

Clun Town Council with Chapel Lawn

NOTICE UNDER LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1972 (Section 87(2))

VACANCY FOR A COUNCILLOR PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that a casual vacancy has occurred in the office of Councillor for the ***Clun Ward*** of ***Clun Town Council with Chapel Lawn*** following the resignation on ***25th November 2019*** of Councillor ***James McVicar***

Rule 5(2) of The Local Elections (Parishes and Communities) (England and Wales) Rules, 2006 now applies.

The rule allows **TEN ELECTORS** for the parish [ward] in which the casual vacancy has arisen to request the Returning Officer to hold an election to fill the vacancy.* That request must be made within **FOURTEEN DAYS**, calculated in accordance with the rules,** of the date of this notice. The fourteen-day period ends on ***17th July 2019***.

What if a request to hold an election is not received during the permitted time?

Rule 5(5) of the above Rules will apply. The Parish Council must, as soon as practicable after the expiry of the fourteen-day period, co-opt a person to fill the vacancy.

The Returning Officer's address is:

**Electoral Services, Shropshire Council,
The Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, Shropshire SY2 6ND**

The telephone number for further guidance is 0345 678 9015.

This notice is dated *27th June 2019*

Darren Knipe (Town Clerk), Little Graig, Llanfair Waterdine, Shropshire LD7 1TS

* There is no form of words for this request, which might simply be a letter headed with such words as "We the undersigned being electors for the [Ward of] ... Parish, call for an election to fill the vacancy arising from the [death][resignation] of ...". A template entitled "Request for an Election" is available to download from Shropshire Council's website – www.shropshire.gov.uk - under "Current Council Vacancies". It is helpful if the ten signatures are accompanied by printed names and addresses.

** In calculating the notice period, day one is the day following the date 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, and the period closes at midnight on the fourteenth day after the date of this notice. Rule 5(2) of The Local Elections (Parishes and Communities) (England and Wales) Rules, 2006 now applies.

To: The Returning Officer, Shropshire Council – Elections Office,
The Shirehall, Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY2 6ND.

Dear Ms. Porter,

REQUEST FOR A BY-ELECTION

We are ten Local Government electors for the Parish/Town of

CLUN TOWN COUNCIL WITH CHAPEL LAWN (**CLUN TOWN** Ward).

We request that an election be held to fill the casual vacancy in the office of Town/Parish Councillor caused by:-

RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR BUTT

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as published in the Notice of Vacancy dated **27th June 2019**

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Dated

ELECTION IMPRINTS

Please refer to this section **BEFORE** producing your election material, as it is an **electoral offence** if your campaign material does not comply with the statutory regulations. For further guidance, please contact the Electoral Commission direct.

You **must**:

- Use imprints on all your campaign material, including websites.
- Comply with planning rules relating to advertising hoardings and large banners – you should ask the relevant local authority for advice.
- Make sure that outdoor posters are removed promptly after the election – you must do this within two weeks.

You **should**:

- Consider how to make your campaign accessible to people who are visually impaired, have learning difficulties or low literacy skills, or whose first language isn't English or, in Wales, Welsh. You may want to make contact with disability groups in your local area for advice.

You **must not**:

- Produce material that looks like the poll cards sent to voters by the Returning Officer.
- Pay people to display your adverts (unless they display adverts as part of their normal business).

USING IMPRINTS

What is an imprint?

An imprint must, by law, be added to campaign material to show who is responsible for its production. It helps to ensure that the campaign is transparent.

What do you need to include?

On printed material, such as leaflets and posters, you must include the name and address of:

- the printer
- the promoter
- any person on behalf of whom the material is being published (and who is not the promoter)

The promoter is the person who has authorised the material to be printed. If the promoter is acting on behalf of a group or organisation, the group or organisation's name and address must also be included.

You can use either home or office addresses.

If you are putting an advert in a newspaper, your advert does not need to include the printer's details.

Example of an Imprint

A standard imprint for independent candidates should look like this:

Printed by [printer's name and address].

Promoted by [agent's name] of [agent's address], on behalf of [candidate's name] of [candidate's address].

If the candidate is also the promoter of the material, the 'on behalf of' part of the imprint is not required. In all cases, you must make sure that the imprint lists all the promoters and organisations involved.

Where do you put the Imprint?

If your material is single-sided – such as a window poster – you must put the imprint on the face of the document. If it is multi-sided, you must put it on the first or last page.

Websites and other Electronic Material

You should also put an imprint on electronic material, such as websites and emails. The imprint should include the name and address of the promoter and the organisation on whose behalf it has been produced.