

TORRIDGE DISTRICT COUNCIL

NOTICE OF VACANCY IN OFFICE OF COUNCIL

WINKLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that due to the resignation of Councillor Andrew Hipkiss a vacancy has arisen in the office of Parish Councillor for the above Parish.

A by-election to fill the vacancies will be held if within 14 days of the date of this Notice (excluding Saturdays, Sundays, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Day and Bank Holidays) ten electors from the Parish give notice in writing to the Returning Officer requiring that such an election be held.

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 address of the Returning Officer is Torrridge District Council, Riverbank House, Bideford, EX39 2QG.

A request for an election can also be scanned and emailed to elections@torridge.gov.uk ,and must contain a "wet ink" signature.

If no such notice is given, the Parish Council will fill the vacancy through co-option.

Dated 30 July 2020