

CASUAL VACANCY PROCEDURE

If you wish to stand as a councillor, you will have to find nine other electors and notify the returning officer, as instructed on the notice* displayed on parish council notice boards, by January 4, 2018. The election then has to be held within 60 working week days of the notice going up. If an election has been called, the council cannot co-opt.

If no one stands, the PC will co-opt a councillor. If two or more co-optees emerge, then they have to present their cases at a council meeting. Councillors will then vote on their merits and select one. There is no appeal.

*The Returning Officer, South Gloucestershire Council, Council Offices, Badminton Road, Bristol BS37 0DE.