

CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of the Local Authority School Governor Nomination Sub-Committee

held on Wednesday, 8th June, 2022 in the The Capesthorne Room - Town Hall, Macclesfield SK10 1EA

PRESENT

Councillor S Carter (Chair)

Councillors M Beanland, D Edwardes, A Harewood and G Hayes

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

Su Garbutt, Senior Governance Officer, School Governance and Liaison
Josie Lloyd, Democratic Services Officer

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

2 PUBLIC SPEAKING/OPEN SESSION

There were no public speakers.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

4 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 30 March 2022 be agreed as a correct record.

5 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED:

That the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item in pursuant to Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 as amended 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 NOMINATIONS TO SCHOOL GOVERNING BODIES

The committee received the report which detailed the current Local Authority Governor vacancies within Cheshire East maintained schools and academies, in the context of vacancies at a national level, and recommended individuals for nomination to identified posts.

The committee noted concerns from a recent Ofsted report for St Gregory's Primary School, which had been moved into special measures, particularly regarding the current governing board. The committee were advised that following the Ofsted Inspection, the school was awaiting conversion to academy status and that upon joining a MAT the Local Authority Governor position would be nullified. Due consideration was given and it was agreed, with regard to the benefit of continuity and an awareness of where improvement is required, that the nominated individual would be reappointed. It was also agreed that the School Governance Team would write to the Chair of Governors to express the committee's views regarding the reappointment.

It was requested that future reports include comparative data from other local authorities, particularly those neighbouring Cheshire East, on current vacant positions.

A further request was made for the application form to be amended to include a tick box to indicate approval from the headteacher of the school.

RESOLVED:

That, having regard to the statutory guidance in making nominations, the following be approved:

Nominations for Appointment:

WINCLE CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL
Paul Taylor

Nominations for Reappointment:

ST GREGORY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
Susan Davidson

7 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next meeting was noted to be 7 September 2022.

The meeting commenced at 10.00 and concluded at 10.10.

Councillor S Carter (Chair)