



Okehampton Town Council

Application for Co-option as Town Councillor

Applicants Details

Full name:

Address:

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Tel no: Email:

Eligibility Statement

I declare that I am qualified to stand as a Councillor by virtue of being a qualifying Commonwealth citizen, a citizen of the Republic or Ireland or a citizen of another Member State of the European Union who has attained the age of 18 years and that:

	Tick those that apply
*a. I am registered as a local government elector for the area of the parish; or	
*b. I have, during the whole of the 12 months preceding that day or those days occupied as owner or tenant land or other premises in the parish; or	
*c. My principal or only place of work during those 12 months has been in the parish; or	
*d. I have during the whole of those 12 months resided in that parish or within 4.8 kilometres of it.	

I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief I am not disqualified from holding office by reason of any disqualification set out in Section 80 of the Local Government Act 1972, or any decisions made under Section 79 of the Local Government Act 2000 (copies of which are printed overleaf).

Signed:..... Dated:

NOTES - DISQUALIFICATIONS

Local Government Act 1972: Disqualifications for election and holding office as a member of local authority.

Disqualifications for election and holding office as a member of a local authority.

(1) Subject to the provisions of Section 81 below, a person shall be disqualified for being elected or being a member of a local authority if they –

- (a) holds any paid office or employment (other than the office of chairman, vice-chairman or deputy chairman or, in the case of a local authority which are operating executive arrangements which involve a leader and cabinet executive, the office of executive leader or member of the executive) appointments or elections to which are or may be made or confirmed by the local authority or any committee or sub-committee of the authority or by a joint committee or National Park authority on which the authority is represented or by any person holding any such office or employment; or
- (b) is the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or interim order;
- (c) [This has been removed and no longer applies]
- (d) has within five years before the day of election or since his election been convicted in the United Kingdom, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man of any offence and has had passed on him a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period of not less than three months without the option of a fine; or
- (e) is disqualified for being a member of the relevant council under Part III of the Representation of the People Act 1983, and in this paragraph “the relevant council” means the council of the county or district in which is comprised the area for which charter trustees are established by any statutory instrument made under Part II of the Local Government Act 1992.

(2) Subject to the provisions of Section 81 below, a paid officer of a local authority who is employed under the direction of –

- (a) a committee or sub-committee of the authority any member of which is appointed on the nomination of some other local authority; or
- (b) a joint board, joint authority, joint waste authority or joint committee on which the authority is represented and any member of which is so appointed;

shall be disqualified for being elected or being a member of that other local authority.

(2AA) A paid member of staff of the Greater London Authority who is employed under the direction of a joint committee the membership of which includes –

- (a) one or more persons appointed on the nomination of the Authority acting by the Mayor, and
- (b) one or more members of one or more London borough councils appointed to the committee on the nomination of those councils,

shall be disqualified for being elected or being a member of any of those London borough councils.

(2A) Subsection (2) above shall have effect as if the reference to a joint board included a reference to a National Park authority.

(2B) For the purposes of this section a local authority shall be treated as represented on a National Park authority if it is entitled to make any appointment of a local authority member of the National Park authority.

(3) Subsection (1)(a) shall have effect in relation to a teacher in a school maintained by the local authority who does not hold an employment falling within that provision as it has effect in relation to a teacher in such a school who holds such an employment.

(5) For the purposes of subsection (1)(d) above, the ordinary date on which the period allowed for making an appeal or application with respect to the conviction expires or, if such an appeal or application is made, the date on which the appeal or application is finally disposed of or abandoned or fails by reason of the non-prosecution thereof shall be deemed to be the date of the surcharge or conviction.

