

NOTICE OF TWO VACANCIES IN THE OFFICE OF PARISH COUNCILLOR

Kington Langley Parish Council

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that due to the resignation of Elizabeth Evans and Kristina Harrison-Jones, two casual vacancies have 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 vacancies 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 2nd October 2026**.

All eligible applications received by the closing date will be considered at an extraordinary meeting of the full Parish Council at **7:30 pm on Tuesday 6th October 2026** to 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 will be invited to speak briefly about themselves. The council will then vote to co-opt new councillors to fill each vacancy.

The co-opted councillors 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 next Parish Council meeting to be held the following **Monday 12th October**. 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