoral register for the Parish of Wheatley? Yes / No

Have you lived in the Parish of Wheatley, or within 3 miles of its boundary, for at least a year? Yes / No

Have you been the owner or tenant of land or other premises in the Parish of Wheatley for at least a year? Yes / No

Have you had your principal or only place of work in the Parish of Wheatley for at least a year? Yes / No

Disqualifications

You must be able to answer 'No' to all of the following questions to be eligible to serve as a Councillor:

Are you the subject of a bankruptcy restriction order or interim order? Yes / No

Have you, within the last five years, been convicted of an offence in the UK, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man, which resulted in a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period three months or more without option of a fine? Yes / No

Disqualification from being elected a member is set out in Section 80 of the Local Government Act 1972

About you

Please briefly outline why you are interested in being a Parish Councillor:

Please tell us something about the life experience you will bring to the Council, for example, previous local government experience, work in the voluntary or charitable sector, business or trade union experience:

Please tell us about the skills you feel you would bring to the Council, for example, professional qualifications, financial or project management expertise:

Are you prepared to undertake Parish Councillor training within Oxfordshire? Yes / No

Please note that the majority of Council meetings are held in the evening and, unfortunately, under present legislation, the Parish Council is not permitted to contribute to the cost of Councillors' childcare or care of dependents. Or hold its council and committee meetings online.

Wheatley Parish Council , full council meetings take place on the first Monday of every month from 7.30pm, unless this falls on a Monday, in which case the meeting moves to the next available Monday. Will will be expected to join at least one other committee, these meetings vary. Please speak to the clerk for more details.

Declaration and Consent

I declare that I am eligible to become a Parish Councillor in the Parish of Wheatley and I certify that the contents of this application form are true and correct.

I consent to my details being retained if I am co-opted as a Councillor.

I consent to having a Parish Council email address and to receiving Parish Council documentation via electronic means (email or other approved method).

I consent to the following details being published together with my parish council email address (please circle all that apply)

	website	noticeboard
Name	Y / N	Y / N
Address	Y / N	Y / N
Home phone number	Y / N	Y / N
Mobile number	Y / N	Y / N
Photo	Y / N	Y / N

Signed _____ **Date** _____

Please return the completed form to: Clerk, Wheatley Parish Council, Parish Office, 89a High St, Wheatley, OX33 1XP or to clerk@wheatleyparishcouncil.gov.uk