



2021 CHELMSFORD STAR CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD ELECTIONS

Members' Council Nomination Form

Completing your form

- Please complete all sections of the form fully and accurately.
- Write only information that you know to be correct.
- Sign and date the "Declaration" section to confirm the accuracy of the information you have provided. Electronic signatures are acceptable.
- Return completed and signed nomination forms, passport sized photograph and proof of ID (Passport, Driving Licence or Birth Certificate) by post or email to:
Ellen Tredwin, Secretary, Chelmsford Star Co-operative Society Ltd, 220 Moulsham Street, Chelmsford, Essex CM2 0LS
ellen@chelmsfordstar.coop
- Nominations need to be received by 4.00 pm on 5th April 2021.

2. Candidate's Details

Only your name will appear in the election materials, along with your statement and photograph.

Surname		Title: (Mr, Mrs, Ms, Miss, Dr, etc.)	
Forename(s)		Commonly known as	
Membership No.		Date of Birth	
Current Address			
	Postcode:		
Home Telephone (include dialling code)		Mobile Number	
E-mail Address			

Please list below all the addresses you have lived at, or been associated with, over the last five years, excluding your current address. For example, this might include buy-to-let properties.

Dates:	Previous Address:
	Postcode:
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2. Supporting Members

You must have a proposer and seconder who is a member of Chelmsford Star Co-operative Society Ltd (the Society).

Nomination Proposed by:

Surname		Title: (Mr, Mrs, Ms, Miss, Dr, etc.)	
Forename(s)			
Membership No.		Signature	
Telephone:		Email:	

Nomination Seconded by:

Surname		Title: (Mr, Mrs, Ms, Miss, Dr, etc.)	
Forename(s)			
Membership No.		Signature	
Telephone:		Email:	

If, due to Covid restrictions, you are unable to have your nominators sign this application form, the Secretary shall make direct contact with the members to gain their acceptance. Please ensure that your proposer and seconder consent to such contact.

3. Qualifying for Election

To be eligible to stand for election to the Members' Council, you need to meet the following criteria. Please tick each box that applies to you.

- I am aged 16 years of age or over
- I have made purchases from the Society of at least £100 in the last year or have at least £50 share capital invested in the Society.

Are you aware of any conflict of interest that would prevent you from fairly and impartially carrying out your duties on the Members' Council?

- No Yes

If yes, please give details:

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4. Your Election Statement

You have up to 300 words for your election statement. This is your opportunity to outline the reasons why members should vote for you.

You may wish to refer to how you believe you can fulfil the role, the skills and experience that you have to offer, any relevant training you have undertaken and other voluntary bodies that you have served on.

In addition, you have the opportunity to highlight any relevant skills, knowledge or experience, in no more than ten words per bullet point;

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3.	

5. Photograph

Candidates should submit a colour, passport-sized 'head and shoulders' style photograph for use in the election materials and this may also be submitted electronically, if preferred. All photographs are required to be less than 12 months old at the time of nomination.

The image provided will be used on election material, including (but not limited to) the ballot paper, election statement booklet, instore posters, the Society's website and social media pages.

6. Declaration & Next Steps

I declare that:

- The information I have supplied is accurate.
- I comply with the eligibility requirements relating to the elections.
- I have read the Code of Conduct for elected members.
- I have read the Canvassing Code of Practice.
- I have undertaken my own thorough examination of the Society to satisfy that I have confidence in and will be well suited to working with the Society.

I understand that the Secretary may make whatever enquiries are deemed appropriate to satisfy the Society that my nomination complies with the requirements of the Society Rules.

If elected, I agree to:

- Commit to maintaining and to upholding co-operative values and principles.
- Abide by the terms of the Code of Conduct which applies to elected members.
- Meet any requirements to undertake training and development during my term of office.

Your Information

- Your information will be processed and stored in a secure format by the Society.
- The Secretary will retain control of the information and ensure that it remains confidential and is not used for any other purposes other than this nomination.
- Your information will be secured and at all times we will endeavour to comply with Data Protection and other privacy regulations.
- Under the Data Protection Act, you are entitled to request a copy of information we hold about you.

Giving Your Consent

By completing and submitting this form you are confirming that:

- You understand that the Society may use your information as outlined above.
- You understand that if during our searches and checks we receive information considered to be unsatisfactory to the Society, this will be brought to the attention of the Board.

What Happens Next With My Nomination?

Following the closing date for nominations, the Society Secretary acting as the Returning Officer will review your nomination form.

The Returning Officer is entitled to request further information from you if not fully satisfied through your nomination form and initial screening results that all eligibility requirements have been met.

If the Returning Officer is not satisfied that the eligibility requirements have been met, they are entitled to decide that you may not go forward on to the ballot or proceed in the election process. You will be informed of the decision and given reasons in writing.

If at any time after the confirmation of the ballot to the declaration of the election result, the Returning Officer is provided with the information through due diligence that eligibility requirements have not been met or maintained by a candidate, they are entitled to decide that you may not proceed in the election process and will be withdrawn from the ballot. You will be informed of the decision and given reasons in writing.

I confirm that I have read and understood all sections of this Form and give my consent for all searches and checks to be carried out by the Society.

Signed	
Print Name	Date

- Appendix 1 Society Rules
- Appendix 2 Code of Conduct for Elected Members
- Appendix 3 Canvassing Code of Practice