



Nuneaton Town Supporters' Co-operative

Applications to stand for election onto the Co-operative Board

1. At the AGM, Nuneaton Town Supporters' Co-operative is seeking applications from members to stand for election to the Co-operative Board. There are four places available.
2. Applications must be made using the nomination form enclosed with this Notice and returned to Martin Ball, Election Officer, by 3rd May, 2017. Postal applications are to be sent to 28 Radley Drive, Nuneaton CV10 7HX. Emailed applications (in Word format, using the application forms downloaded from <http://www.nuneatontownsupporterscoop.com> are to be emailed to ballm1@icloud.com. The same deadline applies to both postal and emailed applications.
3. Nominees must produce an election manifesto of no more than five hundred (500) words either on this form or on a separate sheet of paper. Members of the Election Management Group (EMG) will retype all manifestos received, check them for accuracy against the originals, and distribute them to all Co-operative members in advance of the election (if required).
4. The completed application may also include a photograph, which will be used as part of the election pack sent to all members. Photographs can either be emailed as images to ballm1@icloud.com or alternatively prints can be posted to 28 Radley Drive, Nuneaton CV10 7HX.
5. The Co-operative Board is to have not less than six and not more than 12 members and will be made up as follows:
 - (a) A minimum of six elected by the members in accordance with such arrangements as shall be determined by the Co-operative Board.
 - (b) Not more than four members may be co-opted by the Society Board in accordance with a Board Membership Policy, which it will develop and adopt and such members shall be required, if they are not already, to become members of the Society.
6. If there is a contested election (i.e. more than 12 applicants standing) then the Co-operative membership will be balloted. The document containing applicant manifestos will be sent to all members together with a ballot paper.
7. If the election is not contested (i.e. 12 or less applicants) then all of the applicants will be elected to the Society Board at the AGM. The manifestos document will be available at the AGM itself, and posted on the Co-operative Website following the formal election of the Board.
8. The proposed Board positions are: Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Treasurer. Other position titles will be decided upon as required. Note that applications for election to the Co-operative Board are not for specific positions. These will be decided by the elected board. Please note that the Secretary may be a non-Board position and will be appointed by the elected Board.
9. Members wishing to be considered for either co-opting onto the Board or to be on a particular working group should indicate their wishes on the appropriate attached application form.
10. The following in particular may be co-opted: (i) a representative or representatives of the Council for the Area on behalf of itself and neighbouring local authorities; (ii) a representative or representatives of the young; (iii) a representative of disabled supporters; (iv) a representative of local business; (v) a representative or representatives of any other groups associated with the Club (e.g. the Vice Presidents); (vi) a representative



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or representatives of the Sports Council and any community scheme run in association with the Club; (viii) a representative of the players at the club, through a professional association or otherwise.

11. Whilst the number of individuals elected to the board is low, there is a lot of scope for interested individuals to become involved via specific sub-groups and committees, which will report back to the Society Board.
12. Members of the Society Board will normally serve for periods of three years. Co-opted Society Board members may be re-appointed for a further period subject to these Rules.

Candidates are also self-certifying that they comply with the Society Rules and Board Membership and Conduct Policy relating to eligibility to serve on the Board. In particular, no person can be a member of the society Board:

(With the exception of co-opted members co-opted onto the Society board under Rule [67] or the Rules) who ceases to be a Member of the Society; who has been a member of the Board for 12 consecutive years; who is subject to a bankruptcy order or has in place a composition with his/her creditors; who is subject to a disqualification order made under the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986;

Fails to abide by any rules for the conduct of elections made by the Co-operative Board. Who has a conviction for an indictable offence (other than a spent conviction as defined by the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act 1974); in relation to whom a registered medical practitioner who is treating them gives a written opinion to the Society stating that they have become physically or mentally incapable of acting as a Director and may remain so for more than three months;

In relation to whom by reason of their mental health, a court makes an order which wholly or partly prevents them from personally exercising any powers or rights which that person would otherwise have.

13. Members who have any queries can email the Election Officer: Martin Ball, on ballm1@icloud.com