

LOCAL AUTHORITY GOVERNOR PANEL

22 JANUARY 2024

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

Barbara Connell – Cardiff Governors Representative

26 : APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies for absence were received

27 : DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

Councillor	School	Nature of Interest
Cllrs Merry, Ali, Driscoll, Lent, Lister & Robson	Rhydypenau Primary School	Personal – Applicant is fellow Councillor
Cllr Robert Hopkins	Rhydypenau Primary	Personal & Prejudicial – Referee for applicant
Cllr Robert Hopkins	Birchgrove Primary School	Personal – Applicant previously a work colleague
Cllr Robert Hopkins	Cardiff High School	Personal – Knows applicant
Cllrs Merry, Ali, Driscoll, Hopkins, Lent, Lister and Robson	Fitzalan High School	Personal – Applicant is fellow Councillor
Cllrs Merry, Ali, Driscoll, Hopkins, Lent, Lister and Robson	Grangetown Nursery School	Personal – Applicant is fellow Councillor
Cllrs Merry, Ali, Driscoll, Hopkins, Lent, Lister and Robson	St Francis RC Primary School	Personal – Applicant is fellow Councillor
Cllr Robert Hopkins	Ysgol y Wern	Personal – knows applicant
Cllrs Merry, Ali, Driscoll, Hopkins, Lent, Lister and Robson	Temporary Governing Body – primary school serving Cathays and parts of Gabalfa, Heath, Llandaff North & Plasnewydd	Personal – 3 Applicants are fellow Councillor
Cllr Merry	Temporary Governing Body – primary school serving Cathays and parts of Gabalfa, Heath, Llandaff North & Plasnewydd	Prejudicial – one applicant is a very good friend of the family
Cllr Lister	Temporary Governing Body – primary school serving Cathays and parts of Gabalfa, Heath, Llandaff North & Plasnewydd	Personal – knows one of the applicants

28 : MINUTES

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as a correct record of the meeting, proposed and seconded by Cllrs Ali and Hopkins

29 : LOCAL AUTHORITY SCHOOL GOVERNOR VACANCIES

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

30 : 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

31 : NOMINATIONS TO LOCAL AUTHORITY GOVERNOR VACANCIES

Councillor Merry, in accordance with her declaration of interest, left the meeting during discussion of the applications relating to the Temporary Governing Body – primary school serving Cathays and parts of Gabalfa, Heath, Llandaff North and Plasnewydd. It was proposed and seconded that Councillor Lister taken the Chair at that time. The Committee agreed.

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	Applications Received
Coed Glas Primary School	Llanishen	14/09/2023 29/11/2023	Najia Ashraf Rebecca Donovan
Eastern High	Trowbridge	30/11/2022	Karuna Hathiramani
Fairwater Primary School	Fairwater	24/07/2023	Alexandra Meah
Llanishen Fach Primary School	Rhiwbina	01/09/2023	Zadie Vaca
Oakfield Primary School	Trowbridge	28/06/2023	Guy Delong-Smith
Pencaerau Primary School	Caerau	02/11/2023	Nana Baah
Pentrebane Primary School	Fairwater	20/11/2023	Ayobami Oledajo
Pentyrch Primary School	Pentyrch & St Fagans	12/09/2023 12/09/2023	Nicola Harding
Roath Park Primary School	Plasnewydd	13/09/2023	David Morris
Severn Primary School	Riverside	16/12/2023	Avijit Bhagwant

School Name	Ward	Start of Vacancy	Applications Received
St Francis RC Primary School	Ely	17/05/2022	Lauren Reilly
Thornhill Primary School	Lisvane & Thornhill	29/10/2023	Siobhan Evans
Windsor Clive Primary School	Ely	05/07/2023	Kathryn Stevens
Ysgol Pencae	Llandaff	26/01/2022	Delyth Evans

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:

School	Ward	Start of Vacancy	Re-appointment requested	New application received
Birchgrove Primary School	Heath	22/05/2024	Christine Salter	
Cardiff High School	Cyncoed	27/05/2024	Miriam Norton	
Fitzalan High School	Canton	29/01/2024		Cllr Jasmin Chowdhury
Federation of All Saints' CW Primary School and St David's CW Primary School x 2 vacancies	Pentwyn	19/02/2024 19/02/2024	Steven Erickson Stephen Henderickson	
Grangetown Nursery School	Grangetown	18/05/2024	Cllr Lynda Thorne	
Greenhill School	Rhiwbina	22/05/2024	Mark Thomas	
Llysfaen Primary School	Lisvane & Thornhill	22/05/2024	Nick Barber	
Pen-Y-Bryn Primary School	Llanrumney	27/05/2024	Paul Stock	
St Francis RC Primary School	Ely	27/05/2024	Cllr Irene Humphries	
Ysgol Gyfun Gymraeg Plasmawr	Fairwater	22/05/2024	Mair Parry-Jones	
Ysgol Y Wern	Llanishen	27/05/2024	Margaret Kemp	

The Committee received and considered applications to vacancies for the Temporary Governing Body to oversee the establishment of the new primary school serving

Cathays and parts of Gabalfa, Heath, Llandaff North and Plasnewydd, against criteria, matching skills to vacancies. RESOLVED – That the Council be recommended to approve the recommendations of the Panel to appoint the following:

School Name	Ward	Start of Vacancy	Applications Received
Temporary Governing Body to oversee the establishment of the new primary school serving Cathays and parts of Gabalfa, Heath, Llandaff North and Plasnewydd:			
LA GOVERNOR POSITIONS X 3		05/02/2024 05/02/2024 05/02/2024	Cllr Norma Mackie Cllr Chris Weaver Cllr Rhys Taylor
PARENT GOVERNOR POSITIONS X 4		05/02/2024 05/02/2024 05/02/2024 05/02/2024	Kate Moles Zainab Mahmood Alison Bolton Claire Guthrie

32 : URGENT ITEMS (IF ANY)

No urgent items were tabled.

33 : DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting of the Panel is on Monday 12 March 2024

The meeting terminated at 6.15 pm