

# HOCKLEY HEATH PARISH COUNCIL

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## **Co-option of a Parish Councillor Application Form**

Before you can be considered for co-option as a Member of the Parish Council, this form must be completed and returned to the Council Office.

### **Personal Information**

Name (in full): .....

Address: .....

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Postcode: ..... Email: .....

Telephone: .....

### **Eligibility**

Please confirm that you are aged 18 or over, and are a British citizen, an eligible Commonwealth citizen or a citizen of any member state of the European Union.

YES/NO

You must be able to answer "YES" to at least **ONE** of the following four qualifying criteria.

- (a) You are registered, and will continue to be registered, as a Local Government Elector at an address within the Parish of Hockley Heath?

YES/NO

- (b) You have lived in the Parish area of Hockley Heath, or within three miles of it, during the whole of the 12 months before the day of your co-option application?

YES/NO

- (c) You have occupied as owner or tenant any land or other premises during the whole of the 12 months before the day of your co-option application within the Civil Parish of Hockley Heath?

YES/NO

- (d) Your main or only place of work during the 12 months prior to the date of co-option has been in the Civil Parish of Hockley Heath?

YES/NO

## **Disqualification**

If any of the following **disqualification criteria** apply, you would not be eligible to be a candidate.

- (a) You are employed by the parish council or hold a paid office under the parish council (including joint boards or committees).
- (b) You are the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or interim order.
- (c) You have been sentenced to a term of imprisonment of three months or more (including a suspended sentence), without the option of a fine, during the five years before co-option and the ordinary period allowed for making an appeal or applications in respect of the conviction has passed. A person who is in the process of making an appeal or application in relation to the conviction is not disqualified at any time before the end of the day on which the appeal or application is disposed of, abandoned or fails by reason of non-prosecution.
- (d) You have been disqualified under the Representation of the People Act 1983 (which covers corrupt or illegal electoral practices). The disqualification for an illegal practice begins from the date the person has been reported guilty by an election court or convicted and lasts for three years. The disqualification for a corrupt practice begins from the date a person has been reported guilty by an election court or convicted and lasts for five years, unless at any time within that period a court determines that the conviction should not be upheld, in which case the disqualification ends at that time.
- (e) You are subject to the notification requirement of or under Part 2 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003, and the ordinary period allowed for making an appeal or application in respect of the order or notification has passed. A disqualification set under s.81A of the Local Government Act 1972 will only apply to a person who is subject to any relevant notification requirements or relevant order made on or after 28 June 2022. A person who is in the process of making an appeal or application in relation to the disqualification is not disqualified at any time before the end of the day on which the appeal or application is disposed of, abandoned or fails by reason of non-prosecution.

For further information on the disqualification criteria view the Guidance for Candidates documentation at [www.electoralcommission.org.uk](http://www.electoralcommission.org.uk). It is a criminal offence to make a false statement regarding your nomination as to your qualification for being elected, so if you are in any doubt you should contact your employer, consult the legislation or, if necessary, take your own independent legal advice. Hockley Heath Parish Council will not be able to confirm whether or not you are disqualified.

**I confirm that the information provided is a true record of my eligibility to stand as a co-opted Parish Councillor in the Parish of Hockley Heath, and that none of the disqualification criteria applies to me.**

Signed: ..... Date: .....

**Additional Information**

Please provide a written statement explaining why you would like to be considered as a co-opted Councillor. You can include as much or as little information as you would like but please outline any relevant experience, reasons for wanting to be considered and any special areas of interests you may have.

**Please return this form to the Clerk for Hockley Heath Parish Council**