

# Walsall Metropolitan Borough Council

# <u>L.E.A. GOVERNOR APPOINTMENT PANEL –</u> 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2004

# REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR LIFELONG LEARNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

## APPOINTMENT OF LOCAL EDUCATION AUTHORITY (LEA) GOVERNORS

### 1. **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

The purpose of the report is to request that the Panel appoint LEA Governors to the named Governing Bodies.

#### 2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Panel is asked to appoint LEA Governors to the named Governing Bodies.

#### 3. **FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

There are no financial implications within this report.

#### 4. **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no policy implications within this report.

# 5. **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

LEA Governors are appointed under the provisions of S36 and 37 of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998.

#### 6. **EQUAL OPPORTUNITY IMPLICATIONS**

There are no equal opportunity implications.

#### 7. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

There is no environmental impact.

# 8. WARD(S) AFFECTED

Several Wards of the Borough

### 9. **CONSULTEES**

None

# 10. **CONTACT OFFICER**

Milkinder Jaspal

# 11. BACKGROUND PAPERS

Correspondence from Governing Bodies

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#### **Appointment of LEA Governors**

### 1. Purpose

The purpose of this report is to request that the Panel appoint LEA Governors to the named Governing Bodies.

#### 2.1 Recommendations

The Panel is asked to appoint LEA governors to the named governing bodies for a four year period (unless otherwise stated) or until the introduction of a New Instrument of Government arising from the Education Act 2002, whichever is sooner.

# **Explanatory Notes**

\*An asterisk indicates that a letter regarding the nomination has been received from the school. This has been circulated for consideration to the three political spokespersons for the Panel.

\*\*Two asterisks indicate that a Form from a Potential Governor has been received.

This has been circulated for consideration to the three political spokespersons for the Panel.

\*\*\* Three asterisks indicate that a letter has been received stating that the Governor does not wish to be re-appointed. This has been circulated to the three political spokespersons for the Panel.

Governing bodies have to be re-constituted during the period 1<sup>st</sup> September 2003 to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2006 under the provisions of the Education Act 2002.

N- indicates the Governing Body has been constituted or re-constituted under the provisions of the Education Act 2002. The transitional arrangements under the regulations made under that Act are a little complex and affect, for example, periods of office. A letter has been sent to all schools explaining this and is appended, Appendix 1, for the information of the Panel.

#### 3. Governing Bodies requiring LEA Governors

3.1. (a) Christ Church C. of E. (C) J.M.I. School requires the appointment of an LEA Governor. This arises because Mr. P. Box has resigned. This was deferred at the Administration and

Audit Committee's meetings held on 17.2.2003, 1.4.2003, 23.6.2003 and 29.7.2003. This was deferred by the L.E.A. Governor Appointment Panel meetings held on 10.10.2003, 19.11.2003, 30.12.2003, 10.2.2004, 25.3.2004, 5 5.2004, 13.7.2004, 9.9.2004 and 21.10.2004.

This appointment is from the date of appointment to 31.8.2006, or the introduction of a new Instrument of Government if sooner.

Current LEA Governors are:

Councillor R. Robinson and Councillor W. Tweddle.

There is one vacancy for an LEA Governor.

\*\* Mr. A. Naseem

(b) St. John's C. of E. Primary School requires the appointment of two LEA Governors. This arises because Councillor A. Harris has resigned.

This was deferred at the L.E.A. Appointment Panel meeting held on 21.10.2004.

A second vacancy arises because Mrs. S. Fulford has resigned.

These appointments are from the date of appointment to 31.8.2006 or the introduction of a New Instrument of Government if sooner.

Current Governors are:

Mr. S. Harper.

There are two vacancies for L.E.A. Governors.

\*\* Mr. M. Roberts

(c) Lodge Farm J.M.I School requires the appointment of an LEA Governor. This arises because the term of office of Mr. S. Robinson ceased on 5.11.2004.

This was deferred at the L.E.A. Appointment Panel meeting held on 21.10.2004

This appointment is from the date of appointment to 31.8.2006, or the introduction of a New Instrument of

Government if sooner.

Current LEA Governors are:

Mr. I. Brindley, Councillor Mrs. D. Shires and Councillor V. Woodruff.

There is one vacancy for an LEA Governor.

\*\*\*A letter from the Clerk to the Governors has been received stating Mr. Robinson does not wish to be reconsidered.

\*\* Miss I. Kaur

# N 1/1/04

(d) Blue Coat C. of E. (A) Infant School requires the appointment of an LEA Governor. This arises because Mrs. J. Beale has resigned.

This appointment is for 4 years from the date of appointment.

Current LEA Governors are:

None.

There is one vacancy for an LEA Governor

N 1/9/04 (e) Caldmore Community Primary School requires the appointment of an LEA Governor. This arises because the term of office of Mrs. Q. Khan will cease on 16.12.2004.

This appointment is for 4 years from 17.12.2004.

Current LEA Governors are:

Mr. Z. Nawaz.

There is one vacancy for an LEA Governor.

\*A letter from the Head Teacher has been received requesting the Panel to consider re-appointing Mrs. Q. Khan to this position.

(20/12/ (f) Chuckery Primary Primary School requires the appointment of an LEA Governor. This arises because the term of office of Mr. A. Macintosh will cease on 19.12.2004. This appointment is for 4 years from 20.12.2004.

Current LEA Governors are:

Councillor Z. Ali, Mr. A. Aslam and Councillor B. Sanders.

There is one vacancy for an LEA Governor.

\*A letter from the Clerk to the Governors has been received requesting the Panel to consider re-appointing Mr. M. Macintosh to this position.

## (20/12/ (g) Cooper and Jordan C. of E. (V.A.) Primary School requires the appointment of an LEA

2004) **Governor.** This arises because the term of office of Mrs. E. Bolton and Mr. D. Popratnjak will cease on 19.12.2004.

The New Instrument of Government for this Governing Body comes into force on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2004 and provides for **1 L.E.A. Governor** 

This appointment is for 4 years from 20.12.2004.

Current LEA Governors are:

Mrs. E. Bolton and Mr. D. Popratnjak..

None

\*\*\*A letter from Mr. Popratnjak has been received stating that it is his intention to resign when his period of office expires in December.

\*A letter from the Chair of Governors has been received requesting the Panel to consider re-appointing Mrs. Bolton to this position.

(1/1/05) **(h) Beechdale Primary School requires the appointment of three LEA Governors.** This arises because the term of office for Mr. S. Barrett and Councillor T. Oliver will cease on 31.12.2004. A third vacancy arises because the term of office for Miss A. Keay will cease on 14.1.2005

These appointments are for 4 years: 2 from 1.1.2005 and 1 from 15.1.2005 respectively.

Current LEA Governors are:

Councillor Mrs. J. Barton.

There are three vacancies for LEA Governors.

\*A letter from the Head Teacher has been received requesting the Panel to consider re-appointing Mr. Barrett, Councillor Oliver and Miss Keay to these positions.

(1/1/05) (i) Brownhills Community Technology College requires the appointment of three LEA Governors. This arises because the term of office for Mrs. F. Birch, Mrs. L. Stanistreet and Councillor A. Paul will cease on 31.12.2004.

These appointments are for 4 years from 1.1.2005.

Current LEA Governors are:

Mr. P. Collins.

There are three vacancies for LEA Governors.

\*A letter from the Clerk to the Governors has been received requesting the Panel to consider re-appointing Mrs. Birch, Mrs. Stanistreet and Councillor Paul to these positions.

(1/1/05) **(j) Whitehall Nursery and Infant School requires the appointment of two LEA Governors.** This arises because Mr. K. Draper has resigned and the term of office of Mrs. C. Jones will cease on 31.12.2004.

These appointments are for 4 years from 1.1.2005.

Current LEA Governors are:

Councillor M. Munir.

There are two vacancies for LEA Governors.

\*A letter from the Clerk to the Governors has been received requesting the Panel to consider re-appointing Mrs. Jones to this position.

(1/1/05) **(k) Whitehall Junior School requires the appointment of two LEA Governors.** This arises because Mr. K. Draper has resigned and the term of office of Mr. M. Nazir will cease on 31.12.2004. These appointments are for 4 years from 1.1.2005.

Current LEA Governors are:

Councillor M. Yasin.

There are two vacancies for LEA Governors.

\*A letter from the Clerk to the Governors has been received requesting the Panel to consider a change of membership for Mr. Nazir due to his non-attendance at meetings.

#### (1) Trustee of Blue Coat and National Schools and Subsidiary Foundations.

The appointment of an L.E.A. Representative as a trustee of the Blue Coat and National Schools and Subsidiary Foundations is required. This arises because the term of office of Councillor M. Yaqub will cease on 31.12.2004. This appointment is for **3** years from 1.1.2005.

The current Representative is Councillor M. Yaqub

 $Report\ prepared\ by\ Education\ Walsall-Governor\ Support\ and\ Development$   $Team\ -\ PH/24.11.2004.$ 

Our ref: APPENDIX 1

Miss P. Horton.
Governor Support and Development Team,

To: Governing Body Chairs, Clerks and Head Teachers

16<sup>th</sup> June 2003.

Dear Colleague,

#### **Governors' Periods of Office**

We are intending to send a report to governing bodies explaining the new governing body procedures, which come into effect from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2003. There will also be training available in the new procedures available as part of the Governor Support Service Level Agreement. However we have recently received a number of telephone enquiries regarding Governors' periods of office and are therefore sending this letter containing advice received from DfES.

All Governors elected or appointed **on or before 1<sup>st</sup> September 2003** serve out their term of office until it ends, or up to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2006, whichever is the earlier.

The exception to the above is Nursery Schools who are establishing their Governing Bodies for the first time. The periods of office for Nursery School Governors will therefore be from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2003 for the relevant period stated in the Instrument of Government.

Governors elected or appointed on or after 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2003 under a New Instrument will serve out their full term of office as stated in the Instrument of Government.

Governors elected or appointed on or after 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2003 under the Old Instrument of Government will serve until the date of reconstitution, which will be no later than 31<sup>st</sup> August 2006.

We hope this guidance is helpful.

Yours sincerely,

Paul Goddard-Patel, Milkinder Jaspal, Pauline Horton and Anne Lowe Governor Support and Development Team