

**Engagement and Participation Working Group
Update on Plans for Co-option**

1. Background

CWPC currently has 4 vacant seats. It has been confirmed that the latest seat to become vacant can now be filled via co-option.

The engagement and Participation working group have given consideration to the process of advertising and timeline for the co-options.

2. Publication of Vacancies

It was decided that the vacancies would be publicised using the following methods

- Direct leafleting of West and Middle Ward
- Leaflets available at Green Energy Event
- Posters on Noticeboards
- Website
- Facebook
- Attempt to get an article in the local paper.
- Articles are already in inspire magazine and Villages magazine.

3. Timescales and Further info

Closing date for applications to be 29th September 2023.

Depending on the number of applications received we may include in the next Full Council meeting in October or if there are a large number of applications we will arrange an extraordinary meeting specifically to consider the co-options.

The Working group acknowledged that if there were not enough applicants from residents of Middle or West ward then applications would be welcomed from residents who do not reside in the specific wards that the vacancies are in.

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