

TOTNES TOWN COUNCIL

COOPTION TO CASUAL VACANCY

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

Post Code: _____

Telephone numbers - Home: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

Which Ward?

Totnes Town YES / NO

Bridgetown YES / NO

Legal qualifications for being a Parish Councillor

To qualify you must be able to answer 'Yes' to both of the following questions:

Are you a British or Commonwealth citizen or a citizen of a European Union country? Yes / No

Are you 18 years of age or over? Yes / No

To qualify you must be able to answer 'Yes' to at least one of the following questions:

Are you on the Parish electoral register for Totnes? Yes / No

Have you lived in Totnes, or within 3 miles of its boundary, for at least a year? Yes / No

Have you been the owner or tenant of land or other premises in Totnes for at least a year? Yes / No

Have you had your principal or only place of work in Totnes for at least a year? Yes / No

Disqualifications:

You must be able to answer 'No' to all of the following questions to be eligible to serve as a Councillor:

Are you the subject of a bankruptcy restriction order or interim order? Yes / No

Have you, within the last five years, been convicted of an offence in the UK, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man, which resulted in a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period three months or more without option of a fine? Yes / No

Disqualification from being elected a member is set out in Section 80 of the Local Government Act 1972

Please briefly outline why you are interested in being a Parish Councillor:

Please tell us something about the life experience you will bring to the Council, for example, previous local government experience, work in the voluntary or charitable sector, business or trade union experience:

Please tell us about the skills you feel you would bring to the Council, for example, professional qualifications, financial or project management expertise:

Are you prepared to undertake Parish Councillor Training? Yes/No

Please note that the majority of Council meetings are held in the evening and, unfortunately, under present legislation, the Town Council is not permitted to contribute to the cost of Councillors' childcare or care of dependents.

Totnes Town Council meetings are usually from 6.30pm on the first Monday of the month.

Declaration and Consent

I declare that I am eligible to become a Town Council in Totnes and I certify that the contents of this application form are true and correct.

I consent to my details being retained if I am co-opted as a Councillor.

I consent to having a Town Council email address and to receiving Town Council documentation via electronic means.

I consent to my name, address and telephone number being published together with my Town Council email address.

Signed _____ Date _____

Please return the completed form to:

**Catherine Marlton
Clerk
Totnes Town Council
clerk@totnestowncouncil.gov.uk**