



TOWN COUNCILLOR VACANCY

A vacancy has occurred on Lostwithiel Town Council due to the resignation of Phil Wisdom. The Town Council intends to co-opt to fill this vacancy.

1. If you are interested in becoming a Town Councillor, please submit a written expression of interest to the Town Clerk at the address below by **Tuesday 18 November 2025**. Please include a short personal statement giving reasons why you are interested in joining the Town Council together with a summary of your background and skills that you can offer the Council.
2. Candidates will be requested to attend a Council meeting on **Tuesday 02 December 2025** at 7pm in The Guildhall Lostwithiel and will be asked to address members regarding their application. If there are a number of applications for this vacancy you may be asked to arrive earlier.
3. If more applications are received than the one vacancy to be filled, the Town Council will decide which of the applications is to fill the vacancy.

Sandra Harris
Town Clerk
Lostwithiel Town Council
Edgumbe House
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15 October 2025

Qualification Categories LGA1972 Part V (79)

Regarding the arrangements for the filling of any vacancy where co-option applies, the Town Council may co-opt as a member, any person who is legally qualified to hold such office, and who is willing to serve, is a British or a citizen of the Commonwealth or European Union 18 years old or over and meets at least one of the following qualification categories: -

- (a) is registered as a local government elector for the parish;
- (b) has during the whole of the preceding twelve months occupied as owner or tenant, any land, or premises in the parish;
- (c) his/her principle or only place of work during the preceding twelve months has been in the parish;
- (d) had during the whole of the preceding twelve months resided in the parish or within 4.8 km thereof.

Disqualification Categories LGA 1972 Part V (80)

There are certain disqualifications for election which are listed in the Local Government Act 1972 Part V (80).

This legislation includes the following:-

- a) holding a paid office or employment with the Town Council;
- b) Bankruptcy
- c) Having been sentenced to a term of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) of more than three months, without the option of a fine during the five years preceding the election and
- d) being disqualified under any enactment relating to corrupt or illegal practices.

Further information

- Please contact the Town Clerk, Sandra Harris on 01208 872323 or email clerk@lostwithieltowncouncil.gov.uk to discuss this further and/or arrange a meeting with existing Councillors who can tell you more about their role.