

CHELTENHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL

**APPLICATION FOR THE POSITION OF INDEPENDENT PERSON UNDER SECTION
28 OF THE LOCALISM ACT 2011**

Individuals who wish to be considered for the appointment as an Independent Person for Cheltenham Borough Council are requested to provide the following information to support their application. All information provided will only be used for the purposes of selecting one or more Independent Person(s). Please feel free to use a separate continuation page if you wish to expand upon your answer to any question outlined below.

1. PERSONAL DETAILS:

Name:

Address:

Postcode:

Contact Details:

Daytime Telephone Number:

Mobile:

Email address:

2. QUALIFICATIONS

(Please give details of any of your qualifications which you think are relevant to the position of Independent Person)

3. SUMMARY OF EXPERIENCE

(Please give a brief account of your experience including career, public and voluntary work together with the nature of your current or most recent occupation).

4. RELEVANT EXPERIENCE/SKILLS

(Please outline briefly any knowledge or expertise which you believe would be particularly relevant to your role as an Independent Person having regard to the selection criteria for the position).

5. Why do you wish to be considered for the position of Independent Person and what particular attributes do you believe you would bring to the work of the role?

6. Please provide any additional information you may wish to give in support of your application.

7. References will be taken up for all applicants who are invited for interview.

1. Name

Address:

Tel No:

2. Name

Address:

Tel No:

I wish to apply to be an Independent Person for Cheltenham Borough Council.

In submitting this application, I declare that I am not, and have not during the past five years been:

- (i) a Member, Co-opted Member (other than as an independent co-opted member of Cheltenham Borough Council's Standards Committee), or Officer of Cheltenham Borough Council;
- (ii) a Member, Co-opted Member or Officer of a Parish Council within the Borough Council's area; or
- (iii) a relative, or close friend, of such a person

Signed:

Date:

Please return this application form **by 1st June 2012** to:

Sara Freckleton
Monitoring Officer
Cheltenham Borough Council
Municipal Offices
The Promenade
Cheltenham
Gloucestershire
GL50 9SA

NOTE:

Interviews are likely to be held during the w/c 11th June 2012. Please advise of any times that you are not available during that period.

1. Meetings with Officers (e.g. the Monitoring Officer), Members and complainants may need to be held at short notice and at any time during the working day, or early evening.
2. If you are required to attend a Standards Committee meeting, it will normally be held in the daytime, but occasionally may be held in the early evening and/or at short notice.
3. The successful appointees will therefore need to be flexible in being able to attend such hearings and meetings, on occasion at short notice.

NOTE: ELIGIBILITY FOR APPOINTMENT

4. A person is not an Independent Person if the person is currently, or has been at any time during the 5 years ending with the appointment:
 - (i) a Member, Co-opted Member (other than as an independent co-opted member of Cheltenham Borough Council's Standards Committee), or Officer of Cheltenham Borough Council;
 - (ii) a Member, Co-opted Member or Officer of a Parish Council within the Borough Council's area; or
 - (iii) a relative, or close friend, of such a person.

A relative is defined by the Act as:

- One's spouse, civil partner, or partner one lives with.
- One's grandparent, or Lineal Descendant of a grandparent.
- A parent, sibling, or child of one's own, or of one's partner or spouse.
- The spouse or civil partner of: your grandparent, or of a Lineal Descendant of your grandparent, or of your parent, sibling or child.

A Lineal Descendant is a child, grandchild, great grandchild and so on.

PERSONS WHO ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO BE INDEPENDENT PERSONS AS A RESULT OF ANY OF THE ABOVE SHOULD NOT APPLY.