

LOCAL AUTHORITY GOVERNOR PANEL

19 JUNE 2023

Present: Councillor Merry(Chairperson)
Councillors Dilwar Ali, Driscoll, Hopkins, Lent, Lister and Robson

1 : APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR & COMMITTEE

The Committee RESOLVED to note that Council at its Annual meeting on 25 May 2023:

Appointed Councillor Sarah Merry as Chair of the Local Authority Governor Panel;
and
Appointed Councillors Dilwar Ali, Sean Driscoll, Robert Hopkins, Sue Lent, Ash Lister and Adrian Robson to the Panel.

2 : TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Committee RESOLVED to note that Council at its Annual meeting on 25 May approved the following unamended Terms of Reference:

a) To advise the Council on appointments (and removal) of governors to be made by 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 the 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

Apologies for absence were received from Barbara Connell, Cardiff Governors Representative.

4 : DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The following declarations of interest were received in accordance with the Members' Code of Conduct:

| Councillor | Item Number and School | Nature of Interest |
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| Councillors Merry, Ali, Driscoll, Hopkins, Lent, Lister & Robson | 6a – Thornhill Primary School | Personal – fellow Councillor |
| Councillor Lister | 6b – Allensbank Primary School | Personal – applicant is personal friend |
| Councillors Ali, Driscoll, Hopkins, | 6b – Cathays High School and Gladstone Primary | Personal – fellow Councillor |

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| Lent & Robson | School | |
| Councillor Merry | 6b – Cathays High School and Gladstone Primary School | Prejudicial – Referee and fellow Cabinet Member |
| Councillor Lister | 6b – Cathays High School and Gladstone Primary School | Prejudicial – fellow Cabinet Member |
| Councillors Merry, Ali, Driscoll, Hopkins, Lister & Robson | 6b - Howardian Primary School | Personal – fellow Councillor |
| Councillor Lent | 6b – Howardian Primary School | Prejudicial – Applicant |
| Councillors Merry, Ali, Driscoll, Lent, Lister & Robson | 6b – Lakeside Primary School | Personal – fellow Councillor |
| Councillor Hopkins | 6b – Howardian Primary School | Prejudicial - Applicant |
| Councillors Merry, Ali, Driscoll, Hopkins, Lent, Lister & Robson | 6b – Llanedeyrn Primary School | Personal – fellow Councillor |
| Councillors Merry, Lister and Hopkins | 6b – Gillian James | Personal – applicant is known in work capacity |

5 : LOCAL AUTHORITY SCHOOL GOVERNOR VACANCIES

The Committee RESOLVED to note the list of Local Authority School Governor Vacancies received.

6 : EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC

The Committee RESOLVED that the public be excluded for the following items of business as they contain exempt information by virtue of Paragraph 12 and 21 of Parts 4 and 5 of the Local Government Act 1972.

7 : NOMINATIONS TO LOCAL AUTHORITY GOVERNOR VACANCIES

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

RESOLVED – That the Council be recommended to approve the recommendations of the Panel to appoint the following persons to current Local Authority Governing Body vacancies as follows:

| School Name | Ward | Start of Vacancy | Application Received |
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| Howardian Primary School | Penylan | 06/05/2022 | Elizabeth Edwards |
| Meadowbank | Llandaff North | 01/09/2022 | Glenda Dudley |

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| School | | | |
| The Hollies School | Pentwyn | 05/01/2023 | Sheila Davies |
| Thornhill Primary School | Llanishen | 19/04/2023 | Cllr Emma Reid-Jones |
| Whitchurch Primary School | Whitchurch & Tongwynlais | 10/03/2023 | David Fowkes |
| Windsor Clive Primary School | Ely | 29/03/2022 | Patrick O'Neill |
| Ysgol Gyfun Gymraeg Glantaf | Llandaff North | 15/12/2023 | Ian Speakman |
| Ysgol Gymraeg Melin Gruffydd | Whitchurch & Tongwynlais | 30/09/2022 | Sion Dafydd |

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

RESOLVED – That the Council be recommended to approve the recommendations of the Panel to appoint the following persons to future Local Authority Governing Body vacancies as follows:

| School Name | Ward | Start of Vacancy | Application Received |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Allensbank Primary School | Gabalfa | 13/09/2023 13/09/2023 | Sergey Popov Nirushan Sudarsan |
| Cathays High School | Gabalfa | 25/09/2023 | Cllr Norma Mackie |
| Creigiau Primary School | Creigiau & St Fagans | 25/09/2023 | Amanda Bouadana |
| Ffederasiwn y Ddraig | Trowbridge/ Llanrumney | 02/09/2023 02/09/2023 | Glyn Conoll Rachel Robjohn |
| Gladstone Primary School | Cathays | 13/09/2023 | Cllr Norma Mackie |
| Howardian Primary School | Penylan | 25/09/2023 | Cllr Sue Lent |
| Lakeside Primary School | Cyncoed | 13/09/2023 | Cllr Robert Hopkins |
| Llanedeyrn Primary School | Pentwyn | 17/09/2023 | Cllr Joe Carter |
| Llanishen Primary School | Llanishen | 13/09/2023 | Sarah Hopkins |
| Llysfaen Primary School | Lisvane | 25/09/2023 | Caroline Du Cann |
| Millbank Primary School | Caerau | 26/09/2023 | Gillian James |
| Pen y Bryn Primary School | Llanrumney | 13/09/2023 | David Simpson |
| Pontprennau Primary School | Pontprennau & Old St Mellons | 13/09/2023 | Joanne Nicholas |
| Radnor Primary School | Canton | 13/09/2023 | Meriel Ansell |

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| Trelai Primary School | Caerau | 13/09/2023 | Lois Robinson |
| Tremorfa Nursery School | Splott | 13/09/2023 | Hannah Chivers |
| Ysgol Gymraeg Nant Caerau | Caerau | 13/09/2023 | Rebecca Anderson |

8 : URGENT ITEMS (IF ANY)

There were no urgent items

9 : DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Panel is scheduled for 18 September at 2.00 pm

The meeting terminated at 2.50 pm