

# BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

## REPORT TO CABINET

30 JANUARY 2018

### REPORT BY THE INTERIM DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION AND FAMILY SUPPORT

#### APPOINTMENT OF LOCAL AUTHORITY GOVERNORS

##### 1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek approval from cabinet for the appointment of local authority (LA) governors to the school governing bodies listed in paragraphs 4.1 and 4.2.

##### 2. Connection to Corporate Improvement Plan/other corporate priority

- 2.1 The work of LA governors supports the raising of educational standards and the well-being of children, young people and their local communities. In particular, their work contributes to the following corporate priority:
- Supporting a successful economy.

##### 3. Background

- 3.1 In accordance with the Council's '*Guidance on the appointment of local education authority governors*' approved by Cabinet on the 14 October 2008, consideration has been given by officers of applications received for current and forthcoming vacancies of LA governors on governing bodies (see paragraphs 4.1 and 4.2, and Appendix A).

##### 4. Current situation/proposal

- 4.1 For the 12 schools below, the 15 applicants met the approved criteria for appointment as LA governors and there was no competition for any of the vacancies. Therefore, the recommended appointments are:

Mrs Pamela Davies	Bryntirion Infants School
Mrs Diane Tiltman	Coety Primary School
Ms Danisha Patel	Coleg Cymunedol Y Dderwen
Mr Ramsey Jamil	Coleg Cymunedol Y Dderwen
Community Cllr Neil Dewar	Cynffig Comprehensive School
Cllr Jane Gebbie	Mynydd Cynffig Primary School
Cllr David Owen	Ogmore Vale Primary School
Reverend Leonard Grabham	Pil Primary School
Cllr Jane Gebbie	Pil Primary School
Miss Helen Davies	Plasnewydd Primary School
Mr John Winkworth Bunker	Porthcawl Primary School
Mr Cynwyd Williams	Porthcawl Primary School
Mr Gareth Pope	Tondu Primary School

Cllr John Spanswick	Tremains Primary School
Mr Stephen Hiscocks	Ysgol Gymraeg Bro Ogwr

4.2 There was competition, however, for 5 vacancies at 4 schools. The officer panel scrutinised the applications received and recommended the following appointments:

NAME OF SCHOOL	APPLICANTS
Cefn Cribwr Primary School	Mr Kevin George Burnell Mr Geraint John Carpenter Mrs Trudy Carpenter
In line with the Council's selection criteria, it was agreed to recommend Mr. Kevin George Burnell due to him previously being a governor and his knowledge of the relevant phase of education.	

NAME OF SCHOOL	APPLICANTS
Ffaldau Primary School	Mr Clive J Callard-Sage Mr Ramsey Jamil
In line with the Council's selection criteria, it was agreed by the officer panel to recommend Mr Ramsey Jamil based on his greater experience and relevant knowledge of educational issues.	

NAME OF SCHOOL	APPLICANTS
Penybont Primary School	Cllr Ms Nicole Burnett Mr Andrew Dix
In line with the Council's selection criteria, it was agreed to recommend Cllr Ms Nicole Burnett based on her being a local ward member for any part of the school's catchment area.	

NAME OF SCHOOL	APPLICANTS
Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg Cwm Garw	Mr Clive J Callard-Sage Community Cllr Ryan Clatworthy Mr Ramsey Jamil Mrs Louvain Lake
In line with the Council's selection criteria, it was agreed to recommend community Cllr Ryan Clatworthy based on his knowledge and understanding of the role and functions of the LA. It was also agreed to recommend Mrs Louvain Lake due to her being a previous governor at the school and her attendance records at governing body meetings in the previous two years.	

4.3 Subject to the above appointments being approved, there are still 14 vacancies that need to be filled in 12 schools (see Appendix A).

## **5. Effect upon policy framework and procedure rules**

5.1 There is no effect upon the policy framework or procedure rules.

## **6. Equality Impact Assessment**

6.1 An assessment of the appointment of local authority governors shows that there are no equalities issues related to this report.

## **7. Financial implications**

7.1 There are no financial implications regarding this report.

## **8. Recommendation**

8.1 Cabinet is recommended to approve the appointments listed in paragraphs 4.1 and 4.2.

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### **Background documents**

- Bridgend County Borough Council's 'Guidance on the appointment of local education authority governors' that was approved by Cabinet on 14 October 2008
- The Government of Maintained Schools (Wales) Regulations 2005

## List of LA governor vacancies up until end of January 2018

Name of school	List of current and forthcoming vacancies
Abercerdin Primary School	1
Afon Y Felin Primary School	2
Caerau Primary School	1
Cefn Glas Infants School	1
Llangewydd Junior School	1
Llangynywd Primary School	2
Mynydd Cynffig Primary School	1
Pil Primary School	1 (from January)
Plasnewydd Primary School	1
Tremains Primary School	1
Ysgol Gymraeg Bro Ogwr	1
Ysgol Gyfun Gymraeg Llangynwyd	1
<b>Total vacancies</b>	<b>14</b>