

LOCAL AUTHORITY GOVERNOR PANEL

7 JUNE 2018

Present: Councillor Merry (Chairperson).
Councillors Dilwar Ali, Congreve, Driscoll, Lent, Lister and
Graham Thomas

1 : APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON

The Council at its Annual Meeting on 24 May 2018 approved the appointment of Councillor Sarah Merry as Chair of the Local Authority Governor Panel.

2 : MEMBERSHIP & TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Council at its Annual Meeting on 24 May 2018 approved the following:

Membership:

Councillors Dilwar Ali, Wendy Congreve, Sean Driscoll, Sue Lent, Ashley Lister, Sarah Merry and Graham Thomas

Terms of Reference:

- (a) To advise the Council on appointments and removal of Governors to those places allocated to the Local Authority;
- (b) To consider and make decisions relating to the recruitment, training and vetting of potential Governors and any other matters that may be referred to the Panel by Cabinet or the Constitution Committee; and
- (c) All Members of the Committee will be required to undertake relevant training to enable them to properly discharge their duties.

3 : APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for this meeting.

4 : DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following declaration of interest was received in accordance with the Members Code of Conduct:

| Councillor | Item | Interest |
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| Councillor Driscoll | Item 8a – Nominations to existing Local Authority Governor vacancies | Personal and Prejudicial interest as an applicant for Local Authority Governor at Danescourt Primary School. |

| Councillor | Item | Interest |
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| Alan Evans | Item 8b – Nominations to future Local Authority Governor vacancies – Eastern High School | Personal interest as one of the applicants is Chair of Governors. |

5 : MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 12 March 2018 were approved by the Chairperson and signed as a correct record.

6 : LOCAL AUTHORITY SCHOOL GOVERNOR VACANCIES

The list of vacancies for Local Authority School Governor Vacancies was received and noted.

7 : EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

RESOLVED - That the public be excluded for the following item of business as it contained information not for publication by virtue of Paragraph 12 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

8 : NOMINATIONS TO LOCAL AUTHORITY GOVERNORS VACANCIES

(Councillor Driscoll declared a personal and prejudicial interest in accordance the Members' Code of Conduct in this item and left the meeting during consideration of his application. Alan Evans declared a personal interest but remained at the meeting)

The Committee received and considered applications to current and future vacancies and considered all applications against criteria, matching skills to vacancies.

The Committee wished to put on record the improvement in the completeness of applications by Elected Members and thanked the officers for their work in raising awareness of the Panel's previous observations.

RESOLVED – That the Council be recommended to

1. approve the recommendations of the Panel to appoint the following persons to current Local Authority Governing Body vacancies as follows:

| School | Ward | Start of vacancy | Appointment |
|----------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Adamsdown Primary School | Adamsdown | 18/04/2018 | Cllr Owen Jones |
| Cantonian High School | Fairwater | 06/03/2018 | Jean Fudge |
| Christ the King RC Primary | Llanishen | 01/04/2018 | Vicki Woods |

| School | Ward | Start of vacancy | Appointment |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Danescourt Primary School | Llandaff | 26/07/2017 | Cllr Sean Driscoll |
| Lansdowne Primary School | Canton | 19/09/2017 | Michelle Townsend |
| Rumney Primary School | Rumney | 03/02/2018 | Stella Dunstone |
| St Patrick's RC Primary School | Grangetown | 16/09/2016 | Nasir Adam |
| Trelai Primary School | Caerau | 09/09/2017 | Geoff Morgan |
| Ysgol Gymraeg Melin Gruffydd | Whitchurch & Tongwynlais | 04/10/2016 | Eleri Allsobrook |

2. approve the recommendations of the Panel to appoint the following persons to future Local Authority Governing Body vacancies as follows:

| School | Ward | Start of vacancy | Appointment |
|--|---------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Baden Powell Primary School | Splott | 24/10/2018 | Gill Dallow |
| Cantonian High School | Fairwater | 26/09/2018 | Alvyn Morgan |
| Corpus Christi R.C High School | Lisvane | 17/09/2018 | Kath Brown |
| Eastern High | Rumney | 24/10/2018 24/10/2018 | Barbara Cooke Chris Taylor |
| Llanedeyrn Primary School | Pentwyn | 23/07/2018 | Nicola Whitefield |
| Moorland Primary School | Splott | 18/06/2018 | Rachel Barnett |
| Pencaerau Primary School | Caerau | 24/09/2018 24/09/2018 | Pamela James John Skelton |
| Peter Lea Primary School | Fairwater | 27/06/2018 24/10/2018 | Patricia Thomas Matthew Cook |
| Radyr Comprehensive School | Radyr & Morganstown | 26/09/2018 | John Wilson |
| Roath Park Primary School | Plasnewydd | 24/07/2018 | Cllr Peter Wong |
| Severn Primary School | Riverside | 27/06/2018 26/09/2018 | Christine Newman Gareth Jones |
| St Paul's C.W Primary School | Grangetown | 03/07/2018 | Gordon Bell |
| The Bishop Of Llandaff C.W High School | Llandaff | 26/09/2018 | Sarah Cullen |

| School | Ward | Start of vacancy | Appointment |
|------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Ysgol Gyfun Gymraeg Plasmawr | Fairwater | 17/09/2018 17/09/2018 | Ruth Parry Evan Morgan |

9 : FUTURE MEETING DATES

RESOLVED – That the date of the next meeting was agreed as Monday 10 September 2018 at 5.00pm in Committee Room 2. The dates of future meetings would be confirmed with the Committee following the 21 June Council meeting.

10 : ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Alan Evans, Chair of Cardiff Governors Association advised that this was his last meeting. He thanked the Cabinet Member, Panel Members and lead officers for putting in place a more robust process for appointing Local Authority Governors and the success the new process has brought to matching candidates and their skills and expertise to the requirements of Governing Bodies and schools.

The Chair Councillor Sarah Merry thanks Alan for his positive support of the Panel, and significant knowledge and expertise that he has provided to the Council and Governor Services over many years. On behalf of the Committee and the Council she wished him all the very best for his retirement.

The meeting terminated at 6.15 pm