APPLICATION FOR CO-OPTION Supporting Notes:

Thank you for expressing an interest in standing as a councillor for Bourne Town Council to fill the current vacancy. It is a very active council with a strong desire to ensure that the parish of Bourne develops in such a way that it benefits the area for the future. The Town Council is a statutory consultee for all planning applications which are considered by the District Planning Committee. It works closely with the Highways Authority and other departments at the County Council, the District Council, Lincolnshire Constabulary, local community groups and businesses for the benefit of the Parish.

The Council must conduct itself in accordance with the many relevant statutes including the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2011, the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 and the Local Government Act 1972 to name but a few.

Becoming a councillor provides an opportunity to be informed of many issues facing the Parish and to become involved in the decision making that affects our Parish.

Meetings of the Council are held regularly on Tuesday evenings throughout the year. There may be requirements for you to attend meetings additional to these to further investigate specific issues. All councillors are summoned to meetings (i.e. have a duty to attend) and must give apologies in advance if they are unable to attend. Councillors are all volunteers and receive no remuneration. Once co-opted or elected, all new councillors are provided with training, support and advice. In order to be eligible to become a councillor, candidates must be 18 years of age or older; must either live in the parish, or within 3 miles of the boundary, or have their principle or main place of work in the parish at the time of standing; must not be a declared bankrupt; and must not have had a criminal conviction within the last five years which involved a custodial sentence of three months or more.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us VIA EMAIL: clerk.bournetc@btconnect.com and if you're still interested in becoming a town Councillor, please complete the attached application and return to us. BOURNE TOWN COUNCIL, SK Community Point, 3 Abbey Road, Bourne, PE10 9EF. Telephone: 01778 426123 Email: <u>clerk.bournetc@btconnect.com</u> This must be returned by the 12th June 2023.

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1. Name	
Address	
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TelephoneMobile	
Email	
2. Please provide a brief description of the nature of your employment throughout your working life and any skills, training or experience you have which may be useful to the Council:	
3. Please explain your interest in Bourne and wh becoming a Councillor:	y you would be interested in
4. Please list any other voluntary or community v previously been involved in:	vork that you are currently or have
5. Please provide any other information that you Council in considering your application for co-option	-
Thank you for taking the time to complete this ap	plication form. Once received,

applications for co-option will be considered by the Town Council. The final process will be confirmed following the closure date of 12th June 2023.