

Co-Option Application Form: Part 2 – Reasons for Applying

Please provide the Council with your reasons for wanting to become a Parish Councillor and, if you wish, details of any particular skills that you consider you might be able to bring to the Council.

Please return the completed Co-option Application Form to:

The Parish Clerk, Long Melford Parish Council, The Parish Offices, Cordell Road, Long Melford, Suffolk CO10 9EH.

Application Forms submitted by email must be sent to clerk@longmelford-pc.gov.uk.

Co-option applications can only be considered if the Application Form is signed and dated.

Your application will be considered at the next available Parish Council meeting, where a vote will be held to decide whether the Council agrees to co-opt you to Long Melford Parish Council.

Long Melford Parish Council is legally bound to treat this information as strictly confidential.

**Long Melford Parish Council
Co-Option Application Form: Part 3 – Eligibility**

Section 1 – Eligibility Criteria

**Please mark with an X all categories that apply to you.
On the day of completing and signing this form:**

a) I am at least 18 years old.

X

b) I am a British citizen or an eligible Commonwealth citizen.

and

X

i. I am, and will be required to remain for my term of office if co-opted, a registered elector for the Parish of Long Melford.

ii. I have occupied as owner or tenant any land or other premises in the Parish area for the previous 12 months or more.

iii. My principal place of work has been in the Parish area for the previous 12 months or more.

iv. I have lived within the parish area or no more than three direct miles outside of its boundary for the past 12 months or more.

Section 2 – Disqualification Criteria

Please mark with X all categories that apply to you.

On the day of completing and signing this form:

X

a) I am employed by the Parish Council or hold a paid office under the Parish Council (including joint boards or committees).

b) I am the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or interim order.

c) I 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 previous five years.

d) I have been disqualified under the Representation of the People Act 1983 for corrupt or illegal electoral practices or offences relating to donations, or under the Audit Commission Act 1998.

e) I have been disqualified from standing for election to a local authority following a decision of the First-tier Tribunal.

f) I have been disqualified from standing for election to a local authority for a sexual offence specified under the Local Government (Disqualification) Act 2022

Section 3 - Declaration

I (print name) hereby
declare that the information given above regarding my eligibility for co-option to
Long Melford Parish Council as a Councillor is accurate and true.

Signature of applicant: Date:
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