

# Okehampton Town Council

## Notice of Co-option of a Councillor

The Returning Officer at the office of West Devon Borough Council has confirmed that the Council can now fill the casual vacancy for the South Ward by co-option.

NOTICE is hereby given that pursuant to Rule 8 of the Local Elections (Parishes and Communities) Rule 1986 the council will fill the casual vacancy by co-option.

The council may co-opt any person who is legally qualified to hold such office, and who is willing to serve provided they are a British citizen, or a citizen of the Commonwealth or the European Union, and are neither the subject of a bankruptcy restriction order or interim order or have, within five years before the day of the election, been convicted in the United Kingdom of any offence and have had a prison sentence (whether suspended or not) for a period of over three months without the option of a fine (for a full list of please speak to the Town Clerk).

Provided the person also satisfies at least ONE of the following they may be apply:

- They are registered as a local government elector for the parish
- They have during the whole of the preceding twelve months occupied as owner or tenant, any land or premises in the parish
- Their principal or only place of work during the preceding twelve months has been in the parish
- They have during the whole of the preceding twelve months resided in the parish or within 4.8 km of it

They must also be 18 years or older on the day they become nominated for election.

**Applicants are to contact the Town Council, contact details below, for details and the application form.**

**The closing date for applications is 12noon on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2019 following which the casual vacancy will be filled by co-option.**

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Town Clerk  
2<sup>nd</sup> October 2019

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