

Appendix 1

GAINFORD & LANGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Co-option Application Form

Contact Details (block capitals please)

Name

Address

Postcode

Email

Home Tel.

Mobile Tel.

Are you 18 years or over? YES/NO

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.

Signature.....

Date.....

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

Mr Martin Clark
66 Chestnut Court
Toft Hill
Bishop Auckland
DL14 0TQ

A scanned copy can be email to:
Email: gainfordlangton@aol.com

Appendix 2

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Co-option Eligibility Form

1. In order to be eligible for co-option as councillor on Gainford & Langton Parish Council you must be a British subject, or a citizen of the Commonwealth or the European Union; and be 18 years of age or over on the 'relevant date' (i.e. the day on which you are nominated or if there is a poll the day of the election). You must additionally be able to meet one of the following qualifications:

- I am registered as a local government elector for the parish of Gainford and Langton
- 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 of Gainford & Langton; or
- My principal or only place of work during those twelve months has been in the parish of Gainford & Langton; or
- I have during the whole of twelve months resided in the parish of Gainford & Langton or within 3 miles of it.

Circle which of the above applies to you

2. Please note that under Section 80 of the Local Government Act 1972 a person 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 Chair) 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*

or

c. has within 5 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 (insert name).....hereby confirm,

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

Signed.....

Dated.....