

**COUNCIL:**

**23 February 2017**

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**REPORT OF DIRECTOR GOVERNANCE & LEGAL SERVICES**

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**APPOINTMENT OF LOCAL AUTHORITY GOVERNORS TO SCHOOL  
GOVERNING BODIES**

**Reason for this Report**

1. To appoint Local Authority School Governors.

**Background**

2. Section 19 of the Education Act 2002 creates the general ability for the Local Authority to appoint governors to the Governing Bodies of maintained schools, with further detail contained in the Government of Maintained Schools (Wales) Regulations 2005. When Local Authority school governor vacancies arise, either by appointees reaching the end of their term of office or resigning, it is the statutory duty of the Council to fill the vacancies as soon as possible.
3. The Local Authority Governors Panel to oversee this process was constituted at the Annual Council in May 2015 and held its first termly meeting in September 2015.

**Issues**

4. The Local Authority Governors Panel met on 15 February 2017 to consider new applications to current vacancies up to 31 March 2017. The recommendations of the Panel are contained in Appendix 1 to this report.

**Reasons for Recommendations**

5. To ensure that the Council fulfils its statutory functions in respect of the appointment of local authority governors for maintained schools.

**Legal Implications**

6. As noted in paragraph 2 of the report, the Council is required, pursuant to the Education Act 2002, section 19 and regulations made there under, to appoint local authority governors to the Governing Bodies of maintained schools, in accordance with those statutory provisions.

7. Appointments to outside bodies are a local choice function, which is reserved under the Council's Constitution to full Council. Accordingly, the appointment of local authority governors to Governing Bodies, as recommended in this report, requires the approval of full Council.

### **Financial Implications**

8. There are no financial implications arising from this report.

### **Recommendation**

That Council consider the recommendations of the Local Authority Governor Panel of 15 February 2017 and approve the appointments of Local Authority Governors to the School Governing Bodies as set out in Appendix 1.

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**Director Governance & Legal Services**  
16 February 2017

*The following Appendix is attached:*

Appendix 1            List of Local Authority School Governor vacancies and recommendations for appointment by the Local Authority Governor Panel for the period 25 November 2016 to 31 March 2017

*The following Background Documents have been taken into account: N/A*

**LA Governor Vacancies - Recommendations from LA Governor Panel  
15 February 2017**

**Appendix 1**

- i. All appointments in the list are recommended by the LA Governor Appointments Panel and will have satisfied the required application process.
- ii. All terms of office unless otherwise stated are for 4 years.

**Existing LA Governor Vacancies**

| School                                       | Ward        | Start of Vacancy         | Re-appointment requested | Applications received | LA Governor Panel Recommendation Yes/No |
|--|-------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|---|
| Baden Powell Primary School<br>2 x vacancies | Splott      | 17/09/2016<br>17/09/2016 |                          |                       |   |
| Danescourt Primary School<br>2 x vacancies   | Danescourt  | 01/09/2016<br>01/09/2016 |                          |                       |   |
| Ely and Caerau Children's Centre             | Ely         | 14/07/2016               |                          |                       |   |
| Grangetown Nursery School                    | Grangetown  | 02/09/2016               |                          |                       |   |
| Grangetown Primary School                    | Grangetown  | 16/09/2016               |                          |                       |   |
| Herbert Thompson Primary School              | Ely         | 20/01/2017               |                          |                       |   |
| Hywel Dda Primary School                     | Ely         | 03/11/2016               |                          |                       |   |
| Marlborough Primary School                   | Cyncoed     | 11/01/2017               |                          |                       |   |
| Oakfield Primary School                      | Trowbridge  | 04/03/2015               |                          |                       |   |
| Pencaerau Primary School                     | Caerau      | 01/09/2010               |                          |                       |   |
| Pentrebane Primary School                    | Fairwater   | 27/06/2016               |                          |                       |   |
| Peter Lea Primary School                     | Fairwater   | 27/06/2016               |                          |                       |   |
| Pontprennau Primary School                   | Pontprennau | 29/11/2016               |                          |                       |   |
| Rhiwbeina Primary School                     | Rhiwbina    | 18/10/2016               |                          |                       |   |

| <b>School</b>                                 | <b>Ward</b>    | <b>Start of Vacancy</b>  | <b>Re-appointment requested</b> | <b>Applications received</b>         | <b>LA Governor Panel Recommendation Yes/No</b> |
|---|----------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| Riverbank Special School<br>2 x vacancies     | Caerau         | 13/06/2016<br>29/06/2016 |                                 | Mr David French<br>Mrs Pam Bannister | <b>Yes</b><br><b>Yes</b>                       |
| St John Lloyd RC Primary School               | Trowbridge     | 30/01/2013               |                                 |                                      |  |
| St Patrick's RC Primary School                | Grangetown     | 16/09/2016               |                                 |                                      |  |
| The Hollies School (Pentwyn)                  | Pentwyn        | 26/09/2016               |                                 |                                      |  |
| Trelai Primary School                         | Caerau         | 13/09/2016               |                                 |                                      |  |
| Willows High School                           | Splott         | 15/09/2016               |                                 |                                      |  |
| Windsor Clive Primary School                  | Ely            | 23/03/2016               |                                 |                                      |  |
| Woodlands High School                         | Caerau         | 29/09/2016               |                                 |                                      |  |
| Ysgol Gymraeg Bro Eirwg                       | Llanrumney     | 01/02/2017               |                                 |                                      |  |
| Ysgol Glan Ceubal                             | Llandaff North | 01/10/2016               |                                 |                                      |  |
| Ysgol Gymraeg Coed-Y-Gof                      | Fairwater      | 22/10/2015               |                                 |                                      |  |
| Ysgol Gymraeg Melin Gruffydd<br>X 2 vacancies | Whitchurch     | 04/10/2015<br>21/11/2015 |                                 | Miss Maegan Davies-John              | <b>Yes</b>                                     |
| Ysgol Gymraeg Nant Caerau                     | Caerau         | 28/06/2016               |                                 |                                      |  |
| Ysgol Pen y Groes                             | Pentwyn        | 28/09/2016               |                                 |                                      |  |
| Ysgol Pencae                                  | Llandaff       | 01/09/2016               |                                 |                                      |  |
| Ysgol Gymraeg Treganna                        | Canton         | 01/02/2017               |                                 |                                      |  |