

# Vowchurch & District Group Parish Council

## NOTICE OF VACANCY

IN THE OFFICE OF PARISH COUNCILLOR for

### Michaelchurch Escley Parish

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that a casual vacancy is deemed to have occurred in the office of Councillor for the **Michaelchurch Escley Parish** following the **resignation of Simeon Wood Cole**.

Rule 5 of the Local Elections (Parishes and Communities) (England and Wales) Rules 2006, provides that on a casual vacancy occurring in the office of **Parish** councillor, an election to fill the vacancy shall be held if within fourteen days\* after the date of this notice (i.e. no later than **Thursday, 11th March 2021**) has been given in accordance with section 87(2) of the Local Government Act 1972, notice in writing of a request for such an election has been given to the proper officer of the council of the district within which the **Parish** is situate by **TEN** electors for the **Parish**.

If a request for an election is not received by the above deadline then **Vowchurch & District Group Parish Council** will co-opt a person to fill the vacancy as soon as practicable in accordance with the Local Elections (Parishes and Communities) Rules 1986.

Where ten valid requests for a by-election are received by the Proper Officer then under the provisions of the Coronavirus Act 2020 and The Local Government and Police and Crime Commissioner (Coronavirus) (Postponement of Elections and Referendums) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 the by-election will not currently take place, and the vacancy will be held open until the by election takes place. The 2020 regulations provide for the by election to take place on the date for the Ordinary Election of Councillors due to be held on Thursday 6 May 2021. However, this date may be brought forward or deferred by the Government depending upon the circumstances. Any Election that is In due course called will be duly publicised as required by law.

The proper officer is Claire Ward Herefordshire Council, Electoral Services, Town Hall, St Owen Street, Hereford, HR1 2PJ

**Clerk to Vowchurch & District Group Parish Council**

Dated: Friday, 19th February 2021

\*In computing any period of time for this purpose, a Saturday, Sunday, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Good Friday, or bank or public holidays or any day appointed for public thanksgiving or mourning must be disregarded.

# REQUEST FOR AN ELECTION

WE, the undersigned, being local government electors for Michaelchurch Escley Parish, call for an election to fill the vacancy arising from the resignation of Simeon Wood Cole.

	<b>SIGNATURE</b>	<b>PRINT NAME</b>	<b>ADDRESS</b>
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Dated \_\_\_\_\_

In case of a problem with the signatories could you please complete the following with a contact name and telephone number.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_

The request must be made by TEN local government electors for the Michaelchurch Escley Parish. However, there is no limit on the number who make the request, and you may wish to add further names in case it is found that one of them is not a registered elector for Michaelchurch Escley Parish.

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**Please return form to :**

Proper Officer Herefordshire Council, Electoral Services, Town Hall, St Owen Street, Hereford, HR1 2PJ