

**MINUTES** of a meeting of the **CABINET MEMBER - CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE** held on 1 October 2013 at County Hall, Matlock.

**PRESENT**

Councillor K Gillott (in the Chair)

**34/13**      **MINUTES**      **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting held on 3 September 2013 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Cabinet Member.

**35/13**      **NEW INSTRUMENTS OF GOVERNMENT**      Under the School Governance (Constitution) (England) Regulations 2012 the following Governing Body had requested an amendment to their Instrument of Government.

**RESOLVED** that the Instrument of Government for Etwall Primary School be amended to provide for a new Governing Body of 14 members comprising 5 parents, 1 Local Authority, 1 Staff, 1 Headteacher and 6 co-opted governors.

**36/13**      **APPOINTMENT OF SCHOOL GOVERNORS**      **RESOLVED** that the following persons be appointed to serve as LA Governors on school Governing Bodies:-

**Amber Valley**

C Kirby	Kilburn Junior School
M Smith	John Flamsteed Community School
J Woodthorpe	Riddings Infant & Nursery School
D Wilson	Alfreton Park Community Special School
D McHarg	Heage Primary School
J Osborne	John Flamsteed Community School

**Bolsover**

T Patterson	Whitwell Primary School
A Beckett	Town End Junior School
D Kelly	Frederick Gent School
B Marshall	Frederick Gent School

## **Chesterfield**

P Donnelly	St Mary's Catholic Primary School (Chesterfield)
S Bagshaw	Poolsbrook Primary
A Williams	Hollingwood Primary
D Allen	Hasland Hall Community School

## **Derbyshire Dales**

A Welch	Rowsley CE Primary School
S Hotchkiss	Marston Montgomery Primary School

## **High Peak**

I Porrez	St James' Primary School
G Butterworth	New Mills Nursery School
D Wotton	Thornsett Primary School
C Bisknell	Fairfield Endowed Junior School

## **North East**

D Shaw	Tupton Hall School
D Skinner	Tupton Hall School
R Watts	William Levick Primary School
J Moakes	Shirland Primary School
M Dore	Park House Primary School

## **South Derbyshire**

S Edwards	Linton Primary School
G Mansfield	Woodville Infant School
A Windsor	Newhall Infant & Nursery School
R Morley	Shardlow Primary School

## **Erewash**

P Hunt	Risley Lower Grammar CE Primary School
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### **3713 DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY FOR APPROVING APPOINTMENTS AND NOMINATIONS OF AUTHORITY AND LOCAL AUTHORITY GOVERNORS TO LOCAL AREA COMMITTEES**

Approval was sought to delegate the function of approving appointments and nominations of Authority and Local Authority governors to Local Area Committees.

The report related to Derbyshire maintained schools. It also related to academies who had decided to include a representative of the Local Authority on their governing body. The report did not apply to authority appointed members on Pupil Referral Unit management committees.

Authority for approving appointments and nominations currently lay with the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People. It was proposed to delegate this authority to Local Area Committees. The proposed Appointment and Nomination Process was appended to the Strategic Director's report.

Local Area Committees met quarterly. Therefore, there was a need for a process whereby Governors could be appointed, nominated or removed on an urgent basis.

The Governor Support Service would write to all Authority and Local Authority governors eligible to be considered for re-appointment or re-nomination 6 months before their term of office ends, rather than the current 3 month period to accommodate the proposed longer procedure.

A situation may arise where there was a request for urgent approval of an appointment or nomination. In such cases, the Cabinet Member for Children and Young People would consider the application or nomination and, where approved, this would be noted on the next report to the relevant Local Area Committee.

**RESOLVED** that the delegation of the function of approving appointments and nominations of Authority and Local Authority Governors to Local Area Committees be approved, with effect from 8 October 2013.

**38/13      APPOINTMENT OF A DERBYSHIRE SAFEGUARDING BOARD**  
**MANAGER** Approval was sought for the establishment of a Derbyshire Safeguarding Children Board Manager post and to commence the recruitment process.

Section 13 and 14 of the Children Act 2004 required each local authority to establish a Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB) for their areas and specify the organisations and individuals (other than the local authority) that should be represented on LSCBs.

The LSCB had a range of roles and statutory functions including developing local safeguarding policy and procedures and scrutinising local arrangements.

The proposed Ofsted Inspection Framework Inspection of Services for Children in Need of Help and Protection, Children Looked After and Care Leavers (2013), included the proposal to review the effectiveness of the LSCB.

This post was required to lead in working with the Derbyshire Safeguarding Children Board (DSCB) Independent Chair and the Head of Child Protection, in the development and implementation of the DSCB's role.

The post holder would be expected to work effectively with the DSCB Independent Chair and all partners to drive forward the DSCB's day to day business in achieving its agreed objectives, including co-ordinating, monitoring the Business Plan and managing communications.

This post would have line management responsibility for the Child Protection Manager (Development) and the Anti-Bullying Officer and would in turn be managed by the Head of Child Protection. A structure chart was appended to the Strategic Director's report.

**RESOLVED** to approve the establishment of a Derbyshire Safeguarding Children Board Manager post and to commence the recruitment process.

**39/13      PERFORMANCE REPORT ON LOCAL AUTHORITY SCHOOLS CAUSING CONCERN – 1 APRIL 2013 – 31 AUGUST 2013 RESOLVED** to note the report on the performance of Local Authority schools causing concern to the Local Authority in the period 1 April 2013 to 31 August 2013.

**40/13      APPOINTMENT OF ADDITIONAL GOVERNORS – NEWBOLD SCHOOL** (The Cabinet Member agreed to the consideration of this report as an urgent agenda item to avoid delay in the appointment of additional governors). The Strategic Director, Children and Younger Adults sought approval to appoint two additional governors to the Governing Body of Newbold Community School.

Newbold Community School was inspected by Ofsted on 14 May 2013. The inspection identified weaknesses, and issued a report stating that the school required Special Measures, under Section 13(1)(a) Education Act 2005. The School therefore became "eligible for intervention" within Part 4 of the Education and Inspections Act 2006.

On 18 June 2013 the Authority applied to the Secretary of State for consent to establish an Interim Executive Board for the School, as the Local Authority was empowered to do under Section 65 of the 2006 Act. This application had been rejected and the Secretary of State had indicated an intention to act under his own powers to establish an Interim Executive Board. An Ofsted Special Measures Monitoring Inspection took place on 19 September 2013, and Her Majesty's Inspector commented on the need for the Governing Body of Newbold School to be suitably supported during the period of uncertainty. The Inspector expressed the view that, if suitably supported, the existing governors had the potential to pick up the full responsibilities of governance. However, he reported that due to the delays in determining the

make-up of the proposed Interim Executive Board, the existing Governing Body had suffered from the uncertainties created by this situation and this had restricted the ability of the Governing Body to substantially reform itself and appoint new governors to existing vacancies.

Under Section 64 Education and Inspections Act 2006, a Local Authority had the power to appoint such number of additional governors as they think fit to a maintained school which is eligible for intervention.

In light of the Inspector's comments, the Authority is proposing to act swiftly to support the School by appointing strong and suitable additional governors, in accordance with its powers under Section 64 of the 2006 Act. The proposed additional governors were: Mr Peter Handford and Mr Alan Kelly.

**RESOLVED** to approve the appointment of Mr Peter Handford and Mr Alan Kelly as additional members of the Governing Body of Newbold Community School.

**41/13      EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC RESOLVED** that the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the remaining items on the agenda to avoid the disclosure of the kind of exempt information detailed in the following summary of proceedings:-

**SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS CONDUCTED AFTER THE PUBLIC WERE EXCLUDED FROM THE MEETING**

- (1) To confirm the exempt minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet Member – Children and Young People held on 3 September 2013.
- (2) To consider the report of the Strategic Director for Children and Younger Adults on Qualification – NC (contains information which is likely to reveal the identity of any individual).
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