

Record of operational decision

Decision title:	Madley Parish Council (Temporary Appointment of Members) Order 2023
Date of decision:	13, December, 2023
Decision maker:	Monitoring Officer
Authority for delegated decision:	Herefordshire Council's constitution elections functions as listed in schedule 1 section D of the regulations gives the Monitoring Officer delegation for making temporary appointments to parish councils
Ward:	Stoney Street
Consultation:	<p>In accordance Consultation was undertaken with the parish clerk to Madley Parish Council and the ward members named in the temporary appointment order. The temporary position of Parish Councillor is offered by the monitoring officer in the following order until a quorum has been achieved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Herefordshire Councillor(s) for the ward within which the Parish is located • Herefordshire Councillor(s) for the wards adjacent to the ward within which the Parish is located <p>All appointments are voluntary and require the appointee's agreement. In the event that this procedure does not yield sufficient appointees the matter will be reported to the next full council meeting. All appointments must be made by Order under Section 91(1) of the Local Government Act 1972.</p>
Decision made:	In pursuance of the power conferred upon it by Section 91(1) of the Local Government Act 1972 the Council hereby appoints Mr. David Hitchiner, C/O Democratic Services, Plough Lane, Hereford HR4 0LE and Mr. Phillip Price of Newcourt Farm, Preston on Wye, Herefordshire HR2 9JU to act as members of Madley parish Council until an election has been held and to fill such vacancy as shall constitute and re-establish a quorum in the parish Council or after six months beginning from the end date on which the Order is signed, whichever is the earlier, whereupon such appointments and this Order shall cease.
Reasons for decision:	Following the resignation of a number of Parish Councillors, there were so many vacancies in the parish of Madley that the parish council is unable to act. By issuing the order to appoint three local ward members it brought the parish of Madley into quorum.
Equality Considerations	The council may by virtue of this order appoint persons to fill all or any of the vacancies until other councillors are elected and take up office.
Highlight any associated risks/finance/legal/equality considerations:	For the vacancy to be declared and elections to be held, this is not recommended as during that period the Parish Council are unable to take any decisions or function
Details of any alternative options considered and rejected:	None
Details of any declarations of interest made:	None

Signed:[REDACTED].....Monitoring officer.

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