



Okehampton Town Council

Notice of Co-option of 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 meet the criteria as set out in the Local Government Act 1972 and are not for any reason disqualified – please contact the Town Clerk for further details.

Provided the person also satisfies at least ONE of the following they may 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 Clerk, details below, for information and the application form which can be downloaded from the website.

The casual vacancy will be filled by co-option at a meeting of the Council at 7pm on Monday 30th November 2026.

Closing date for applications is 5pm Friday 20th November 2026.

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6th October 2026

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