

# BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

## REPORT TO CABINET

24 APRIL 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 governors to the school governing bodies listed at paragraphs 4.1 and 4.2.

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

- 2.1 The work of local authority governors supports the raising of educational standards and the wellbeing 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 14 October 2008, officers have considered applications received for current and forthcoming vacancies for local authority governor positions on school governing bodies (see paragraphs 4.1, 4.2, and Appendix A).

##### 4. Current situation/proposal

- 4.1 For the six schools below, all five applicants met the approved criteria for appointment as local authority governors and there was no competition for any of the vacancies. Therefore, the recommended appointments are:

Cllr Hywel Williams	Abercerdin Primary School
Mrs Cleone Westwood	Bryntirion Comprehensive School
Mr Mal Reeves	Garth Primary School
Mr Andrew Dix	Llangewydd Junior School
Mrs Andrea Jones	Mynydd Cynffig Primary School
Mr Andrew Dix	Tremains Primary School

- 4.2 There was competition, however, for one vacancy at three schools. The officer panel scrutinised the applications received and recommends the following appointments:

NAME OF SCHOOL	APPLICANTS
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Brackla Primary School	Mr Phillip Hayter Mr Andrew Dix
In accordance with the Council's selection criteria, it was agreed to recommend Mr Phillip Hayter due to his current experience as a governor.	

NAME OF SCHOOL	APPLICANTS
Litchard Primary School	Ms Claire Laidler Miss Sadie Vidal
In accordance with the Council's selection criteria, the officer panel determined that both applicants possess appropriate skills and/or experience. The panel recommends the appointment of Miss Sadie Vidal as she meets the first tiebreaker criterion - 'local ward member for any part of the school's catchment area'.	

NAME OF SCHOOL	APPLICANTS
Pen y Fai Church in Wales Primary School	Mrs Kate Gapper Cllr Altaf Hussain
In accordance with the Council's selection criteria, the officer panel determined that both applicants possess appropriate skills and/or experience. The panel recommends the appointment of Cllr Altaf Hussain as he meets the first tiebreaker criterion - 'local ward member for any part of the school's catchment area'.	

4.3 Subject to the above appointments being approved, there are still 16 vacancies that need to be filled in 13 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 at 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', approved by Cabinet on 14 October 2008.
- The Government of Maintained Schools (Wales) Regulations 2005.

## List of local authority governor vacancies as at 31 May 2018

NAME OF SCHOOL	List of current and forthcoming vacancies
BRYNTIRION COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL	1
YSGOL GYFUN GYMRAEG LLANGYNWYD	1
ABERCERDIN PRIMARY SCHOOL	1
AFON Y FELIN PRIMARY SCHOOL	2
CAERAU PRIMARY SCHOOL	1
CEFN GLAS INFANTS SCHOOL	1
LLANGYNYWD PRIMARY SCHOOL	2
NOTTAGE PRIMARY SCHOOL	1
PLASNEWYDD PRIMARY SCHOOL	2
ST MARY'S PRIMARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL	1
TYNYRHEOL PRIMARY SCHOOL	1
WEST PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL	1
YSGOL GYMRAEG BRO OGWR	1
<b>TOTAL VACANCIES</b>	<b>16</b>