CUCKFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Queen's Hall, High Street, Cuckfield, RH17 5EL



NOTICE OF CASUAL VACANCY

NOTICE Is hereby given that due to the resignation of Councillor Nigel Page a vacancy has occurred among the Members of the Parish Council. Any person willing to fill this vacancy should apply to the Clerk in writing on or before the 28th June 2018.

APPLICANTS should provide a short presentation, (no more than one side of A4 paper) on why they would like to be a Parish Councillor and what they feel they can offer to the community.

THE applicant's name must appear on the current register of the Voters List or the applicant should during the whole of the twelve months preceding the relevant date have resided in or within three miles of the parish or the applicant's only place of work during the whole of the twelve months preceding the relevant date is in the parish.

THE applicant must not be debarred from standing as a Councillor.

PUBLIC elections cannot be held until the year 2019 but for the interim period the present sitting Councillors may co-opt to fill the vacancy.

Sam Heynes Clerk to the Parish Council

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17th May 2018

CRITERIA FOR STANDING AS A COUNCILLOR

The usual phrasing is that applicants should be qualified and not disqualified from standing for election.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR ELECTION

Anyone can stand as a candidate provided they meet the qualification requirements. Candidates should be:

- Aged over 18
- A British, Commonwealth citizen or citizen of and EU country
- A registered elector

and have been

- Resident for 12 months prior to the day of election/co-option either in the parish or within three miles of the boundary or:
 - Occupied land or premises for 12 months as owner or tenant either in the parish or within three miles of the boundary
 - Had a principal place of work either in the parish or within three miles of the boundary.

DISQUALIFICATIONS

You cannot become a Councillor if:

- You have been declared bankrupt within the last five years if you have no repaid your debts.
- You have been convicted of a criminal offence and sentenced to not less than three months imprisonment (whether suspended or not) without the option of a fine within the last five years.
- You have been disqualified under any legislation relating to corrupt or illegal practices.