



General Functions Committee 14 July 2014

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Title	Vacancies on School Governing Bodies
Report of	Head of Governance
Wards	All
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Enclosures	Appendix A - List of Ordinary Vacancies on School Governing Bodies
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Summary

The Committee is asked to consider making appointments to various School Governing Bodies.

Recommendations

1. That the Committee make appointments to fill the vacancies shown in appendix A.

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

1.1 Any vacancies that arise must be appointed to ensure that a schools governing body is able to perform its duty in an efficient and effective manner.

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 All state maintained primary, secondary and special schools, are accountable to their governing bodies, which in turn are accountable to parents and the community. Parent and staff representatives are elected to the governing body; the local authority appoints governors to the governing body and the relevant faith bodies appoint foundation governors in faith schools.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED.

3.1 Not applicable

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

4.1 The Governing Body Clerking service are notified of the appointments.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

- 5.1.1 To ensure that the Council has robust governance arrangements, that enable the Council to deliver its objectives set out in the Corporate Plan, the Council's decision making structures should be kept under review to ensure that they provide effective opportunities for resident participation and engagement.
- 5.2 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)
- 5.2.1 None in the context of this report

5.3 Legal and Constitutional References

- 5.3.1 The council's constitution, Responsibility for Functions, General Functions Committee discharging various functions including the appointing of representatives to School Governing Bodies
- 5.3.2 There no legal references in the context of this report.

5.4 Risk Management

- 5.4.1 None in the context of this report
- 5.5 Equalities and Diversity
- 5.5.1 All sectors of the community are eligible for nomination to the vacancies. It is

expected that all political parties promote equalities and diversity when making nominations to vacancies.

- 5.6 **Consultation and Engagement**
- 5.6.1 Not applicable
- 6. BACKGROUND PAPERS
- 6.1 None