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| **Full Name** |  |
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| **Mobile Telephone** |  |
| **Email Address** |  |

**APPLICATION FOR CO-OPTION TO THE ROLE OF COUNCILLOR**

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| There are a range of skills and abilities that make a good councillor, and the council uses this form to assess your suitability to be a councillor, especially when there is more than one candidate per vacancy. Please use this form to inform the council about yourself, but specifically focusing on the following:   * Your experiences, skills, knowledge and ability to be a councillor * Your interest in local matters * Your willingness and ability to represent the community and council * Your interpersonal skills * Your ability and willingness to make and maintain good working relationships with others * Your ability and willingness to undergo relevant training * Your ability and willingness to attend council meetings in the evenings and events in the evenings and at weekends. |
| Please provide relevant information about yourself (and continue on a separate sheet if required) |
| **Reason for applying:**  Please provide the Council with your reasons for wanting to become a Town Councillor. |
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**ELIGIBILITY TO BE A COUNCILLOR**

There are legal requirements for being a town councillor and you must answer yes to both of the questions in part one below:

**Part One**

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| Are you a British citizen, a Commonwealth citizen or a citizen of a European Union country? | Yes/No |
| Are you 18 or over? | Yes/No |

**Part Two**

To qualify you must be able to answer Yes to at least one of the questions below:

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| Are you on the electoral register in one of the wards within the Kingswood parish? | Yes/No |
| Have you lived either in one of the wards within Kingswood or within three miles of its boundary, for at least a year? | Yes/No |
| Have you been the owner or tenant of land in Kingswood for at least a year? | Yes/No |
| Have you had your only or main place of work in Kingswood for at least a year? | Yes/No |

**Part Three**

You must be able to answer No to all of the questions below to be eligible to serve as a Councillor:

I ………………………………………………………………… herby confirm that I am eligible for the

vacancy of Kingswood Town Councillor; and the information given on this form is a true and accurate record.

Signature…………………………………………………………………

Date…………………………………………………………………

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| Are you the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or interim order? | Yes/No |
| Have you within the last five years been convicted of an offence in the UK, the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man which resulted in a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period of three months or more without the option of a fine? | Yes/No |
| Are you disqualified by order of a court from being a member of a local authority? | Yes/No |

Please return your completed application to the Town Clerk on email. If you are unable to return by email please phone the Town Clerk who will provide you with an address to post it to.