CYNGOR CYMUNED PENARLAG

HAWARDEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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 **ASTON** Ward of the Community of **HAWARDEN** following the resignation of Councillor Sarah Hinks.

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

2 The rule allows **TEN ELECTORS** for the Community of Hawarden – Aston in which the casual vacancy has arisen to request the Returning Officer to hold an election to fill the vacancies. *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 18th November 2026.

3 If no request is made, the Community 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:

Flintshire County Council, Tŷ Dewi Sant, St. Davids Park, Ewloe, Flintshire, CH5 3FF

Dated: 29th October 2026

Sharron Jones
Clerk and Financial Officer

**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] Hawarden Aston call for an election to fill the vacancy arising from the resignation of Councillor Hinksl. "". 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.*