

WRIGHTINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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PARISH COUNCIL VACANCIES

Following the 2023 Parish Elections the following vacancies exist on Wrightington Parish Council

2 Vacancies for the Appley Bridge Ward

If you are interested in applying for a vacancy please submit your application in writing, or by email, to:

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In your application please provide details of any current activity or involvement you may already have in the Parish/Ward, along with details of skills, expertise and experience which you think will assist in the role of Parish Councillor. It would also be useful if you could give reasons for your application and interest in joining the Parish Council, together with any additional information you feel would assist with your application.

Once the deadline for receipt of applications has passed, Parish Councillors will consider all the applications received and make a decision to co-opt to fill the vacancies at their September Council Meeting

Applications should be received by: Friday 1st September 2023

NOTICE DATED: 26 June 2023

Please ensure that you satisfy the criteria below when applying to join the Parish Council:

1. In order to be eligible for co-option as a Wrightington Parish Councillor you must be a British subject, 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.

- a) I am registered as a local government elector for the parish; or
- b) 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
- c) My principal or only place of work during those twelve months has been in the parish; or
- d) I have during the whole of 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 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.

NOTES:

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 (5) years from the date of discharge.

In your application, giving reference to section 1(a-d) above, please indicate under which criteria you are eligible to be co-opted onto the Parish Council.