



WEM TOWN COUNCIL

NOTICE UNDER LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1972 (Section 87(2))

VACANCY FOR A COUNCILLOR PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that a casual vacancy has occurred in the office of Councillor for the **EAST** Ward of the **WEM TOWN COUNCIL** following the resignation on 10th July 2018 of Councillor MR P WHITE.

Rule 5(2) of The Local Elections (Parishes and Communities) (England and Wales) Rules, 2006 now applies.

The rule allows TEN ELECTORS for the ward in which the casual vacancy has arisen to request the Returning Officer to hold an election to fill the vacancy. That request must be made within FOURTEEN DAYS of the date of this notice. The fourteen-day period ends on 8.8.18 *

What if a request to hold an election is not received during the permitted time? Rule 5(5) of the above Rules will apply. The Town Council must, as soon as practicable after the expiry of the fourteen-day period, co-opt a person to fill the vacancy.

The Returning Officer's address is:

Electoral Services, Shropshire Council, Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, Shropshire SY2 6ND. telephone number for further guidance is 0345 678 9015.

This notice is dated 19.7.18**

P O'Hagan Clerk to the Council

Wem Town Council, Edinburgh House, New Street, Wem SY4 5DB

* There is no form of words for this request, which might simply be a letter headed with such words as "We the undersigned being electors for the East Ward of Wem Urban Parish, call for an election to fill the vacancy arising from the resignation of Cllr White...". It is helpful if the ten signatures are accompanied by printed names and addresses.

** In calculating the notice period, day one is the day following the date of this notice; a Saturday, Sunday, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Good Friday or a Bank Holiday or day appointed for public thanksgiving or mourning shall be disregarded, and the period closes at midnight on the fourteenth day after the date of this notice. Rule 5(2) of The Local Elections (Parishes and Communities) (England and Wales) Rules, 2006 now applies.