

21 September 2015**Agenda Item: 11****REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR, EDUCATION STANDARDS AND
INCLUSION****AUTHORITY GOVERNOR REAPPOINTMENTS AND LOCAL AUTHORITY
GOVERNOR APPOINTMENTS TO SCHOOL GOVERNING BODIES****Purpose of the Report**

1. To note re-appointments of Authority governors who reach the end of their term of office during the period 1 April to 30 June 2015 and have indicated their willingness to serve a further four year term of office.
2. To note the nomination and appointment of Local Authority governors to reconstituted governing bodies.

Information and Advice

3. The Corporate Director for Children, Families and Cultural Services has delegated authority to approve school governor appointments for which the Council has responsibility. This includes Authority governors in schools which have not yet reconstituted and academies. He is required to report the decisions quarterly to the Children and Young People's Committee.
4. Under the School Governance (Constitution) (England) Regulations 2012, as amended by the School Governance (Constitution and Federations) (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2014 governing bodies of maintained schools must reconstitute to a skills-based model of governance by September 2015 and are allowed one Local Authority governor on the reconstituted governing body. For this model of governance, governing bodies may set eligibility criteria for, and appoint, the Local Authority governor. Nominations are made by the County Council, in accordance with the eligibility criteria provided by the governing body, and are then considered by the governing body for appointment. This report includes appointments made by governing bodies during this period.

Authority governor reappointments to school governing bodies

5. A number of Authority governors who were approaching the end of their term of office were identified and each governor was asked whether he or she would be willing to serve as an Authority governor for a further term of four years. Those governors re-appointed had indicated their willingness to be re-nominated.

6. The re-appointments of Authority governors, which are made subject to the successful completion of appropriate checks, are as listed below:

Reappointments

GEDLING	
Colonel Frank Seely	Mrs Patricia Ann Adams
Prior Junior	Mr Christopher John Allison
Priory Junior	Mrs Anne Wright
MANSFIELD	
The Samworth Church Academy	Councillor Stephen Neil Garner

Local Authority governor nominations and appointments to reconstituted governing bodies

7. Local Authority governors nominated by the County Council and appointed by school governing bodies during the period 1 June to 30 June 2015 are as follows:

BASSETLAW	
Walkeringham Primary School	Mrs Denise Whiteman
BROXTOWE	
Trent Vale Infant and Nursery	Cllr Eric Kerry
GEDLING	
Newstead Primary	Mrs Patricia Ann Wise
NEWARK	
Bleasby CofE VC Primary	Mr Peter Duncan Cast
Halam CofE Primary School	Mr Andrew Ronald Paris

Other Options Considered

8. Nottinghamshire County Council's strategy for recruiting and retaining school governors includes the re-appointment of existing governors. The County Council sees many advantages in retaining experienced governors and actively seeks to encourage governors approaching their end of term of office to stand again either in the same school or in a different school. The appointments made ensure the retention and supply of experienced governors.

Statutory and Policy Implications

9. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of crime and disorder, finance, human resources, human rights, the NHS Constitution (Public Health only), the public sector equality duty, safeguarding of children and vulnerable adults, service users, sustainability and the environment and ways of working and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

Public Sector Equality Duty Implications

10. All existing Authority governors approaching the end of their term of office have had the opportunity to put themselves forward for re-nomination.

RECOMMENDATION/S

That:

- 1) re-appointments of Authority governors, who reach the end of their term of office during the period 1 April to 30 June 2015, for schools who have not yet reconstituted, as listed in paragraph 6, are noted.
- 2) the nomination and appointment of Local Authority governors to reconstituted governing bodies, as listed in paragraph 7, are noted.

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Constitutional Comments

11. As the report is for noting only, no Constitutional Comments are required.

Financial Comments (SH 09/09/15)

12. There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

Background Papers and Published Documents

None.

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

Calverton
Carlton East
Mansfield South
Misterton
Beeston South and Attenborough
Newstead
Farnsfield and Lowdham

Cllr Boyd Elliott
Cllr Nikki Brooks and Cllr John Clarke
Cllr Stephen Garner and Cllr Andy Sissons
Cllr Liz Yates
Cllr Kate Foale
Cllr Chris Barnfather
Cllr Roger Jackson

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