

8 July 2013

Agenda Item: 13

REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR FOR EDUCATION STANDARDS AND INCLUSION

AUTHORITY GOVERNOR APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS AND LOCAL AUTHORITY GOVERNOR APPOINTMENTS TO SCHOOL GOVERNING BODIES

Purpose of the Report

- 1. To note new appointments to Authority governor vacancies and re-appointments of Authority governors who reach the end of their term of office during the period 1 May to 30 June 2013 and have indicated their willingness to serve a further four year term of office.
- 2. To note the appointment of two Additional Authority governors to the Beech Hill School governing body.
- 3. To note the appointment of Local Authority governors to each Learning Centre (Pupil Referral Unit).
- 4. To note the nomination and appointment of Local Authority governors to reconstituted governing bodies.

Information and Advice

- 5. The Corporate Director for Children, Families and Cultural Services has delegated authority to approve school governor appointments for which the Council has responsibility, including Authority governors, and is required to report the decisions quarterly to the Children and Young People's Committee.
- 6. Under the School Governance (Constitution) (England) Regulations 2012, governing bodies may choose to reconstitute to a more skills-based model of governance 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 Local Authority, in accordance with the eligibility criteria, and are then considered by the governing body for appointment.
- 7. As part of the action plan to support Beech Hill School, the County Council has appointed two additional Authority governors to support the school and strengthen the governing body.

- 8. In accordance with the Education (Pupil Referral Units) (Management Committees etc) (England) Regulations 2007, as amended by the Pupil Referral Unit (Miscellaneous Amendments) (England) Regulations 2013, the County Council is required to establish a management committee to run Pupil Referral Units in their area.
- 9. One Local Authority governor was appointed to each Learning Centre (Pupil Referral Unit) during April 2013.

Authority governor appointments and reappointments to school governing bodies

- 10. In line with the procedures set out in the Local Authority's governor recruitment strategy, officers sought new nominations to outstanding vacancies from political parties and from school governing bodies.
- 11. 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.
- 12. The new appointments and re-appointments of Authority governors, which are made subject to the successful completion of appropriate checks, are as listed below:

Ashfield	
Westwood Infant & Nursery	Mr Luke Kenyon Scott
Broxtowe	
Albany Infant & Nursery	Mrs Maxine Jill Govier
Lynncroft Primary	Mr Ian Michael Cutler
Trent Vale Infant & Nursery	Mr Michael David Jackson
Mansfield	
Peafield Lane Primary & Nursery	Mr Jeffrey Newall
St Patrick's Catholic Primary & Nursery,	Mrs Clare Helen Harris
Mansfield	
Newark	
Balderton Chuter Ede Primary	Mr Raymond Arthur Rouse
Crompton View Primary	Mr Kevin Dukes
Sutton-on-Trent Primary	Miss Helena Brothwell
Southwell Minster C of E VA	Mr Anthony Philip Colton
Comprehensive	
Rushcliffe	
Heymann Primary	Mr Adrian Kevin Nash

New appointments

Reappointments

Ashfield		
Dalestorth Primary & Nursery	Mr John Foster	
Healdwood Infant & Nursery	Mrs Jennifer Mary Marriott	
Jacksdale Primary	Mrs Mary Dodds	
Mapplewells Primary & Nursery	Mrs Jayne Margaret Harwood	
Bassetlaw		
Bracken Lane Primary	Councillor Mrs Margaret Wendy Quigley	
Cuckney C of E (Controlled) Primary	Mr David Milton Alvey	
Langold Dyscarr Community	Councillor Mrs Sheila Janice Place	
Gedling		
Pinewood Infant School & Foundation Unit	Mr Nicholas John Hill	
Mansfield		
Holly Primary	Mrs Christine Helen Flinton	
Sutton Road Primary	Mrs Elizabeth Louise Gundel	
St Philip Neri with St Bede Primary &	Mr Richard Kevin Gray	
Nursery		
Rushcliffe		
Bunny C of E Primary	Mrs Jenny Norbury	
Radcliffe on Trent Junior	Councillor Mrs Kathrine Lilian Cutts	

Additional Authority governor appointments to Beech Hill School

Mansfield	
Beech Hill School	Mr David Peter Martin
Beech Hill School	Mr Brian Maydew

Local Authority governor appointments to each Learning Centre (Pupil Referral Unit)

Bassetlaw	
Bassetlaw Management Committee	Councillor Sybil Jacqueline Fielding
Gedling	
Daybrook Management Committee	Councillor Allen Clarke
Mansfield	
Oakdale Management Committee	Councillor Joyce Bosnjak

Local Authority governor nominations and appointments to reconstituted governing bodies

13. Local Authority governors nominated by the Local Authority and appointed by school governing bodies during the period 1 March to 30 April 2013 are as follows.

Bassetlaw	
St Augustine's School	Councillor Glynn Gilfoyle
Walkeringham Primary School	Mrs Susan Lucy Roys

Other Options Considered

- 14. There are no other options. The County Council has a statutory duty to ensure governor vacancies are filled without undue delay.
- 15. 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 one. The appointments made ensure the retention and supply of experienced governors.

Statutory and Policy Implications

16. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, equal opportunities, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

Equalities Implications

- 17. New nominations have been encouraged and received from a broad range of sources. We welcome applications from all types of people, especially those from ethnic minority communities and under-represented groups such as disabled people.
- 18. 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) new appointments to Authority governor vacancies and re-appointments of Authority governors who reach the end of their term of office during the period 1 May to 30 June 2013, as listed in paragraph 12, are noted.
- 2) the appointment of two Additional Authority governors to the Beech Hill School governing body, as listed in paragraph 12, are noted.
- 3) the appointment of Local Authority governors to each Learning Centre (Pupil Referral Unit), as listed in paragraph 12, are noted.

4) the nomination and appointment of Local Authority governors to reconstituted governing bodies, as listed in paragraph 13, are noted.

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Constitutional Comments

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

Financial Comments (KLA 25/06/13)

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

Background Papers

Completed Authority governor nomination forms.

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

Selston Sutton in Ashfield West Sutton in Ashfield North Blyth & Harworth Retford East Tuxford Beeston South & Attenborough Bramcote and Stapleford Eastwood Arnold North Mansfield East Mansfield West Mansfield South Mansfield North Balderton Rufford Southwell & Caunton	Coun Gail Turner Coun Tom Hollis Coun Jason Zadrozny Coun Mrs Sheila Place Coun Pamela Skelding Coun John Hempsall Coun Kate Foale Coun Stan Heptinstall MBE & Coun Stan Heptinstall MBE & Coun Jacky Williams Coun Keith Longdon Coun Pauline Allan & Coun Michael Payne Coun Allan Bell & Coun Colleen Harwood Coun Darren Langton & Coun Diana Meale Coun Stephen Garner & Coun Andy Sissons Coun Joyce Bosnjak & Coun Parry Tsimbiridis Coun Keith Walker Coun John Peck Coun Bruce Laughton
Radcliffe-on-Trent	Coun Kay Cutts

Ruddington West Bridgford West

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