

GREAT LINFORD PARISH COUNCIL

CO-OPTION ELIGIBILITY FORM

1. In order to be eligible for co-option as a Parish Councillor you must satisfy certain criteria. You must satisfy (a) and (b) below and at least one of the options (c) – (f). Please state which apply to you:	YES or NO
a. I am 18 years of age or over; and	
b. I am a British citizen or a citizen of the Commonwealth or a citizen of any other member state of the European Union; and	
c. I am registered as a local government elector for the parish; or	
d. 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; or	
e. My principal or only place of work during those twelve months has been in the parish; or	
f. I have during the whole of those twelve months resided in the parish or within 3 miles of it.	

2. Please note that under Section 80 of the Local Government Act 1972, a person is disqualified from being a parish councillor if he/she:

- a. Is employed by the parish council or holds paid office (other than chair, vice-chair or deputy chair) under the parish council (including joint boards or committees);
- b. Is employed by an entity controlled by the parish council;
- c. Is the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or an interim bankruptcy restrictions order or a debt relief restrictions order or an interim debt relief restrictions order; or
- d. Has within five years before the day of co-option, or since his/her co-option, 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
- e. Is otherwise disqualified under Part III of the Representation of the People Act 1983 (relating to corrupt or illegal electoral practices and offences relating to donations) or the Audit Commission Act 1998.

Use of Personal Information
The Parish Council will use the information provided on this form to assess your eligibility to be a parish councillor.

Declaration & Consent

I..... hereby confirm that I am eligible for the vacancy of Great Linford Parish Councillor and I am not disqualified under s80 of the Local Government Act 1972 from being a parish councillor and that the information given on this form is true and correct.

I have read the section entitled "Use of Personal Information" and by signing this form I consent to the use and disclosure of my information included in this form.

Signature..... Name.....

Date.....