

[The Parish Councils \(General Power of Competence\) \(Prescribed Conditions\) Order 2012 No. 965](#)

Conditions of Eligibility -General Power of Competence:

1. The council has resolved at a meeting of the council and each subsequent relevant annual meeting that it meets the conditions in paragraph 2 below.

2.—(1) At the time a resolution under paragraph 1 is passed —

(a) the number of members of the council that have been declared to be elected (**8**), whether at ordinary elections or at a by-election, **is equal to or greater than two-thirds of the total number of members (9) of the council;**

(b) the clerk to the parish council holds—

**(i) the Certificate in Local Council Administration;**

(ii) the Certificate of Higher Education in Local Policy;

(iii) the Certificate of Higher Education in Local Council Administration; or

(iv) the first level of the foundation degree in Community Engagement and Governance awarded by the University of Gloucestershire or its successor qualifications; and

(c) the clerk to the parish council has completed the relevant training, unless such training was required for the purpose of obtaining a qualification of a description mentioned in paragraph (b).

(2) For the purposes of this paragraph “relevant training” means training—

(a) in the exercise of the general power;

(b) provided in accordance with the national training strategy for parish councils adopted by the National Association of Local Councils, as revised from time to time.