Thank you for your interest in becoming a Town Councillor. Please provide the following information to assist the Council in making their decision.

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| **Full name and title** |  |
| **Home address**  **including postcode** |  |
| **Home telephone** |  |
| **Mobile telephone** |  |
| **Email** |  |

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| **About you:**  Please provide the Council with some background information about yourself.  **Note: answers in this section will be published and be available to the public.** |
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| **Reasons for applying:**  Please provide the Council with your reasons for wanting to become a Town Councillor.  **Note: answers in this section will be published and be available to the public.** |
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| **To be able to stand as a candidate at a parish or town council election, you must, unless disqualified by the Local Government Act 1972, be qualified to be elected [or co-opted] and to be a member of a local authority if he is a qualifying Commonwealth citizen [including a British Citizen], or a citizen of the Republic of Ireland, in the case of a local authority in England, a qualifying EU citizen or an EU citizen with retained rights and on the relevant day [day of co-option] he has attained the age of eighteen years and-**  **Meet at least one of the following four qualifications:**  a) on that day he/she is and thereafter he/she continues to be a local government elector for the area of the authority [the parish]; OR  b) he/she has during the whole of the twelve months preceding that day  [of co-option] occupied as owner or tenant any land or other premises in that area [the parish]; OR  c) his/her principle or only place of work during those twelve months have been in that area [the parish]; OR  d) he/she has during the whole of those twelve months resided in that area [the parish] or within three miles of it.   1. **Under Section 80 of the Local Government Act 1972, a person is disqualified from being elected as a Local Councillor or being a member of Local Council if:**   a) They hold any **paid** office or employment of the Town Council (other than the office of Chairman) or of a joint committee on which the Council is represented; or  b) Is a person who has been adjudged bankrupt or has made a composition or arrangement with their creditors (but see below); or  c) Has within five years before the day of election, or since their election, been convicted in the UK, Channel Islands or Isle of Man of any offence and has been sentenced to imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for not less than three months without the option of a fine; or  d) Is otherwise disqualified under Part III of the Representation of the People Act 1983 for corrupt or illegal practices; or  e) has been convicted for the failure to register or declare disclosable interests under the Localism Act 2011.  **The disqualification for bankruptcy ceases in the following circumstances:**   1. If the bankruptcy is annulled on the grounds that either the person ought not to have been adjudged bankrupt or that their debts have been fully discharged; 2. If the person is discharged with a certificate that the bankruptcy was caused by misfortune without misconduct on their part; 3. If the person is discharged without such a certificate.   In I. and II. above, the disqualification ceases on the date of the annulment or discharge.  In III., it ceases on the expiry of five years from the date of discharge. |

**DECLARATION**

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| I (insert full name)………………………………………  hereby confirm that I am eligible for the vacancy of Buckingham Town Councillor; and the information given on this form is a true and accurate record.  Signature…………………………………………………  Date……………………………………………………… |

**The answers provided to the first two, textual questions will be published and used by councillors to help them make their decision.**

The personal details and contact details will remain confidential and will only be used for the purpose of communicating with you regarding your application. If you are successful in your application to become a Town Councillor, then your home address and personal interests are required to be made public, unless there is a reason for them to remain confidential.

Councillors are provided with Council email addresses which are made public.