



Elton Parish Council Vacancy for a Councillor

Eligibility

The Parish Council can consider any person to fill a vacancy provided that:

- He/she is an elector for the parish; or
- has resided in the parish for the past twelve months or rented/tenanted land in the parish; or
- had his/her principal place of work in the parish; or
- has lived **within three miles** (straight line) of the parish.

There are certain disqualifications for election, of which the main are (see 5.80 of the Local Government Act 1972):

- 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.

Applications

Candidates will be asked to submit information about themselves by completing a short application form, obtainable from the Parish Clerk, and will also be asked to confirm their eligibility to serve, based on the above criteria. Applications will be considered at the next available Parish Council meeting. If there are more applicants than vacancies, voting will be by secret ballot unless three or more Councillors request that it be decided by show of hands. The successful candidate must receive an absolute majority vote of those members present at the Parish Council meeting.

Requests for an application form should be directed to the Chair of the Parish Council, Mr Stephen Serna, email SteveSerna@EltonParishCouncil.co.uk,

Mobile: 07767 434629

The closing date for applications is **Friday 9 June 2023**. Applications will be considered by the Parish Council at their meeting on 12 June 2023.

Parish Chair
13 May 2023