



**DARLINGTON**

Borough Council

# LA Governors Appointments Committee Agenda

9.00 am

Monday, 23 October 2023

Committee Room No. 2, Town Hall, Darlington DL1 5QT

**Members of the Public are welcome to attend and make representations at this Meeting.**

1. Attendance at Meeting.
2. Declarations of Interest.
3. Appointment of Vice Chair for the Municipal Year 2023/24
4. To approve the Minutes of the meeting of this Committee held on 4 April 2023 (Pages 3 - 4)
5. LA Governor Nominations to School Governing Bodies (Pages 5 - 6)  
  
Report of the Assistant Director of Education and Inclusion.
6. 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.
7. Questions.

**Luke Swinhoe**  
**Assistant Director Law and Governance**

**Friday, 13 October 2023**

**Town Hall**  
**Darlington.**

**Membership**

Councillors M Nicholson, Mrs Scott, Toms and Wallis

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## LA GOVERNORS APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

Tuesday, 4 April 2023

**PRESENT** – Councillors Clarke (Chair), Curry

**APOLOGIES** – Councillors Holroyd,

**ABSENT** – Councillors

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE** – Councillors

**OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE** – Jenny Dellipiani (Education Information Manager)

### LA6 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

There were no declarations of interest reported at the meeting

### LA7 **TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THIS COMMITTEE HELD ON 30TH NOVEMBER 2022**

Submitted – The Minutes (previously circulated) of the meeting of this Committee held on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022

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

### LA8 **LA GOVERNOR NOMINATIONS TO SCHOOL GOVERNING BODIES**

The Assistant Director of Education and Inclusion submitted a report (previously circulated) requesting that consideration be given to an application received for a new appointment of a Local Authority (LA) Governor of a school governing body.

The Panel were advised that the current LA Governor of Whinfield Primary School had been removed due to persistent non-attendance at meetings. Councillor Durham had expressed an interest in the role and had submitted an application for the Panel's consideration.

**RESOLVED** – That the appointment of Councillor Durham as the LA Governor at Whinfield Primary School be approved.

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**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2023**

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**Purpose of Report**

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

**For new appointment**

The Governing Body at Red Hall Primary currently has a vacancy for a LA governor. Councillor Porter has expressed an interest in the role and has submitted an application for the Panel's consideration.

<b>Governing Body / School and Vacancies</b>	<b>Reason for Vacancy</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Status New appointment / Re-appointment</b>
Red Hall Primary School Governing Body  1 vacancy	Governing Body decision	Councillor Porter	Nominate to Red Hall Primary School Governing Body	New appointment

**For information**

LA 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**

It is recommended that Members are requested to note the above information and take it into account when nominating to the LA governor position.

**Tony Murphy**  
**Assistant Director Education and Inclusion**  
**People Services**

**Background Papers**

No background papers were used in the preparation of this report.  
Helen Ellison, Head of Education Partnerships, ext. 5886

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