

**PRESTON UNDER SCAR PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING ON 10 FEBRUARY 2022
REPORT OF THE CLERK
APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR APPOINTMENT AS A CO-OPTED
COUNCILLOR**

Following former Councillor Cormack's resignation from the Parish Council formal notice of the vacancy was given in accordance with the statutory requirements. As there was no request to hold an election to fill the vacancy, the Parish Council decided to proceed to fill the vacancy by co-option.

The vacancy was advertised on the Parish Noticeboard and the Parish Council's website and was also circulated to residents on the Council's email list, together with details of the qualifications and disqualifications from being a Councillor. The closing date for applications was Friday 28 January 2022.

One application has been received from Mr M Sayers, who has submitted his CV (a copy of which has been previously sent to Councillors, together with Mr Sayers' covering email).

The Council is requested to consider:

- the application from Mr Sayers
- whether or not it wishes the Clerk to seek any further information from the applicant
- whether it wishes to interview Mr Sayers

before determining whether it wishes (under the procedures adopted by the Council at its meeting on 13 January 2022) to recommend to the Clerk that Mr Sayers be co-opted as Parish Councillor until the next elections to the Parish Council (which are likely to be in May 2022).