

HAVENSTREET AND ASHEY PARISH COUNCIL

CO-OPTION OF A MEMBER

The Parish Council will consider the co-option of a person to serve on the Havenstreet and Ashley Parish Council at a meeting to be held on.

Persons wishing to be considered and who are eligible* to serve as a Town/Parish Councillor should notify the Parish Clerk in writing, under their own signature by 22 April 2026.

Prospective candidates will be asked to make a short presentation to the Parish Council on how they can contribute to the Parish Council.

Dated 1 April 2026 Signed  _____

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* A local councillor must be 18 years of age or over and be a British citizen, an eligible Commonwealth citizen, a citizen of the Republic of Ireland, a qualifying EU citizen or an EU citizen with retained rights

He/she must also fulfil at least one of the following criteria:-

- i) During the whole of the 12 months before nomination occupied land or premises as owner or tenant in the parish area, or,
- ii) During the same period resided in the Parish, or within 4.8 k.m's thereof, or
- iii) During the same period had his/her principal or only place of work in that Parish, or
- iv) At the time of nomination be registered, and continue to be registered, as a local government elector for the administrative area of the Parish.

The person should not be disqualified for being elected by reason of any disqualification set out in, or decision made under, sections 80 or 81A of the Local Government Act 1972 or section 34 of the Localism Act 2011, or section 30 of the Elections Act 2022

Please see the next page regarding qualifying EU citizens and EU citizens with retained rights

Qualifying EU citizens

A person is a qualifying EU citizen if they:

- are a citizen of a country with which the UK has bilateral Voting and Candidacy Rights (VCR) treaty
- are resident in the UK with any form of leave to remain, or do not require such leave

Currently the UK holds bilateral treaties with the following countries:

- Denmark
- Luxembourg
- Poland
- Portugal
- Spain

EU citizens with retained rights

A person is an EU citizen with retained rights if they:

- are a citizen of a country with which the UK does not have bilateral Voting and Candidacy Rights (VCR) treaty, and
- have been legally resident in the UK since before the UK left the EU on 31/12/2020 (the Implementation Period Completion Date – IPCD)