

NOTICE OF VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF PARISH COUNCILLOR

Kington Langley Parish Council

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that due to the retirement of Ms Linda Reynolds, a casual vacancy has arisen in the office of Councillor for Kington Langley Parish Council.

Following the publication of the Wiltshire Council Notice of Vacancy, as a by-election was not requested by the required number of registered electors, the Parish Council is looking to fill the vacancy by co-option.

A person is eligible to be a parish councillor if they are 18 or older and a British citizen, an eligible Commonwealth citizen, or a citizen of the European Union, and they meet at least one of the following criteria:

- are registered as an elector of the parish, OR
- have occupied (as owner or tenant) any land or other premises in the parish during the whole of the 12 months before the day of their nomination / co-option, OR
- have worked in the parish (as their principal or only place of work) during the previous 12 months, OR
- have lived in the parish or within 3 miles of the parish boundary during the whole of the previous 12 months.

(Note: Certain individuals are disqualified from holding office, such as those holding paid employment with the council or those who have been declared bankrupt.)

Anyone interested in serving the community as a Parish Councillor should request an application form from the Parish Clerk at klparishclerk@kingtonlangley-pc.gov.uk. All applications should be returned by e-mail **no later than 5 pm on Friday 7th August 2026**.

All eligible applications received by the closing date will be considered by the full council at **7:30 pm on Monday 10th August 2026** before the start of the Parish Council meeting which will be held in the Committee Room at Kington Langley Village Hall.

As part of the application process, all candidates will need to be available to attend this meeting and may be invited to speak briefly about themselves. The council will then vote to co-opt the new councillor.

The co-opted councillor will be asked to sign a Declaration of Acceptance of Office to become a member of the council and will be invited to join the Parish Council meeting. Becoming a Parish Councillor also means having to sign up to the Code of Conduct, copies of which can be found on the Parish Council website www.kingtonlangley-pc.gov.uk