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Application for Co-option

Thank you for your interest in becoming a Parish Councillor. Please complete the application form and return to clerk@stburyanlamorna-pc.gov.uk

Full Name / Title	
Home Address	
Telephone	
Email Address	

About You
Please provide with some background information about yourself and your reasons for wanting to become a local councillor (Up to 300 words)

Eligibility to be a Parish Councillor

Are you 18 or over? Yes/No

Eligibility to be a parish councillor

1. In order to be eligible for co-option as a St Buryan, Lamorna & Paul Parish Councillor you must be a British Citizen, or a citizen of the Commonwealth or the European Union; and on the 'relevant date' (i.e. the day on which you are nominated or if there is a poll the day of the election) 18 years of age or over; and additionally able to meet one of the following qualifications set out below:

☐ I am registered as a local government elector; and

☐ I have during the whole of twelve months on the relevant date resided in the parish or within 3 miles (4.8 km) of it; or

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☐ I have, during the whole of the twelve months, occupied as owner or tenant, land or other premises in the parish; or

☐ My principal or only place of work during those twelve months has been in the parish.

Indicate those qualifications which apply to you. You only need to meet one of the qualifications, but tick all that apply.

1. Note that under Section 80 of the Local Government Act 1972 a person is disqualified from being elected as a Local Councillor or being a member of a Local Council if he/she:

   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 a person who has been adjudged bankrupt or has made a composition or arrangement with his/her creditors (but see below); or

   c. has within five years before the day of election, or since his/her election, 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

   d. is otherwise disqualified under Part III of the Representation of the People Act 1983 for corrupt or illegal practices.

This disqualification for bankruptcy ceases in the following circumstances:-

   i. if the bankruptcy is annulled on the grounds that either the person ought not to have been adjudged bankrupt or that his/her debts have been fully discharged;

   ii. if the person is discharged with a certificate that the bankruptcy was caused by misfortune without misconduct on his/her part;

   iii. if the person is discharged without such a certificate.

In (i) and (ii) above, the disqualification ceases on the date of the annulment and discharge respectively. In (iii), it ceases on the expiry of five years from the date of discharge.

I (name) ..... hereby confirm that I am eligible to apply for the vacancy of St Buryan, Lamorna & Paul Parish Councillor, and the information given on this form is a true and accurate record.

Signed ..... Dated .....

Please return your completed application to the Clerk clerk@stburyanlamornapaul-pc.gov.uk

Closing Date for applications is on the advert

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CO-OPTED COUNCILLOR PERSON SPECIFICATION

As a local Councillor you will work with other Members and the Clerk/RFO to make decisions on behalf of your community, supporting local groups and delivering local services. The Council has produced the following person specification as a guide to anyone seek co-option to the council.

COMPETENCY	ESSENTIAL	DESIRABLE
Personal Attributes	• Sound knowledge and understanding of local affairs and the local community. • Forward Thinking	• Can bring a new skill, expertise, or key local knowledge to .
Experience, Skills, Knowledge and Ability	• Ability to listen constructively • A good team player • Ability to pick up and run with a variety of projects Solid Interest in local matters. • Ability and willingness to represent and their community. • Good interpersonal skills and able to contribute to debate at meetings whilst willing to see others' views and accept majority decisions. • Ability to communicate succinctly and clearly. • Ability and willingness to work closely with other members and to maintain good working relationships with all members and staff. • Ability and willingness to work with partners (e.g., voluntary groups, other parish Councils, principal authority, charities). • Ability and willingness to undertake induction training and other relevant training.	• Experience of working or being a member in a local authority or other public body. • Experience of working with voluntary and or local community / interest groups. • Basic knowledge of legal issues relating to town and parish Councils or local authorities. • Experience of delivering presentations
Circumstances	• Ability and willingness to attend meetings of (or meetings of other local authorities and local bodies) at any time and events in the evening and at weekends.	

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