

9 March 2015**Agenda Item: 14****REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR, 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 November 2014 to 28 February 2015 and have indicated their willingness to serve a further four year term of office.
2. To note the appointment of an Additional Authority governor to The Muskham Primary School governing body.
3. To note the nomination and appointment of Local Authority governors to reconstituted governing bodies.

Information and Advice

4. 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.
5. 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 County Council, in accordance with the eligibility criteria, and are then considered by the governing body for appointment.
6. As part of the action plan to support The Muskham Primary School, the County Council has appointed an Additional Authority governor to support the school and strengthen the governing body

Authority governor appointments and reappointments to school governing bodies

7. 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.
8. 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.
9. The new appointments and re-appointments of Authority governors, which are made subject to the successful completion of appropriate checks, are as listed below:

New appointments

ASHFIELD	
Huthwaite All Saints CofE (VC) Infant	Ms Louise Regan
Selston High	Miss Marsha Louise Mann
BASSETLAW	
St Joseph's Catholic Primary	Mrs Julie Ann Lyon
BROXTOWE	
Stapleford St John's CofE VC Primary	Miss Sally Smith
GEDLING	
Mapperley Plains Primary & Nursery	Mr Richard Fisher

Reappointments

ASHFIELD	
Kirkby Woodhouse Primary	Mr Shaun William Pollard
BASSETLAW	
Gringley-on-the-Hill St Peter's CofE Voluntary Aided Primary	Mrs Tracey Lee Taylor
Mattersey Primary	Mr Terence Ernest Yates
Prospect Hill Infant & Nursery	Mr Christopher Wanless
Sturton le Steeple (Church of England) Voluntary Aided Primary	Mr David William Moore
Thrumpton Primary	Mr Alastair Murray
BROXTOWE	
Albany Infant & Nursery	Mrs Naomi May Milner
John Clifford School	Dr Richard Andrew Stratton
GEDLING	
Derrymount	Mr Geoffrey Alan Walker

MANSFIELD	
Heathlands Primary	Mrs Sally Ann Borrill
RUSHCLIFFE	
Cotgrave CofE Primary	Colonel Thomas John Ludlam
Lantern Lane Primary School, East Leake	Mrs Wendy Ann Fearnside
Toot Hill School	Councillor Martin William Suthers

Additional Authority governor appointments

NEWARK	
The Muskham Primary School	Mrs Anne Allsop

Local Authority governor nominations and appointments to reconstituted governing bodies

10. Local Authority governors nominated by the County Council and appointed by school governing bodies during the period 1 November 2014 to 31 January 2015 are as follows:

BROXTOWE	
Awsorth Primary	Councillor Eric Bradley
College House Junior	Mr Andrew James Barker
GEDLING	
Carlton Digby Special	Mr Peter Artis
Haddon Primary and Nursery	Mrs Lesley Winfield
Sir John Sherbrooke Junior	Mr Peter Short
NEWARK	
Newark Lovers Lane Primary	Mrs Nicola Pringle
Winthorpe County Primary	Mrs Michele Ann Cammack
RUSHCLIFFE	
Jesse Gray Primary	Mr James Clifford Silver

Other Options Considered

11. There are no other options. The County Council has a statutory duty to ensure governor vacancies are filled without undue delay.
12. 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

13. 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

14. 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.
15. 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 November 2014 to 28 February 2015, as listed in paragraph 9, are noted.
- 2) the appointment of an Additional Authority governor to The Muskham Primary School governing body, as listed in paragraph 9, is noted.
- 3) the nomination and appointment of Local Authority governors to reconstituted governing bodies, as listed in paragraph 10, are noted.

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Constitutional Comments

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

Financial Comments (SS 24/02/15)

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

Background Papers and Published Documents

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.

Completed Authority governor nomination forms

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

Kirkby-in-Ashfield South	Cllr Rachel Madden
Selston	Cllr Gail Turner
Sutton-in-Ashfield West	Cllr Tom Hollis
Misterton	Cllr Liz Yates
Retford West	Cllr Ian Campbell
Tuxford	Cllr John Ogle
Worksop North East & Carlton	Cllr Alan Rhodes
Beeston South & Attenborough	Cllr Kate Foale
Bramcote & Stapleford	Cllr Stan Heptinstall MBE & Cllr Jacky Williams
Arnold South	Cllr Roy Allan & Cllr Muriel Weisz
Arnold North	Cllr Pauline Allan and Cllr Michael Payne
Mansfield East	Cllr Alan Bell & Cllr Colleen Harwood
Farndon & Muskham	Cllr Susan Saddington
Bingham	Cllr Martin Suthers
Cotgrave	Cllr Richard Butler
Soar Valley	Cllr Andrew Brown
Kimberley and Trowell	Cllr Ken Rigby
Chilwell and Toton	Cllr Richard Jackson and Cllr Dr John Doddy
Carlton West	Cllr Darrell Pulk and Cllr Jim Creamer
Calverton	Cllr Boyd Elliott
Newark West	Cllr Tony Roberts
Collingham	Cllr Maureen Dobson
West Bridgford West	Cllr Gordon Wheeler

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