## Stanwick Parish Council CO-OPTION APPLICATION FORM

## Section 1 Address: ..... Postcode ...... Tel. Mobile ......Email: ..... Please tell us about any experience you have that may be relevant to Stanwick Parish Council. (If necessary, please continue on a separate sheet of paper). ..... Is there any other information you wish to disclose regarding your application? (If necessary, please continue on a separate sheet of paper). .....

Section 2 - Essential qualification criteria – in order to be considered for co-option you must meet the criteria below:

Note: It is the sole responsibility of the Candidate to ensure they meet the legal criteria contained in Sections 79, 80, 81 & 85 of the Local Government Act 1972. Warning: It is an electoral offence to make a false declaration. If in any doubt you should seek appropriate legal advice. See <a href="https://www.electoralcommission.org.uk">www.electoralcommission.org.uk</a> for further advice.

1. In order to be eligible for co-option as a Stanwick Parish Councillor you must be a British subject, or a citizen of the Commonwealth or the European Union; and on the 'relevant date' (i.e. the day on which you are elected) be 18 years of age or over; <b>and</b> additionally able to meet at least one of the following qualifications set out below:
$\hfill \square$ I am registered as a local government elector for the parish and continue to be; or
$\hfill \square$ I have, during the whole of the twelve months preceding the date of my cooption, occupied as owner or tenant, land or other premises in the parish; or
$\hfill \square$ My principal or only place of work during the last twelve months has been in the parish; or
$\hfill \square$ I have during the whole of the last twelve months resided either in the parish or within 4.8 kilometres of it.

## Please tick which of the above apply to you.

- 2. Please note that under Section 80 of the Local Government Act 1972 a person is disqualified from being elected as a Local Councillor or being a member of a Local Council if he/she:
- a) holds any paid office or employment of the local council (other than the office of Chairman) or of a joint committee on which the Council is represented; or
- b) is a person who has been adjudged bankrupt or has made a composition or arrangement with his/her creditors (but see below); or
- c) has within five years before the day of election, or since his/her election, been convicted in the UK, Channel Islands or Isle of Man of any offence and has been sentenced to imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for not less than three months without the option of a fine; or
- d) is otherwise disqualified under Part III of the representation of the People Act 1983 for corrupt or illegal practices.

The disqualification for bankruptcy ceases in the following circumstances:-

- i) if the bankruptcy is annulled on the grounds that either the person ought not to have been adjudged bankrupt or that his/her debts have been fully discharged;
- ii) if the person is discharged with a certificate that the bankruptcy was caused by misfortune without misconduct on his/her part;

iii) if the person is discharged without such a certificate.
In (i) and (ii) above, the disqualification ceases on the date of the annulment and discharge respectively. In (iii), it ceases on the expiry of five years from the date of discharge.
I (insert name)
Signed: Dated:
Please return your completed form to:
The Parish Clerk, Stanwick Parish Council, 29 Hill House Gardens, Stanwick, Northamptonshire NN9 6QH
Or to the Parish Office in the Village Hall
No later than: 12 noon on30 <sup>th</sup> April 2017