

**WEST BUCKLAND PARISH COUNCIL
CO-OPTION APPLICATION FORM**

Name
Address
Telephone number
Email address
Are you 18 or over? Yes/No
Please answer the questions below giving as much relevant information as possible
Why would you like to be a Parish Councillor?
Have you attended Parish Council meetings as a member of the public? Yes/No
What skills and experience can you offer the Parish Council and the Community?
Experience of working with voluntary and or local community / interest groups
Are you willing to attend induction training? Yes/No
Please tick to confirm that you have read and understood the Members' Code of Conduct <input type="checkbox"/>

Eligibility

1. In order to be eligible for co-option as a Parish Councillor you must satisfy certain criteria. You must satisfy (a) and (b) below and at least one of the options (c) – (f). Please state which apply to you:	Yes or No
a. I am 18 years of age or over; and	
b. I am a British citizen or a citizen of the Commonwealth or a citizen of any other member state of the European Union; and	
c. I am registered as a local government elector for the parish; or	
d. I have, during the whole of the twelve months preceding the date of my co-option occupied, as owner or tenant, land or other premises in the parish; or	
e. My principal or only place of work during those twelve months has been in the parish; or	
f. I have during the whole of those twelve months resided in the parish or within 3 miles of it.	

2. Please note that under Section 80 of the Local Government Act 1972, a person is disqualified from being a parish councillor if he/she: a. Is employed by the parish council or holds paid office (other than chair, vice-chair or deputy chair) under the parish council (including joint boards or committees); b. Is employed by an entity controlled by the parish council; c. Is the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or an interim bankruptcy restrictions order or a debt relief restrictions order or an interim debt relief restrictions order; or d. Has within five years before the day of co-option, or since his/her co-option, been convicted in the UK, Channel Islands or Isle of Man of any offence and has been sentenced to imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for not less than three months without the option of a fine; or e. Is otherwise disqualified under Part III of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (relating to corrupt or illegal electoral practices and offences relating to donations) or the Audit Commission Act 1998

Declaration hereby confirm that I am eligible for the vacancy of West Buckland Parish Councillor and I am not disqualified under s80 of the Local Government Act 1972 from being a parish councillor and that the information given on this form is true and correct.

Use of Personal Information.

The Parish Council will use your information, including that which you provide on this application form, to assess your suitability to be a parish councillor.

Declaration & Consent I have read the section entitled “Use of Personal Information” and by signing this form I consent to the use and disclosure of my information included in this application form. I declare the information given on this form to be true and correct.

SIGNED.....

NAME.....

DATE.....

Please complete and return this form to: Mrs J Larcombe, the Clerk to the Parish Council, 6 The Old School, Chapel Street, Tiverton, EX16 6ND

Email: westbucklandclerk:@gmail.com