

Report to: Council

Date: 4 March 2009

Subject: Appointment of Local Authority Representative Governors

Report of: Director of Children & Young People's Services

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Purpose / summary: To inform Council of Local Authority Representative Governor vacancies at schools in the Borough, and for Council to make appointments.

Alternative options considered and reason for selecting the one recommended:

Recommendation / decision: That appointment of Governors to be made. The Director of Children & Young People's Services be requested to advise the Local Authority appointed Governors of their terms of office as set out in the report.

Risks / Implications:

Financial:	None
Staffing:	None
Policy:	None
Equal Opportunities - Has a Diversity Impact Assessment been conducted?	Yes
Wards affected:	All

Property Implications – Does the proposal involve a reduction, addition or change to the Council's asset base or its occupation?

No

If yes, have the property implications been agreed with the Corporate Property Officer?

Does this proposal have significant implications for the Council and the local population?

A diversity impact assessment is not necessary at this stage, however, equality and diversity implications have been considered when producing this report.

Does this proposal involve a new policy or procedure or significant changes to an existing policy or procedure?

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Has the Service Director - Borough Solicitor confirmed that the recommendations within this report are lawful and comply with the Council's Constitution? **Yes**

Has the Service Director - Corporate Services confirmed that any expenditure referred to within this report is consistent with the Council's budget? **Yes**

Are any of the recommendations within this report contrary to the Policy Framework of the Council? **No**

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For Cabinet reports only :

Categorisation of the report:	x
Discussion leading to a decision	
Monitoring	
Sharing for corporate understanding	

	x
Discussion	
Decision	
Information	

Tracking/Process:

	Consultation	Ward Members	Partners
Panel	Overview & Scrutiny	Cabinet	Council
			4/3/09

List of Background Papers in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972:

Title of document	Which meeting did it go to?	Date of meeting	Copy available from?
Instruments of Government - Various Schools	N/A	N/A	Children & Young People's Services, Progress House, Westwood Park Drive, Wigan, WN3 4HH

Proper Officer _____

Date _____

Governor Vacancies

With effect from 1st June, 2006 all governors are required to undergo a Criminal Records Bureau Check at the enhanced level. On both the application form for prospective governors and the Local Authority Governor Re-appointment Form is the statement 'I agree to undertake a Criminal Records Bureau Check on my appointment/re-appointment'. Any Local Authority Governor who does not comply with this requirement will be disqualified from holding or continuing to hold office as a governor pursuant to the Education Act 2002 and School Governance (Constitution)(England) Regulations 2007.

**Local Authority Representative Governors are required for the schools listed below.
Nominations/applications through Governor Services only.**

Schools/ Establishments	Date of vacancy	Number of vacancies	Nominations	New Vacancies
Ashton – Cansfield High Specialist Language College	1/09	1	Ms IJ Parker – nominated by the school 28/1/09 application received	Mrs R Crane – resignation
Ashton - Landgate	11/08	Now only 1 vacancy as the Governing Body has re-constituted	Mr N Woods – application received 13/1/09 - current Additional Governor Special Measures	
Hindley SureStart Nursery	9/08	1	Cllr J Ellis – nominated at Council meeting 7/1/09 application received 12/1/09 Mrs A Addis – nominated by the Chair of the Governing Body 15/1/09 – Local Authority employee and experience governor	
Leigh CE Juniors	8/08	1		
Leigh – St Peter's CE Infant	11/08	1		
Shevington High	10/08	1		

Shevington Vale Primary	9/05	1		
Tyldesley – St George’s CE Central Primary	1/09	1		Mr A Murgatroyd – change of category from Local Authority to Foundation Governor
Wigan – Beech Hill Community Primary	4/08	1	This vacancy is not being filled at the present time	
Wigan – Saint Paul’s CE Primary	2/08	1		
Wigan – St Marks’ CE Primary	2/09	1		Mrs C Martindale - resignation
Wigan – Worsley Mesnes Community Primary	11/08	1		

Governor Re-appointments.

The representative Governors listed below have completed, or are due to complete, their term of office. It is requested that consideration be given to their continuance as Local Authority representative Governors.

Cllr C Rigby

Bedford High School – A Specialist College of Business and Enterprise

Mr A Fishburn

Britannia Bridge Primary School

Cllr J Moodie

Woodfield Primary School

LEA Vacancies for the period March 2007 to January 2009

Wigan LA Vacancies currently stand at 3.14%

NW LA Vacancies currently stand at 10.1%

National LA Vacancies currently stand at 11% (figure issued annually)

Metropolitan LA Vacancies currently stand at 10% (figure issued annually)

LEA Governor Vacancy Trends

