

Notice of Casual Vacancy

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1972 (sec. 87(2))

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a casual vacancy has occurred in the office of Councillor for Heath Hayes Parish Council following the death of ClIr D Baker on the 25th December 2020.

Ten local government electors for the Parish from the New Heath Hayes Ward may request the Returning Officer to hold an election to fill the vacancy. That request must be made within **fourteen days** excluding dies non.

The fourteen-day notice period ends on the 1st March 2021.

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:

The Returning Officer, Cannock Chase District Council, Civic Centre, P.O. Box 28, Beecroft Road, Cannock WS11 1BG.

If a request to hold an election is not received during the permitted time period the Parish Council must, as soon as practicable after the expiry of the fourteen-day period, co-opt a person to fill the vacancy. This notice is dated 10th February 2021.

Mrs L Bowman Clerk to the Council

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In computing any period of time for the purposes 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 <u>disregarded</u>