

LA Governors Appointments Committee Agenda



10.45 am Wednesday, 13 November
2019
Committee Room No. 2 Town Hall
Darlington

Members of the Public are welcome to attend this Meeting.

1. Attendance at Meeting.
2. Declarations of Interest.
3. To approve the Minutes of the meeting of this Committee held on 4 November 2019 (Pages 1 - 2)
4. LA Governor Nominations to School Governing Bodies – Report of the Head of Education and Inclusions, Children, Families and Learning (Pages 3 - 8)
5. Supplementary Item(s) (if any) which in the opinion of the Chair of this Committee are of an urgent nature and can be discussed at this meeting.
6. Questions.

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Luke Swinhoe
Assistant Director Law and Governance

Tuesday, 5 November 2019

Town Hall
Darlington.

Membership

Councillors Crudass, Allen, Holroyd and Lucas

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LA GOVERNORS APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

Monday, 4 November 2019

PRESENT – Councillors Crudass (Chair), Allen and Lucas

APOLOGIES – Councillors Holroyd

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE – Jenny Dellipiani (NQT Induction Programme and Schools); Allison Hill (Democratic Support Officer)

LA6 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

Councillor Hilary Lucas declared a personal interest in Item LA7 below and took no part in the discussion thereon.

LA7 MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THIS COMMITTEE HELD ON 17 JULY 2019

Submitted – The Minutes (previously circulated) of the meeting of this Committee held on 17 July 2019.

RESOLVED – That the Minutes be approved as a correct record.

LA8 LA GOVERNOR NOMINATIONS TO SCHOOL GOVERNING BODIES

The Head of Education and Inclusions, Children and Families and Learning submitted a report (previously circulated) requesting that consideration be given to a recommendation on an application received to fill a vacancy for a Local Authority (LA) Governor on a School Governing Body.

The Panel were advised that the vacant position for the Governor at Red Hall Primary School had not been filled following the resignation of the previous LA Governor due to Purdah and therefore the process for seeking nominations for the vacancy could not be progress.

It was reported that following Purdah, an expression of interest was put forward by Councillor Lucas.

RESOLVED – That, subject to the Disclosure and Barring Checking process, the following appointment be made for a term of four years commencing on the date specified:

School	Number of vacancies	Appointed	Date of Appointment
Red Hall Primary	One vacancy due to resignation of previous LA Governor	Councillor Hilary Lucas	4 November 2019

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**LA GOVERNOR APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE
13 NOVEMBER 2019**

LA GOVERNOR NOMINATIONS TO SCHOOL GOVERNING BODIES

Purpose of Report

1. To consider a recommendation regarding an application received for the re-appointment of a Local Authority (LA) Governor of a school governing body.

For appointment

2. The term of office for the current LA Governor, Mr Eddy Robinson, expired on 05.11.19. The Clerk to the Governing Body has advised that the governing body wish to re-appoint Mr Robinson as an LA Governor for another term of office.
3. A completed application form is attached with this report and details of the vacancy are detailed below.

Governing Body / School and Vacancies	Reason for Vacancy	Name + Address of Applicant(s)	Recommendation	Status New appointment / Re-appointment
St John's CE Academy 1 Vacancy	The term of office for the current LA Governor, Mr Robinson expired on 05.11.19	Mr. Eddy Robinson 50 Woodcrest Road Darlington, DL3 8EE	Nominate to School	Re-appointment

For information

4. Local Authority governors are nominated by the local authority but appointed by the governing body. The local authority can nominate any person who is eligible to be a local authority governor, but it is for the governing body to decide whether the nominee has the skills required to contribute to the effective governance and success of the school and meets any other eligibility criteria they have set. Local authorities should therefore make every effort to understand the governing body's requirements and identify and nominate suitable candidates.

Recommendation

5. It is recommended that:-
Members are requested to note the above information and take it into account when nominating to the currently vacant position;

**Tony Murphy
Head of Education and Inclusion
Children, Families & Learning**

Background Papers

No background papers were used in the preparation of this report.

Helen Ellison
Head of Education Partnerships
Ext. 5886

Prospective Governor Application Form

Surname Robinson..... **Title** **Mr**

Forename(s) Edward George.....

Address 53 Woodcrest Road Darlington DL38EE.....

Email Address eddyrobinson@mtworld.com..... **Contact No.** ...07904886887.....

Occupation Retired..... **Employer**
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I would like to be considered for appointment as (please circle):

Community Governor Co-Opted Governor Authority Governor

at the following school/s (please specify which school/s you are interested in):

St John's CE Academy
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If you are serving or have served on a Governing Body please indicate below:

Governing Body

Dates from / to

Borough Road January 2007 to July 2016
St John's CE Academy May 2007 to present date....
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Further information (please explain here why you are interested in becoming a school governor – please note any skills, expertise, knowledge you have which you feel will be useful / details of any links or involvement you have with the local community).

IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT THIS SECTION IS COMPLETED

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Existing Director of St John's CE Academy for 10+ years
Previous Governor at Borough Road Nursery Darlington
Head Teacher with 18 years in role.
Safeguarding rep for St William's RC Parish

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Eligibility - circumstances in which a person will **NOT** be eligible to be a governor are given below. All governor appointments will be subject to satisfactory clearance following scrutiny of the list of people barred from working with children (DBS Barred List Check).

I confirm I am eligible to be a governor, have received and read the Code of Conduct for Authority Governors and agree to the check against the barred list being made.

SIGNED: ...E G Robinson..... DATE:5/11/2019.....

Return the completed form to the Governor Development Unit at the address shown at the top of the form or email governors@darlington.gov.uk

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- Eligibility - you will not be eligible if you:-
- a) are under 18 years of age;
 - b) are detained under the Mental Health Act 1983;
 - c) are bankrupt or disqualified under the Company Directors Disqualification Act or an order made under section 429(2)(b) of the Insolvency Act 1986 ;
 - d) have been removed from the office of a charity trustee or trustee for a charity by an order made by the Charity Commissioners or the High Court on the grounds of any misconduct or mismanagement or, under section 7 of the Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Act 1990, from being concerned in the management or control of anybody
 - e) are included in the list of teachers or workers prohibited or restricted from working with children or young persons;
 - f) have been disqualified from being an independent school proprietor, teacher or employee in any school by an Independent School Tribunal or by the Secretary of State;
 - g) have in the previous five years (or since becoming a governor) been sentenced to three months or more in prison (whether this was suspended or not) without the option of a fine;
 - h) have in the previous 20 years been sentenced to imprisonment for two and a half years or more;
 - i) have at any time been sentenced to imprisonment for five years or more;
 - j) have been fined for causing a nuisance or disturbance on school premises during the five years prior to, or since, appointment or election as a governor.
 - k) are subject to a disqualification order under the Criminal Justice and Court Services Act 2000

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