KETLEY PARISH COUNCIL

COUNCILLOR VACANCY – BEVELEY WARD

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

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a casual vacancy has occurred in the office of Councillor for the Beveley Ward of the Parish of Ketley following the death of Councillor Maggie Evans on Thursday 14 May 2026.

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

The rule allows **TEN ELECTORS** of the 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 at midnight on Monday 06 July 2026.

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 Office, Darby House, Telford and Wrekin Council, Lawn Central, Telford, TF3 4JA.

This notice is dated the sixteenth day of June 2026.

Shelley Anthony
Clerk to Ketley Parish Council

* 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 Ketley Parish, call for an election to fill the vacancy arising from the [death][resignation] of …". 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.