

18 June 2012

Agenda Item: 13

REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR FOR EDUCATION STANDARDS AND INCLUSION

AUTHORITY GOVERNOR APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS 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 to 30 June 2012 and have indicated their willingness to serve a further four year term of office.

Information and Advice

- 2. 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.
- 3. 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.
- 4. The Corporate Director for Children, Families and Cultural Services has delegated authority to approve school governor appointments for which the Council has responsibility and is required to report the decisions quarterly to the Children and Young People's Committee.
- 5. 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

Bassetlaw		
Misson Primary	Mr Duncan Robertshaw	
Gedling		
Arnold Seely Church of England Primary	Councillor Thulani Molife	
Ernehale Infant	Mr Simon Ray	
Mansfield		

Farmilo Primary and Nursery	Mr Barry Michael Answer
Farmilo Primary and Nursery	Councillor Mrs Sylvia June Stendall
John T Rice Infant and Nursery	Mrs Diane Wardle Wright

Reappointments

Bassetlaw		
Ranskill Primary	Mr David Michael Spencer	
Broxtowe		
Albany Infant and Nursery	Mrs Barbara Winifred Walters	
William Lilley Infant and Nursery	Mrs Helen Goodwin	
Rushcliffe		
Carnarvon Primary	Mr Allen Ashmore	
Costock CofE Primary	Mrs Joanne Taylor	

Other Options Considered

- 6. There are no other options. The County Council has a statutory duty to ensure governor vacancies are filled without undue delay.
- 7. 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

8. 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

- 9. 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.
- 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

1) That 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 to 30 June 2012, as listed in paragraph 5, are noted.

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

Financial Comments (NDR 21/05/12)

12. 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

Misterton	Councillor Liz Yates
Bramcote & Stapleford	Councillor Stan Heptinstall MBE
	Councillor Brian Wombwell
Newstead	Councillor Christopher Barnfather
Arnold South	Councillor Rodney Kempster
	Councillor Melvyn Shepherd
West Mansfield	Councillor Victor Bobo
	Councillor Mrs June Stendall
East Mansfield	Councillor Bob Cross
	Councillor Martin Wright
Bingham	Councillor Martin Suthers
Ruddington	Councillor Reg Adair
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