

**17. CASUAL VACANCY IN THE TUPSLEY WARD****Report By: Returning Officer****Wards Affected**

Tupsley.

**Purpose**

1. To formally receive notice of the death of Councillor G.V. Hyde and to note the steps to be followed to fill the resulting casual vacancy in Tupsley Ward.

**Financial Implications**

2. The revenue budget includes provision for meeting the costs of elections to fill casual vacancies.

**Notice of Casual Vacancy**

3. Notice of the casual vacancy in Tupsley Ward was given in the edition of the Hereford Times published on 29th September, 2005 and by public notice in the Tupsley Ward of the Parish of Hereford.
4. An election to fill the vacancy is required to be held within 35 days after notice in writing requesting an election is given to the Chief Executive, as Returning Officer, by two local government electors for the area. Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays do not count in the calculation of the 35 days.
5. The requisite notices have now been received and an election to fill the casual vacancy will take place on Thursday, 1st December 2005 in conjunction with an election to fill the casual vacancy in the Tupsley Ward of the Parish of Hereford.

**RECOMMENDATION****THAT the information be noted.****BACKGROUND PAPERS**

None identified.