## APPLICATION FOR CO-OPTION

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| **Title/Full Name** |  |
| **Home Address** **incl Post Code** |  |
| **Telephone No.**  |  |
| **Mobile No.** |  |
| **Email** |  |

**ELIGIBILITY FOR BEING A COMMUNITY COUNCILLOR**

**QUALIFICATIONS**

(To qualify you MUST be able to answer “Yes” to both questions below)

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| **Are you a British Citizen, a Commonwealth citizen or a citizen of a European Union country?** | Yes / No |
| **Are you 18 or over?** | Yes / No |

(To qualify you MUST be able to answer “Yes” to at LEAST one of the questions below)

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| **Are you on the electoral register for the wards of Langstone or Llanmartin?** | Yes / No |
| **Have you lived either in the wards of Langstone or Llanmartin, or within 3 miles of the boundaries for at least a year?** | Yes / No |
| **Have you been the owner or tenant of land in the wards of Langstone or Llanmartin for at least a year?** | Yes / No |
| **Have you had your only or main place of work in the wards of Langstone or Llanmartin for at least a year?** | Yes / No |

**DISQUALIFICATIONS**

(You must be able to answer “No” to ALL the questions below to serve as a Councillor)

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| **Are you the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or interim order?** | Yes / No |
| **Have you within the last five years been convicted of an offense in the UK, Channel Islands or Isle of Man which resulted in a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period of three months or more without the option of a fine?** | Yes / No |
| **Are you disqualified by order of a court from being a member of a local authority?** | Yes / No |

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| DECLARATION |
| I ……………………………………………………hereby confirm that I am eligible for the vacancy of Langstone Community Councillor, and the information given on this form is a true and accurate record. Signature: Date:…………/…………/……...  |

Briefly outline why you are interested in being a Community Councillor

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Please tell us something about the life experience you will bring to the Council, for example previous local government experience, work in the voluntary or charitable sector, business or trade union experience.

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Please tell us something about the skills you feel you will bring to the Council, for example, professional qualifications, financial or project management expertise.

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Signed:…………………………………………………….. Date:……………………………………

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| **COMPETENCY** | **ESSENTIAL** | **DESIRABLE** |
| **Personal Attributes** | * Sound knowledge and understanding of local affairs and the local community.
* Forward Thinking
 | • Can bring a new skill, expertise, or key local knowledge to the Council |
| **Experience, Skills, Knowledge and Ability** | * Ability to listen constructively
* A good team player
* Ability to pick up and run with a variety of projects Solid Interest in local matters.
* Ability and willingness to represent the Council and their community.
* Ability to communicate succinctly and clearly.
* Ability and willingness to work closely with other members and to maintain good working relationships with all members and staff.
* Good interpersonal skills and able to contribute opinions at meetings whilst willing to see others views and accept majority decisions.
* Ability and willingness to work with the Council’s partners (e.g., voluntary groups, other parish Councils, principal authority, charities).
* Ability and willingness to undertake induction training and other relevant training.
 | * Experience of working or being a member in a local authority or other public body.

 * Experience of working with voluntary and or local community / interest groups.

 * Basic knowledge of legal issues relating to town and parish Councils or local authorities.

 * Experience of delivering presentations
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| **Circumstances** | • Ability and willingness to attend meetings of the Council (or meetings of other local authorities and local bodies) at any time | • Ability and willingness to attend events in the evening and at weekends.  |

 **CO-OPTED COUNCILLOR PERSON SPECIFICATION**