



**WESTBURY TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Co-option Application Form**

**Contact Details** (Block Capitals Please)

**Name:**

**Address:**

**Postcode:**

**Email Address:**

**Home Tel No:**

**Mobile No:**

**Are you 18 or over? YES/NO**

**NB Please attach a written summary covering your reasons for wishing to be a councillor; previous voluntary / community / council work; any other skills you can bring to the council; your interests and recent career history.**

**Is there any other information you would like to disclose regarding your application?** (e.g. are you related to an employee of the Council / would require assistance during Council meetings with your mobility, hearing or vision).

**Signature**..... **Date**.....

**Please return your completed form, together with your written summary and the Co-option Eligibility Form to:**

Town Clerk  
Westbury Town Council  
The Laverton  
Bratton Road  
Westbury  
BA13 3EN



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**Co-option Eligibility Form**

1. In order to be eligible for co-option as a Westbury Town Councillor you must be:

- a British citizen, an eligible Commonwealth citizen or a citizen of any member state of the European Union
- be 18 years of age or over

AND

Meet at least one of the following qualifications:

- a) You are, and will continue to be, registered as a local government elector for the parish of Westbury.
- b) You have occupied as owner or tenant any land or other premises in the parish of Westbury during the whole of the 12 months before the date of your co-option.
- c) Your main or only place of work during the 12 months prior to the date of your co-option has been in the parish of Westbury.
- d) You have lived in the parish of Westbury, or within 3 miles of it, during the whole twelve months prior to the date of your co-option.

**Please circle which of the above apply to you**

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) Is employed by the local authority or hold a paid office under the authority (including joint boards or committees). Note that you may be 'employed by the local authority' if, for example, you work at certain schools, fire services, police or health services.
- b) holds a politically restricted post.
- c) is the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or interim order.
- d) has been sentenced to a term of imprisonment of three months or more

(including a suspended sentence), without the option of a fine, during the five years before the date of co-option.

- e) has been disqualified under the Representation of the People Act 1983 (which covers corrupt or illegal electoral practices and offences relating to donations). The disqualification for an illegal practice begins from the date a person has been reported guilty by an election court or convicted and lasts for three years. The disqualification for a corrupt practice begins from the date a person has been reported guilty by an election court or convicted and lasts for five years.

I (*insert name*) ..... hereby confirm,

That I am eligible to apply for the vacancy of Westbury Town Councillor, and the information given on this form is a true and accurate record.

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

WARD.....

\*Proposer.....

\*Secunder.....

**\*(Please note proposer and seconder both need to be electors in the ward in which you intend to apply for co-option)**