

CODDENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Agenda Paper



Tuesday 21st May 2019

Report to Council

Item 2. To **CONSIDER** Applications for Co-opting Members of the Parish Council

Four seats on the Parish Council were left unfilled following the election on May 2nd 2019 and five eligible candidates have submitted applications to be considered for co-option to the Council. The application form for each candidate is attached.

Each Candidate must be considered individually. Candidates will be given up to five minutes to introduce themselves to the parish councillors, following which the Parish Council will proceed to a vote, without debate, with each candidate being proposed and seconded by the councillors in attendance. Following a successful proposal, each candidate's name will put forward for Councillors to select by votes by a show of hands (LGA 1972 Sch. 12. Para 13).

In order for a candidate to be co-opted to the Parish Council, they will require an absolute majority of votes cast (50% + 1 of the votes available at the meeting). If no candidate gains an overall majority in the first round of voting the candidate(s) with the least number of votes will drop out of the process and Councillors will be asked to cast their votes for the remaining candidates. Further rounds of voting will take place with the process repeated until a candidate has an absolute majority for the first seat under consideration.

Council will consider each vacant seat separately and voting for a seat will be completed before the next seat is considered. Candidates who are unsuccessful in a vote for the seat under consideration may stand for the second, third and fourth seats in due course. Candidates may decide to withdraw at any time and if any seats remain vacant after all candidates have been considered, the vacancy(ies) will be re-advertised.

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