

## **VACANCY IN OFFICE OF COUNCILLOR**

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MEETING: COUNCIL

DATE: 19 JULY 2017

REPORT BY: CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND RETURNING OFFICER

WARD: HOLMEBROOK

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### FOR PUBLICATION

BACKGROUND PAPERS FOR PUBLIC REPORTS: Nil

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#### **1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 To report on the resignation of a council member.

#### **2.0 COUNCIL VACANCY**

2.1 Stephen Hitchin has decided to step down as a councillor for the Holmebrook Ward to enable him to devote more time to his family and medical career.

2.2 His resignation took effect on 1 July, 2017.

2.3 Notice of the vacancy was published on 4 July, 2017. An election to fill the vacancy will be held within 35 working days after notice in writing has been given to me by two local government electors for the Local Government Area (i.e. Chesterfield Borough wide), requesting that an election be held.

#### **3.0 RECOMMENDATION**

3.1 That the best thanks of the Council be conveyed to former Councillor Stephen Hitchin for his services to the Borough.

HUW BOWEN  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND RETURNING OFFICER

Further information on this matter can be obtained from Brian Offiler, Democratic and Scrutiny Officer (Extension 5229).