

OTTERY ST MARY TOWN COUNCIL

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NOTICE OF CO-OPTION TIPTON ST JOHN WARD

Ottery St Mary Town Council has a vacancy for the position of councillor following the vacation of office by **Geoff Pratt**. The Returning Officer of East Devon District Council has confirmed that the regulation 10 requests from electors has not been fulfilled and the Town Council can now fill the casual vacancy by co-option.

Interested persons must be a qualifying Commonwealth or EU citizen, aged 18 years or over and:

- Have lived in the Parish or within three miles of it for the preceding twelve months
- Be a registered elector in the Parish: or
- Have occupied as owner or tenant any land or premises in the Parish for the preceding twelve months: or
- Have their principal or only place of work in the Parish for the preceding twelve months
- Must not be disqualified from holding office as a Councillor

A person is disqualified if they:

- Hold any paid office or employment to which they have been appointed by the Council
- Are the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or interim order
- Have within five years of the day of co-option been convicted of any offence and has had passed on them a sentence of imprisonment for a period of not less than three months (whether suspended or not) without option of a fine
- Have been found guilty of corrupt or illegal practices or have been responsible for incurring unlawful expenditure and the court orders their disqualification

Applicants should note that Councillors are expected to attend monthly meetings and to represent the electors of Ottery St Mary Town Council in raising and discussing issues of interest on which the Parish Council is empowered to act.

Candidates for co-option should obtain an application form from the Chief Executive Officer via the contact details above. The form is also available on the OSMTC website:

www.otterystmary-tc.gov.uk

Completed applications must be returned to the Chief Executive Officer no later than:
Noon on Thursday 30th July 2020

The Town Council will consider filling by co-option the casual vacancy for one councillor for the Tipton St John Ward at the Full Council Meeting on 3rd August 2020

Christine McIntyre
Chief Executive Officer