

COTGRAVE TOWN COUNCIL COUNCIL VACANCIES – CO-OPTION

Local parish and town councils can only be as connected and helpful as the people elected to run them, so we need councillors capable, enthusiastic, and engaged to reflect their community.

Council would welcome written expressions of interest from anyone in Cotgrave who wishes to join the Council. Cotgrave Town Council has **3** vacancies to be filled by co-option, to serve on Council for the next 4 years.

To be a councillor you need to be:

- British or a citizen of the Commonwealth. You may also be eligible as a citizen of the European Union, however the criteria has changed now that the UK has left the European Union. Please check on the [gov.uk website for advice about EU citizens' voting and candidacy rights](#) in local elections.
- Aged over 18.
- Registered to vote in the area or have lived, worked, or owned property there for at least 12 months before an election.

You can't be a councillor if you:

- Work for the council you want to be a councillor for, you can work for another local authority as long as you are not in a political restricted post.
- Are the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or interim order.
- Have been sentenced to prison for three months or more (including suspended sentences) during the five years before election day.
- Have been convicted of a corrupt or illegal practice by an election court.
- Are subject to any relevant notification requirements, or a relevant order, in respect of a sexual offence.

Please read the full [eligibility criteria from the Electoral Commission](#). If you are in any doubt about whether you are eligible to stand as a councillor, you should contact the Electoral Services or Democratic Services team at your local council or the Electoral Commission for advice.

If you express an interest in being co-opted, you will be invited to attend a Cotgrave Town Council Meeting.

Please forward your applications to:-

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