



PENHOW COMMUNITY COUNCIL

CASUAL VACANCY

A casual vacancy has arisen for a Community Councillor on the Penhow Community Council.

The vacancy had been advertised, and as no call was made for an election, the Community Council have the right to Co-opt a resident onto the Community Council.

If you live in Penhow and want to do something positive for your village, to make a difference to where you live, then please consider joining Penhow Community Council. Why not step forward and help your community now.

The Community Council meet monthly (usually at 7.15pm on the first Wednesday of the month) and you will need to be able to attend these meetings.

For more details, and to see if you are eligible to join the Council please contact the clerk and send us your expression of interest and CV stating why you would like to join, and what skills and attributes you would bring with you. See also below for details about eligibility.

Depending upon the numbers of expressions of interest received a selection process will be undertaken using the expressions of interest and CV's provided.

Closing date for expressions of interest and CV's is **30th September 2024**.

Contact our clerk Beverly Cawley by Email at: clerk@penhowcommunity.org.uk
Or telephone 07785747762

CO-OPTED COUNCILLORS

Co-opted Councillors have the same rights and responsibilities as those Councillors who obtain office through election.

Training in various areas relevant to Council work will be available to new Co-opted members, and you will be required to attend Code of Conduct training ideally within one month of accepting the post of Co-opted Councillor.

In order to join the Council, you must meet the below criteria:

Eligibility to Apply

There are four categories of eligibility to be a qualified candidate for co-option to the Community Council:

- the candidate is on the electoral register for the Community of Penhow (on the day of application and thereafter); or
- he/she has during the whole of the 12 months before occupied as owner or tenant any land or premises in the Community; or
- his/her principal or only place of work during those 12 months has been in the Community; or
- he/she has during the whole of those 12 months resided in the Community or within three miles of it.

Disqualifications:

There are several disqualification criteria to consider:

Already holding paid office with the council; bankruptcy / debt relief orders; convictions in the last five years (with imprisonment terms of three months or more); being found guilty of corrupt or illegal practices; or having disqualification orders after unlawful expenditure.

Please check with us for further detail if relevant.