## QUEENBOROUGH TOWN COUNCIL CO-OPTION FOR THE RUSHENDEN WARD TO BE HELD ON 24<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2023

## Qualifications

- (a) be a UK or Commonwealth citizen; or
- (b) be a citizen of the Republic of Ireland; or
- (c) be a citizen of another Member state of the European Union; and
- (d) be at least 18 years old.
- (e) be an elector of the town; or in the past 12 months have occupied (as a tenant or owner) land or other premises within the town boundary or;
- (f) work in the town (as your principal or only place of work); or
- (g) live within three miles of the town boundary

Disqualifications

- (a) he/she/they, within five years before his/her/their election, or since his/her/their election, been convicted of crime, and has passed upon his/her/their sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period of not less than three months without the option of a fine; OR
- (b) he/she/they have been adjudged bankrupt, or made a composition or arrangement within his creditors; OR
- (c) he/she/they hold any paid office or employment within the Town Council
- (d) he/she/they are disqualified under the provisions relating to corrupt or illegal practices (LGA 1972, s80(1), as amended by LGFA, 1982)

## Date of co-option process

The co-option process will be conducted at the Council meeting, the evening of 24th May 2023. The meeting will be held in the Queenborough Guildhall and will commence at 7.30pm to which you will be invited to attend. You will be asked to give a short (5 minute) presentation during the meeting to Councillors, explaining why you would like to join the Council and highlighting any specific qualities or skills that you think might help you in fulfilling the role.

Following this, there will be an opportunity for existing members to ask any questions they might have.

## Further information to consider

Preparation and attendance at monthly meetings equate to a minimum of four hours per month. However, as well as this, all Councillors are encouraged to join sub-committees and working parities, which ones you would like to join and how many is up to you.

Like most things, the more time you put in, the more you can give to the community of Queenborough and Rushenden.

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