

BRENT KNOLL PARISH COUNCIL CO-OPTION APPLICATION

Contact Details (Block Capitals please)

Name:

Address:

email:

Tel No :

Please briefly outline why you are interested in becoming 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 sector or business experience

Please tell us something about the skills you feel you will bring to the Council, for example professional qualifications, financial management expertise, listening and organisational skills

Please tell us your availability to serve as a Parish Councillor

Please add any further information would like to include to support your application

Please inform us of any other information you would like to disclose regarding your application? (E.g. if you are related to an employee of the Council / would require assistance during Council meetings with a disability)

Councillor Eligibility

In order to be eligible for co-option as a Brent Knoll Councillor you must be:

A British subject, or a citizen of the Commonwealth or the European Union and 18 years of age or over on the 'relevant date' (i.e. the day on which you are co-opted).

You must additionally be able to meet one of the following qualifications, please tick all that apply:

- (a) I am registered as a local government elector for the parish; or
- (b) I have, during the whole of the twelve months preceding the date of my co-option, occupied as owner or tenant, land or other premises in the parish; or
- (c) I have, during the whole of the twelve months preceding the date of my co-option, occupied as owner or tenant, land or other premises in the parish; or
- (d) My principal or only place of work during those twelve months has been within the parish; or
- (e) I have, during the whole twelve months, resided in the parish, or within 3 miles of it. I am registered as local government elector for the parish of Brent Kn

Please note that under Section 80 of the Local Government Act 1972 a person is disqualified from being elected as a Local Councillor or being a member of a Local Council if he/she:

- a) holds any paid office or employment of the local council (other than the office of Chairman) or of a joint committee on which the Council is represented; **or**
- b) is a person who has been adjudged bankrupt or has made a composition or arrangement with his/her creditors* (but see below);

or

- c) has within five years before the day of co-option, or since his/her co-option, been convicted in the UK, Channel Islands or Isle of Man of any offence and has been sentenced to imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for not less than three months without the option of a fine;

or

- d) is otherwise disqualified under Part III of the representation of the People Act 1983 for corrupt or illegal practices.

*This disqualification for bankruptcy ceases in the following circumstances:-

- I. if the bankruptcy is annulled on the grounds that either the person ought not to have been adjudged bankrupt or that his/her debts have been fully discharged;
- II. if the person is discharged with a certificate that the bankruptcy was caused by misfortune without misconduct on his/her part;
- III. if the person is discharged without such a certificate.

In (i) and (ii) above, the disqualification ceases on the date of the annulment and discharge respectively. In (iii), it ceases on the expiry of five years from the date of discharge.

I (*insert name*)..... **hereby confirm, that I am eligible to apply for the vacancy of Brent Knoll Parish Councillor, and the information given on this form is a true and accurate record.**

Signed **Dated**

Please return your completed application form to:

Owen J Cullwick Parish Clerk (07917 445215)

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clerk@brentknollpc.co.uk