



Hutton Parish Council
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To all Parishioners

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CO-OPTION TO THE PARISH COUNCIL

Hutton Parish Council still has **vacancies** and the Council is proposing again to take steps to fill the vacancies by the co-option of suitable persons. Hence any eligible interested persons are invited to apply for co-option to the Parish Council as a Councillor.

Eligibility To be able to stand as a Parish Councillor, an applicant must:

- be at least 18 years old on the day of nomination
- be a British citizen, or an eligible Commonwealth citizen
- meet at least one of the following four qualifications:
 1. He/she is an elector for the parish; or
 2. has resided in the parish for the past twelve months or rented/tenanted land in the parish; or
 3. had his/her principal place of work in the parish; or
 4. has lived within three miles (straight line) of the parish.

There are certain disqualifications for election, shown below. (See section 5.80 of the Local Government Act 1972 for a full list of disqualification criteria)

- holding a paid office of the Parish Council
- bankruptcy.
- having been sentenced to a term of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) of not less than three months, without the option of a fine during the five years preceding the election; and
- being disqualified under any enactment relating to corrupt or illegal practices.

Written applications or expressions of interest should be forwarded to Councillor Peter Dutton Chairman of Hutton Parish Council c/o 10 South Street, Burnham-on Sea, Somerset, TA8 1BS or via email to clerk@huttonsomerset.org.uk. Expressions of interest can be sent on condition that a follow-up letter or email application is sent. If no follow-up letter or email application is received following an expression of interest it will be assumed that the applicant has withdrawn their interest in the position.

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