

## LOCAL ELECTIONS (PARISH AND COMMUNITIES) RULES 1986 – (RULE 8)

## TOWN COUNCILLOR VACANCY

With reference to the public notice published on 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2024, in respect of the casual vacancy on this Town Council, Cornwall Council has confirmed that no requests were received asking that an election be held.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant of Rule 8 of the Local Elections (Parishes and Communities) Rules 1986, Lostwithiel Town Council has a vacancy arising by way of co-option.

- If you interesting in becoming a Town Councillor, please submit a written expression of interest to the Town Clerk at the address below by Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September 2024. Please include a short personal statement giving reasons why you are interested in joining the Town Council together with a summary of your background and skills that you can offer the Council.
- Candidates will be requested to attend a Council meeting on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024 at 7pm in Lostwithiel Library and will be asked to address members regarding their application.
- 3. If more applications are received than vacancies to be filled (there are currently two vacancies), the Town Council will decide which of the applications is to fill the vacancies.

Sandra Harris
Town Clerk
Lostwithiel Town Council
Taprell House
North Street
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15<sup>th</sup> August 2024

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## **Qualification Categories**

Regarding the arrangements for the filling of any vacancy where co-option applies, the Town Council may co-opt as a member, any person who is legally qualified to hold such office, and who is willing to serve, is a British or a citizen of the Commonwealth or European Union 18 years old or over and meets at least one of the following qualification categories: -

- (a) is registered as a local government elector for the parish;
- (b) has during the whole of the preceding twelve months occupied as owner or tenant, any land, or premises in the parish;
- (c) his/her principle or only place of work during the preceding twelve months has been in the parish;
- (d) had during the whole of the preceding twelve months resided in the parish or within 4.8 km thereof.

## **Further information**

 Please contact the Town Clerk, Sandra Harris on 01208 872323 or email <u>clerk@lostwithieltowncouncil.gov.uk</u> who would be happy to discuss this further and/or arrange a meeting with existing Councillors who can tell you more about their role.