

Bierton Parish Council

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VACANCY FOR PARISH COUNCILLOR – BIERTON WARD

In accordance with Section 89 (3), Local Government Act 1972, when a casual vacancy occurs at a parish council in the six months before the date on which that elected member would have ordinarily retired the parish council may fill the vacancy by co-option for the remaining term of office. This vacancy occurred within 6 months of scheduled elections on 1 May 2025 so no by election can be held to fill the vacancy.

The Council can now fill the casual vacancy by co-option. The Parish Council may co-opt any person who is legally qualified to hold such office and who is willing to serve, provided they are a British citizen, or a citizen of the Commonwealth, and are neither the subject of a bankruptcy restriction order or interim order or have, within five years before the day of the co-option, been convicted in the United Kingdom of any offence and have had a prison sentence (whether suspended or not) for a period of over three months without the option of a fine.

Provided the person also satisfies at least ONE of the following, they may apply.

- They are registered as a local government elector for the parish
- They have during the whole of the preceding twelve months occupied as owner or tenant, any land or premises in the parish
- Their principal or only place of work during the preceding twelve months has been in the parish
- They have during the whole of the preceding twelve months resided in the parish or within 3 miles of it

They must also be 18 years or older on the day they become nominated for co-option.

Initially, please email the Parish Clerk at parishclerk@biertonpc.org.uk or call on 07932 738733 to register an interest or find out further information. Please follow up your interest with a letter/email of introduction confirming that you qualify for the position of Councillor within the statutory rules and how you feel you can add value to the Parish Council. Letters/emails are to be submitted to the Clerk of the Council via Email: parishclerk@biertonpc.org.uk

The **closing date** to register an interest is **5pm on Monday 13th January 2025**.