



CASUAL VACANCY

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 16/18

12 FEBRUARY 2018

The purpose of this paper is to inform Members of the formal requirements for filling a Casual Vacancy on a Town Council.

No. DETAILS

1) BACKGROUND

- a) In the event of a casual vacancy occurring in the office of a Town or Parish Councillor, public notice must be given by the Town or Parish council in accordance with Section 87(2) of the Local Government Act 1972.
 - b) Section 232 of the Local Government Act 1972 requires that a public notice of the vacancy shall be given by posting the notice in some conspicuous place or places within the area of the Council and in such other manner, if any, as appears to the Council to be desirable for giving publicity to the notice.
 - c) An election will be held if within fourteen days (this is calculated by excluding Saturdays, Sundays, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Good Friday, bank holidays and days appointed for public thanksgiving) after public notice of the vacancy has been given, notice in writing of a request for such an election has been given to the returning officer by ten electors for the Ward.
 - d) If no such request is received within the time stipulated, the Town Council must fill the vacancy by co-option as soon as practicable.
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2) PUBLIC NOTICE

- a) A notice prepared in accordance with these requirements is attached to the Report for Members' information and will be posted on the day after this meeting.
 - b) The Notice has been agreed with the Isle of Wight Council's Elections Officer.
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VENTNOR TOWN COUNCIL

NOTICE OF A VACANCY AS A TOWN COUNCILLOR FOR VENTNOR EAST WARD

This is to give the statutory notice that:

- 1) A vacancy has occurred in the Ventnor East Ward of the Town of Ventnor for a Councillor to serve on the Town Council.
- 2) If ten local government electors for the Ventnor East Ward of Ventnor Council give notice on or before 5 March 2018 to:
The Proper Officer
Isle of Wight Council, County Hall, Newport
Isle of Wight PO30 1UD
that they wish an election to be held to fill the vacancy, then a by-election will be held.
- 3) If notice is not given as mentioned in 2) above, Ventnor Town Council will proceed to fill the vacancy by co-option.

Signed

Date 13 February 2018

Address Salisbury Gardens, Dudley Road, Ventnor, Isle of Wight PO30 1UD
