

EDUCATION (APPOINTMENT OF GOVERNORS) PANEL

AGENDA

Meeting to be held in City Hall (Council Chamber) on Monday 7 February 2022 at 5.45 p.m.

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**At a meeting of the EDUCATION (APPOINTMENT OF GOVERNORS) PANEL
held in the COUNCIL CHAMBER, CIVIC SUITE, CIVIC CENTRE on MONDAY 15
NOVEMBER 2021 at 5.45 p.m.**

Present:-

Councillor G. Smith in the Chair

Councillors Hartnack, Nicholson and Scanlan

Also Present:-

Zena Wilkinson, Team Leader, Governors' Support Team, Together for Children
Hazel Mackel, Executive Governance Services Team Leader

Declarations of Interest

None.

Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were submitted to the meeting on behalf of Councillors E. Gibson, McClennan, McKeith, Noble, Rowntree and Williams.

Appointment of Chair

In the absence of the Chair, it was moved by Councillor Scanlan and seconded by Councillor Hartnack that Councillor G. Smith be appointed as Chair for this meeting of the Panel.

1. RESOLVED that Councillor G. Smith be appointed as Chair for this meeting.

Minutes

2. RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting of the Panel held on 13 September 2021 (copy circulated) be confirmed as a correct record.

Consideration of Candidates for Inclusion on the Approved List

The Director of Children's Services submitted a report and a supplementary report on the following applications received for inclusion on the list of approved candidates for appointment as Local Authority Governors:-

Viv Ingleton – Sunningdale Primary School
Keith Norton – Fatfield Academy
Lesley Stevens – Pennywell Nursery
Timothy Wall – Easington Lane Primary School

(For copy report– see original minutes).

Ms Wilkinson reported that in addition to the applications in the report, there was an additional verbal application to consider in respect of Lindsay Briggs for Hudson Road Primary School. She explained that expressions of interest from local councillors had been unsuccessful and Ms Briggs was currently serving as a co-opted governor. The school had requested that Ms Briggs be nominated as a Local Authority representative as it would be easier to seek nominations for a replacement co-opted governor position. She advised that Ms Briggs was a committed governor with excellent attendance, having already served as a parent governor and also as a Chair.

Councillor Hartnack requested that attendance data be included in the report where governors were seeking re-appointment, especially when being appointed as representatives of the local authority. Ms Wilkinson reported that the application for appointment as a governor form would be amended to include this request for the information however she could not guarantee that it would be completed in all instances. The Governor Support Team only held attendance data for those schools that held service level agreements with the Governors' Support service.

Following consideration of the applications and Councillor Hartnack having abstained from the re-appointment in respect of Pennywell Nursery in the absence of the attendance data, it was:-

3. RESOLVED that the Director of Children's Services be authorised to include Viv Ingleton, Keith Norton, Lesley Stevens, Timothy Wall and Lindsay Brigg on the list of approved candidates for appointment as Local Authority Governors.

Governing Board Nominations

The Director of Children's Services submitted a report and a supplementary report seeking the nomination of the following approved candidates to the schools indicated below:-

Viv Ingleton – Sunningdale Primary School
Keith Norton – Fatfield Academy
Lesley Stevens – Pennywell Nursery
Timothy Wall – Easington Lane Primary School
Lindsay Brigg – Hudson Road Primary School

(For copy report and supplementary – see original minutes).

Following consideration of the nominations and Councillor Hartnack having abstained from the re-appointment in respect of Pennywell Nursery in the absence of the attendance data, it was:-

4. RESOLVED that the nominations be approved.

(Signed) G. SMITH,
Chair.

CONSIDERATION OF CANDIDATES FOR INCLUSION ON APPROVED LIST AT A MEETING OF THE EDUCATION (APPOINTMENT OF GOVERNORS) PANEL HELD ON 7 FEBRUARY 2022

Name and occupation (address supplied on file)	Is there a particular school (or schools) that you would like to serve as an Authority governor?	What commitment can you give to the role of Authority Governor? If re-appointment is being considered please provide an overview of attendance at meetings	Do you have any previous educational (or other) experience, which will assist you in the role of Authority Governor?	Are you a member of any local voluntary groups or organisations, or are you involved in any community activities?	Are there any additional comments that you would like to make in support of your application to become an Authority Governor?
Stefanie Jardine Watson ITT Lecturer	Ryhope Junior School	Chair of Governor Attendance 100%	Primary teacher Teacher training lecturer	no	Already An existing Governor coming to the end of their term of office.
Cllr D McKnight	Hylton Castle Primary	Governor Attendance 95%			Already an existing Governor coming to the end of her term of office.

Iain Scott Sunderland City Councillor for Hetton Ward	Hetton Primary School	Full commitment to all meetings and ability to undertake actions resulting from these meetings. Attendance record for SCC meetings is 100% thus far, currently able to work flexibly around meeting times in order to maintain an excellent level of commitment.	Worked with children between the ages of 14 and 21 in an accredited “Learning Outside The Classroom” provider/activity centre locally. Current chairperson of 1st Eppleton Scout Group, having been involved in adult leadership there for over 10 years. Currently coaching U8s Rugby in Hartlepool (started at U5). I have a broad range of experience where working with children is concerned.	1st Eppleton Scout Group – Chairperson. Involved in Scouting since the age of 6. Rugby coach for U8s at Hartlepool Rugby Club Hetton Town Trust – Trustee Samuel Dobson Trust	I have a plethora of transferable skills ascertained from a varied career in different industries, ranging from utilities, to housing and medical trials. Currently, my work as a Senior Project Manager and people management experience may prove to be useful as an Authority Governor.
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Additional applications may be presented at the meeting and may be considered subject to the consent of the Chair.

Background Papers - Application to Serve as Local Authority School Governor.

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7 FEBRUARY 2022
GOVERNING BODY NOMINATIONS
REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES

The following nomination has been received:

Name	School	Nominated by
Stefanie Jardine Watson	Ryhope Junior School	Re-appointment as term of office is due to expire.
Cllr D Knight	Hylton Castle Primary	Re-appointment as term of office is due to expire.
Cllr Iain Scott	Hetton Primary School	Governing Board

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Members of the panel are asked to approve the above nominations.

Background Papers

No background Papers were used

