

CABINET LOCAL AUTHORITY GOVERNORS APPOINTMENTS SUB COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, 27TH JULY, 2017

At 6.00 pm

in the

ASCOT AND BRAY - TOWN HALL,

SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

PART I

| <u>ITEM</u> | <u>SUBJECT</u> | <u>PAGE NO</u> |
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| 4. | <u>APPOINTMENT OF LOCAL AUTHORITY REPRESENTATIVES TO GOVERNING BODIES OF SCHOOLS IN THE ROYAL BOROUGH</u> To Consider the additional information. | 3 - 4 |

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Agenda Item 4

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| Report Title: | Appointment of Local Authority Representatives to Governing Bodies of Schools in the Royal Borough |
| Contains Confidential or Exempt Information? | Part I except for - YES – Appendix A Part II (Not for publication by virtue of paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972) |
| Member reporting: | Cllr Natasha Airey, Lead Member for Children's Services |
| Meeting and Date: | Cabinet Local Authority Governors Appointments Sub Committee – 27 July 2017 |
| Responsible Officer(s): | Alison Alexander, Managing Director Mary Kilner, Head of Law and Governance |
| Wards affected: | Bisham and Cookham, Boyn Hill, Furze Platt, Clewer East, Clewer South and Hurley and Walthams. |

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REPORT SUMMARY

1. This report deals with vacancies that have arisen or will shortly arise for Local Authority (LA) representatives on school governing bodies, of maintained or academy schools, within the Royal Borough, and of nominations that have been received, so that appointments/recommendations may be made.
2. These recommendations are being made in order that the LA may be represented on school governing bodies.
3. There are no financial implications for the Council.

2. REASON(S) FOR RECOMMENDATION(S) AND OPTIONS CONSIDERED

- 2.1 These recommendations are made in order that the Local Authority may be represented on school governing bodies.

| Option | Comments |
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| To select/recommend an appropriate applicant from those available. Recommended option. | If it is deemed that the skills and knowledge of the applicants meet the needs of the schools it will be an advantage to the governance resource of that school to endorse the application immediately. |
| To defer some/all appointments/recommendations to a future meeting. Not recommended. | The DfE recommends that appointments should normally be made to fill vacancies within three months. Any deferral could delay this process. |
| To note the approach taken by each Academy in relation to the LA governor representative role. | There is no requirement for Academies to have an LA governor representative. However, if they choose to do so, there can be no more than one LA governor |

| Option | Comments |
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| N/A for this report. | representative on the Academy's governing body. |

Applications received and Local Authority vacancies to-date

- 2.2 There are no Local Authority Governor vacancies where appointment is directly made by the LA Governors Appointments Sub Committee for consideration at this meeting.
- 2.3 There are five vacancies and two potential appointment, see table 1. Where applicants have come forward, these positions can all be considered and recommendations made to the School Governing Body under the statutory guidance on School Governance (Constitution) (England) Regulations 2012 by the Cabinet LA Governors Appointments Sub Committee.

Table 1: Sub-committee recommendations

| School | Ward | Name of Applicant(s) | Number of Vacancies | Vacant Since | Comment |
|--|---|----------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--|
| All Saints Junior School | Boyn Hill | No applicant | 1 | 15 November 2016 | Position being advertised |
| Furze Platt Infant School | Furze Platt | Jeremy Spooner | 1 | 15 May 2017 | Awaiting Comments from School. |
| Hilltop First School | Clewer South | No applicant | 1 | 22 October 2016 | Position being advertised |
| Nursery Federation Cookham, Windsor and The Lawns | Bisham and Cookham Clewer East Furze Platt | Mrs Gillian Cocklin | 1 | 4 July 2017 | Comments from School in Appendix A. |
| Woodlands Park Primary | Hurley and Walthams | No applicant | 1 | 10 June 2016 | Position being advertised |

The appointment recommended by the Sub Committee at its meeting on 30 May 2017 to the vacancy at Hilltop First School was not taken up by the applicant, hence this has been advertised again.