At a meeting of the EDUCATION (APPOINTMENT OF GOVERNORS) PANEL held in the CIVIC CENTRE, SUNDERLAND on MONDAY 28 NOVEMBER 2011 at 5.15pm

Present: -

Councillor Porthouse in the Chair

Councillors Emerson, S Foster, Williams, Wood and Mrs D Elliott.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Oliver and Shattock.

Declarations of Interest

Councillor Williams declared a personal interest in Item No.5 as she was one of the nominees.

Minutes

10. RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting of the Panel held on 26 September 2011 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

Consideration of Candidates for Inclusion on the Approved List

The Executive Director of Children's Services submitted a report on applications received for inclusion on the list of approved candidates for appointment as Local Authority Governors.

Consideration having been given to the applications received, it was: -

11. RESOLVED that the Executive Director of Children's Services be authorised to include the following candidates on the approved list of candidates for appointment as Authority Governors: -

Elaine Matterson Joan Cotcher Eileen Thompson

Governing Body Nominations

The Executive Director of Children's Services submitted a report on nominations received for appointments to various governing bodies.

Upon discussion, it was: -

12. RESOLVED that the nominations detailed in the report be approved.

Power of Local Authority to Appoint Additional Governors

The Executive Director of Children's Services submitted a report requesting that additional governors be appointed to Hasting Hill Primary School.

Hasting Hill Primary School had been placed in Special Measures following an OFSTED inspection in March 2011 and the Local Authority had been given powers of intervention and powers to appoint additional Local Authority governors.

One additional governor had already been appointed but it was felt that to further strengthen the Governing Body, two additional governors should be nominated.

Upon consideration of the report, it was: -

13. RESOLVED that Elaine Matterson and Joan Cotcher be appointed to the Governing Body of Hasting Hill Primary School for an initial term of office of one year.

Notification of Appointment of Governors

Gary Robinson advised that a number of Headteachers had requested prior notification when new Authority governors had been appointed to their respective Governing Bodies.

The Panel agreed that this would be an appropriate courtesy to Headteachers and would allow them to be prepared when a new governor was expected at a meeting.

14. RESOLVED that Headteacher be informed in writing when a new Authority Governor has been appointed to their Governing Body.