

NOTICE OF VACANCY IN OFFICE OF COUNCILLOR

RUGELEY TOWN COUNCIL

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a **casual vacancy** is deemed to have occurred in the office of Councillor for the HAGLEY Ward of the Parish of Rugeley following the resignation on 14th October 2020 of Councillor Richard Elkin.

Rule 8(1) of The Local Elections (Parishes and Communities) (Amendment) Rules, 1986, provides that on a casual vacancy occurring in the office of Councillor of a Parish, an election to fill the vacancy would normally be held if, within fourteen days (i.e. by no later than **4th November 2020**, computed as stated below) after public notice of the vacancy 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 Borough within which the Parish is situate by **TEN** electors for the electoral area.

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.

Dated this fifteenth day of October 2020



Clerk to the Council

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 disregarded.