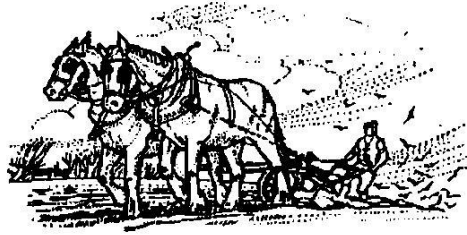


Bentley Pauncefoot Parish Council



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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 Parish Council (email below):

Personal Information

Name (in full):

Address:

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Postcode: Email:

Telephone:

Eligibility

Please confirm you are a British, Commonwealth, Republic of Ireland or European Union citizen and on the day of your nomination and subsequently the day of poll you are aged 18 or over. In addition, you must meet at least **one** of the following criteria (please answer "yes/no" accordingly):

1. on the relevant day and thereafter you continue to be on the electoral register for the parish, or

YES/NO

2. during the whole of the twelve months before that day you have owed or tenanted land or premises in the parish, or

YES/NO

3. during the whole of the twelve months before that day your principle or only place of work has been in the parish, or

YES/NO

4. During the whole of the twelve months before that day you have resided in the parish or within 4.8 kilometres of it.

YES/NO

Except for qualification (1), which must continue for the length of office, the above qualifications must apply for the period covering nomination and election.

Disqualification

Please note that the Elections Act 2022 has updated the disqualifications from being elected as a Local Councillor or being a member of a Local Council if he/she/they:

- (a) Holds any paid office or employment of the local council (other than the office of Chairman) or of a joint committee on which the council is represented; or
- (b) Is the subject of a bankruptcy restriction order or interim order.
- (c) Is the 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.
- (d) Has 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 polling day and the ordinary period allowed for making an appeal or applications in respect of the conviction has passed.
- (e) Has been disqualified under the Representation of the People Act 1983 (which covers corrupt or illegal electoral practices).
- (f) Has been convicted of an intimidatory criminal offence motivated by hostility towards a candidate, future candidate or campaigner or holder of a relevant elective office.
- (g) Is otherwise disqualified under Part III of the representation of the People Act 1983 for corrupt or illegal practices.

For further information on the disqualification criteria view the Guidance for Candidates documentation at 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. Bentley Paucefoot 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 Bentley Paucefoot, 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 Bentley Paucefoot Parish Council
Clerk: Clare Wood
Email: bentleypaucefoot@gmail.com**