

COUNCIL:

27 October 2022

**REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF GOVERNANCE AND LEGAL SERVICES
AND MONITORING OFFICER**

**APPOINTMENT OF PARENT GOVERNOR REPRESENTATIVES TO
CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

Reason for this Report

1. The Council is requested to appoint parent governor representatives to the Children and Young People's Scrutiny Committee to fill two vacancies.

Background

2. The Council is required to appoint two parent governor representatives to the Children and Young People's Scrutiny Committee (under the Scrutiny Procedure Rules, Rule 3 and The Parent Governor Representatives and Church Representatives (Wales) Regulations 2001). The term of office of one parent governor representative, Matthew Richards expired towards the end of 2021; and shortly afterwards, the second parent governor, Karen Dell'Armi, indicated her intention to resign, resulting in a second vacancy.

Issues

3. In accordance with the requirements of the Parent Governor Representatives and Church Representatives (Wales) Regulations 2001, the vacancies were publicised and three nominations were received. An election was held using an electronic ballot during the period from 26 September 2022 to 10 October 2022; and the votes were counted on 11 October 2022. The results of the election are due to be publicly announced on 24 October 2022.
4. The Council is recommended to appoint the two individuals who secured the most votes in the ballot as parent governor representatives on the Children and Young People's Scrutiny Committee, each for a two year term, commencing on 27 October 2022.

Legal Implications

5. As noted above, under the Parent Governor Representatives and Church Representatives (Wales) Regulations 2001 (Regulation 4) and the Scrutiny Procedure Rules (Rule 3), the Council is required to appoint two parent governor representatives to the Children and Young People's Scrutiny Committee, following an election process conducted in accordance with the Regulations. The Regulations make various provisions in relation to eligibility criteria and the election procedures. The term of office of a parent governor representative must be between two and four years; and a parent governor representative is disqualified from continuing in office if they resign or become disqualified from holding office as a parent governor, but not upon expiry of their term of office as a parent governor.
6. All decisions taken by or on behalf the Council must (a) be within the legal powers of the Council; (b) comply with any procedural requirement imposed by law; (c) be within the powers of the body or person exercising powers of behalf of the Council; (d) be undertaken in accordance with the procedural requirements imposed by the Council e.g. Council Procedure Rules; (e) be fully and properly informed; (f) be properly motivated; (g) be taken having regard to the Council's fiduciary duty to its taxpayers; and (h) be reasonable and proper in all the circumstances.

Financial Implications

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

RECOMMENDATIONS

8. The Council is recommended to approve the appointments of Bridgid Corr and Celeste Lewis as parent governor representatives on the Children and Young People's Scrutiny Committee, each for a two year term commencing on 27 October 2022.

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