

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

REPORT 80/21

11 OCTOBER 2021

The purpose of this Report is to inform Members formally of the current vacancy for a Member to represent the town's Lowtherville Ward.

No. DETAILS

I) BACKGROUND

- a) Colm Watling resigned as one of the two Members representing Lowtherville Ward by email to the Mayor on 15 September 2021.
- b) The formal notice of the casual vacancy was published on 24 September and is attached to this Report,

2) PROCESS

- a) If 10 or more residents of the Ward listed on the Electoral Roll write to the Proper Officer of the Isle of Wight Council to request an election to fill the vacancy, that Council will arrange for one to take place.
- b) If fewer than 10 letters are received by the Proper Officer by Thursday 14 October the Town Council can fill the vacancy by co-option.

3) RECOMMENDATION

The Town Council is recommended to note the process for filling the vacancy and agree to encourage eligible residents to write to the Isle of Wight Council accordingly.

Notice of a Vacancy as a Town Councillor for the Lowtherville Ward

This is to give the statutory notice that:

- 1) A vacancy has occurred in the Lowtherville Ward of the Town of Ventnor for a Councillor to serve on the Town Council.
- 2) If ten local government electors for the Lowtherville Ward of Ventnor Council give notice on or before 14 October 2021 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

24 September 2021

Address

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