

Local Authority School Governor Appointments Panel

Agenda

Date: Friday, 19th October, 2012
Time: 10.30 am
Venue: Committee Suite 1,2 & 3, Westfields, Middlewich Road,
Sandbach CW11 1HZ

The agenda is divided into 2 parts. Part 1 is taken in the presence of the public and press. Part 2 items will be considered in the absence of the public and press for the reasons indicated on the agenda and at the foot of each report.

PART 1 – MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WITH THE PUBLIC AND PRESS PRESENT

1. **Apologies for Absence**
2. **Declarations of Interest**

To provide an opportunity for Members and Officers to declare any disclosable pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in any item on the agenda.

Declarations are a personal matter for each Member to decide. Whilst Officers can advise on the Code and its interpretation, the decision to declare or not, is the responsibility of the Member, based on the particular circumstances.

3. **Public Speaking Time/Open Session**

For any apologies or requests for further information, or to give notice of a question to be asked by a member of the public

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In accordance with Procedure Rules Nos. 11 and 35, a total period of 10 minutes is allocated for members of the public to address the Panel on any matter relevant to its work.

Individual members of the public may speak for up to 5 minutes, but the Chairman will decide how the period of time allocated for public speaking will be apportioned where there are a number of speakers. Members of the public are not required to give notice to use this facility. However, as a matter of courtesy, a period of 24 hours' notice is encouraged.

Members of the public wishing to ask a question at the meeting should provide at least three clear working days' notice in writing and should include the question with that notice. This will enable an informed answer to be given.

4. **Minutes of Previous Meeting** (Pages 1 - 6)

To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 25 May 2012.

5. **Exclusion of Press and Public**

The reports relating to the following item has been withheld from public circulation and deposit pursuant to Section 100(B)(2) of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that the matters may be determined with the press and public excluded.

The Panel is asked to RESOLVE –

That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item, pursuant to Section 100(A)4 of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of The Local Government Act 1972 and the public interest would not be served in publishing the information.

PART 2 - MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED IN THE ABSENCE OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

6. **Local Authority Appointments to School Governing Bodies** (Pages 7 - 50)

The report of the Strategic Director, informs Members of current Local Authority Governor vacancies within Cheshire East maintained schools.

7. **Date of Next Meeting**

The Panel is asked to note that the next meeting will be held on Friday 1 February 2013 in the Committee Suite at Westfields, Sandbach.

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the **Local Authority School Governor
Appointments Panel**
held on Friday, 25th May, 2012 at Committee Suite 1,2 & 3, Westfields,
Middlewich Road, Sandbach CW11 1HZ

PRESENT

Councillor Rhoda Bailey (Vice-Chair, in the Chair)

Councillors J Clowes, K Edwards (for Cllr Harewood), H Gaddum, M Martin
and B Silvester

Officers

Andy Kent, Liaison Manager – Schools, Settings and Services
Rachel Graves, Democratic Services Officer

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillors G Merry, A Harewood and
D Mahon.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare any personal and/or prejudicial interests
in any item on the agenda.

Declarations of interest were made as appropriate during discussions of
the item of business in which there was an interest.

3 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN SESSION

In accordance with Procedure Rule 11 and 35, a total of 10 minutes was
allocated for members of the public to address the Panel on any matter
relevant to its work.

There were no members of the public in attendance and the Panel,
therefore, proceeded to the next item of business.

4 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**RESOLVED:**

That the minutes of the meeting of the Panel held on 3 February 2012 be
approved as a correct record, subject to the following amendment:

Item 53 Local Authority Appointments to School Governing Bodies
The resolution for Buglawton Primary School be amended as follows:

Delete "Cllr G Hayes"

Insert "The decision to appoint a governor be deferred to allow for the Officer to make further enquiries with the school."

5 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED:

That the public and press be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item, pursuant to Section 100(A)4 of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that it involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972 and the public interest would not be served in publishing this information.

6 LOCAL AUTHORITY APPOINTMENTS TO SCHOOL GOVERNING BODIES

The report of the Director of Children and Family Services informed the Panel of vacancies within Cheshire East maintained schools, in the context of vacancies at national level and recommended individuals for appointment and re-appointment to identified posts.

Additional information was tabled at the meeting in respect of five new appointments and one re-appointment.

The Panel was also updated on the establishment of a shadow Governing Body at Audlem St James CE Primary School.

The School Governance (Constitution) (England) Regulations 2012 would come into force on 1 September 2012. This was permissive legislation and for existing schools it would be for an individual governing body to choose to reconstitute or continue in line with the current 2007 regulations which would otherwise continue to apply. The 2012 regulations stated that a local authority governor was a "person who was nominated by the local authority and was appointed as a governor by the governing body having, in the opinion of the governing body, met any eligibility criteria that they had set". The change in definition meant that the Panel's Terms of Reference and procedures would need to be amended to allow for both appointments under the 2007 regulations and nominations under the new 2012 regulations. Officers were awaiting publication of statutory guidance before drafting the required revision.

RESOLVED:

(1) That the following appointments be made:

(a) **New Appointments** for a four year term of office with effect from 26 May 2012:

BOLLINGTON CROSS CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mr M I Bailey

Note: Councillor Edwards declared a personal interest on the basis that Mr Bailey was a Bollington Council colleague.

BRIERLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mr C Parker

BUGLAWTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mr R Davey

CRANBERRY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mr D Black

DISLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mrs G Marshall

HOLLINHEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mr P Hooley

Note: Councillor Gaddum declared a personal and prejudicial interest in the application as she had nominated Mr Hooley for the position and left the meeting during consideration of this application.

IVY BANK PRIMARY SCHOOL

Prof A G Sutcliffe

Mrs P Broadley

RUSKIN SPORTS AND LANGUAGES COLLEGE

Mr R J Baddeley

SHAVINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

The decision to appoint be deferred to allow Officers to seek further information and the final decision be delegated to the Chairman of the Local Authority School Governors Appointment Panel, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Children and Family Services.

SIR WILLIAM STANIER COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Mr A F Coxhill

ST ANNE'S FULSHAW CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mrs H Shepherd

THE QUINTA PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mr M B Horgan

WESTON VILLAGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mr T Gill

Note: Councillor Clowes declared a personal interest as she was acquainted with the nominee.

WISTASTON CHURCH LANE PRIMARY SCHOOL
Mr P Taylor

WYCHE PRIMARY SCHOOL
Mrs S E Smith

- (b) **Reappointments** from the day after their term of office comes to an end:

ASH GROVE PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY
Mrs K Egdell

Note: Councillor Gaddum declared a personal interest as she was acquainted with the nominee.

CRANBERRY PRIMARY SCHOOL
The decision to appoint be deferred to allow Officers to seek further information and the final decision be delegated to the Chairman of the Local Authority School Governors Appointment Panel, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Children and Family Services

MABLINS LANE COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL
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THE MARLBOROUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL
Cllr W H Livesley
Note: all Members declared a personal interest in respect of this appointment on the basis that W H Livesley was a Councillor colleague.

WILLASTON PRIMARY SCHOOL
Mrs J Moran

- (2) The following appointment, made in accordance with the procedures for emergency LA Governor appointments to be made

to schools in the Council's "Improving Outcomes Programme", be noted:

DEAN VALLEY COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL
Mr T Penny

- (3) the decision to appoint to the shadow Governing Body at Audlem St James CE Primary School be delegated to the Chairman of the Local Authority School Governors Appointment Panel, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Children and Family Services.
- (4) that applicants for re-appointment as a governor be required to complete the 'reasons for becoming a governor' section on the application form in more detail and Officers to ensure that this was communicated to all applicants in future.

7 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is to be held on Friday 19 October 2012 in the Committee Suite at Westfields, Sandbach.

The meeting commenced at 10.35 am and concluded at 11.55 am

Councillor Rhoda Bailey (Vice-Chair, in the Chair)

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