

NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Education, Skills and Culture Cabinet Board

(SPECIAL)

18th December 2019

Report of the Head of Transformation – Andrew Thomas

Matter for Decision

APPOINTMENT AND REMOVAL OF LA GOVERNOR
REPRESENTATIVES

Wards Affected:

Aberavon, Aberdulais, Allt-Wen, Cadoxton, Coedffranc Central,
Coedffranc West, Crynant, Godre'rgraig, Gwaun Cae Gurwen, Margam,
Neath East, Neath North, Pontardawe, Resolven, Rhos, Sandfields East,
Sandfields West, Tonna.

Purpose of the Report

To appoint LA governor representatives to existing vacancies and
vacancies that will arise up to and including the end of the Spring Term
2019/20.

Background

Governing bodies are made up of various categories of governor under existing legislation of The Government of Maintained Schools (Wales) Regulations 2005. One of those categories is LA governor representative. This Authority has determined that appointments and removals of LA governor representatives will be made by the Education, Skills and Culture (Special) Cabinet Board.

Criteria for appointing and removing LA Governor Representatives

The Cabinet Board shall apply the following criteria in the priority set out below when considering appointments:

- a) Elected members representing wards in the catchment area of the relevant school or pupil referral unit.
- b) Other elected members of the LA.
- c) Persons who, in the opinion of the panel, would contribute to the well-being of the school or pupil referral unit.

In each of the above categories, where there are more candidates than vacancies, LA governor representatives shall be appointed on the basis of who, in the opinion of the Cabinet Board, will make the most significant contribution to the management of the relevant school or pupil referral unit.

The Cabinet Board shall apply the following criteria when considering removals.

Where there is an oversubscription of LA governor representatives on the governing body of the relevant school, or pupil referral unit, then the Board will replace one of the current LA governor representatives with the newly elected member.

Priority for replacement will be: any former elected member(s) having lost or resigned their ward seat; followed by the shortest time served LA governor representative on that particular governing body.

The Cabinet Board shall take the steps necessary to remove LA governor representatives where, in the opinion of Cabinet Board, there is good reason.

Financial Impact

No implications.

Integrated Impact Assessment:

A first stage impact assessment has been undertaken to assist the Council in discharging its legislative duties (under the Equality Act 2010, the Welsh Language Standards (no.1) Regulations 2015, the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 and the Environment (Wales) Act 2016).

The first stage assessment has indicated that a more in-depth assessment is not required. A summary is included below.

This report focusses solely on the appointment and removal of LA governors to schools.

Valleys Communities Impacts:

No implications.

Workforce Impacts

No implications.

Legal Impacts

The recommendations contained within this report are in accordance with the Council's obligations set out in The Government of Maintained Schools (Wales) Regulations 2005.

Risk Management Impacts:

Failure to appoint sufficient numbers of governors is likely to impede the operation and efficiency of the governing body.

Consultation

There is no requirement under the Constitution for external consultation on this item. Internal consultation regarding nominations of the LA governor representatives has, though, been undertaken with the respective Ward Members.

Recommendations

That, in line with approved policy, LA governor representatives be appointed to the existing and forthcoming vacancies set out in the attached appendix.

Reasons for Proposed Decision

To enable the Authority to contribute to effective school governance through representation on school governing bodies.

Implementation of Decision

The decision is proposed for implementation after the three day call in period.

Appendices:

1. Details of the vacancies to be filled are set out in the appendix to this report.

List of Background Papers

Education, Leisure and Lifelong Learning Policy in relation to the appointment and removal of LA governor representatives.

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LA Governor Representatives
Summary of Vacancies 18th December 2019

School	Date of Vacancy	Proposal
Alderman Davies Primary	Immediate	Appoint Mr. Wayne Curtis
Alltwn Primary	01/01/2020	Re-appoint Miss Helen Watkins
Awel Y Mor Primary	Immediate	Future appointment to be made
Catwg Primary	Immediate	Members to determine
Cilffriw Primary	01/04/2020	Re-appoint Mr Andrew Richards
Coedffranc Primary	Immediate	Future appointment to be made
Coed Hirwaun Primary	01/01/2020	Re-appoint Cllr. Rob Jones
Creunant Primary	01/04/2020	Re-appoint Mrs Margaret Diane Davies
Crymlyn Primary	Immediate	Future appointment to be made
Cwmtawe Community School	Immediate	Appoint Mr William Thomas
Gnoll Primary School	Immediate	Future appointment to be made
Godre'rgraig Primary	Immediate	Future appointment to be made
	Immediate	Future appointment to be made
Llangatwg Community School	Immediate	Future appointment to be made
Rhos Primary	Immediate	Future appointment to be made
Sandfields Primary	Immediate	Remove Mrs. Victoria Griffiths and appoint Mrs Susan Hann
	Immediate	Appoint Mr Ryan Macalino
St Joseph's Catholic Infant	Immediate	Appoint Mrs Helen Brennan
Tonnau Primary	01/09/2019	Future appointment to be made
Tywyn Primary	01/01/2020	Re-appoint Mr W John O'Dwyer
YGG Gwaun Cae Gurwen	01/04/2020	Re-appoint Mrs Lucy Harrison
YGG Pontardawe	Immediate	Future appointment to be made
YGG Rhosafan	01/01/2020	Re-appoint Mrs Cathryn Davies
Ynysfach Primary	Immediate	Appoint Mrs. Catherine Chappell
Ysgol Bae Baglan	Immediate	Appoint Mr. Sam Greasley
Ysgol Gymraeg Ystalyfera – Bro Dur	immediate	Future appointment to be made

ALDERMAN DAVIES CHURCH IN WALES PRIMARY SCHOOL

Current LA Representatives
Vacancy

Term of office ends
N/A

Recommendation
Appoint Mr. Wayne Curtis

Local Member

Cllr. Alan Lockyer
Cllr. Mark Protheroe

Ward

Neath North
Neath North

School 1

Gnoll Primary
Cefn Saeson Comprehensive

School 2

YGG Castell Nedd
Melin Primary

Other Information

- i) An application has been received from Mr. Wayne Curtis, who wishes to be considered for appointment.

ALLTWEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Current LA Representatives

Miss. Helen Watkins

Cllr. Christopher Jones

Mr. Stephen Jenkins

Term of office ends

31/12/2019

31/08/2021

31/08/2023

Recommendation

Re-appoint Miss Helen Watkins

N/A

N/A

Local Member

Cllr. Christopher Jones

Ward

Allt-wen

School 1

Alltwn Primary

School 2

Other Information

- i) An application has been received from Miss. Helen Watkins, who wishes to be considered for re-appointment.

AWEL Y MOR PRIMARY SCHOOL (Deferred from last panel)

Current LA Representatives	Term of office ends	Recommendation
<i>Vacancy</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>Future appointment to be made</i>
Cllr. Sean Pursey	31/08/2021	N/A
Cllr. Matthew Crowley	31/12/2022	N/A

Local Member	Ward	School 1	School 2
Cllr. Matthew Crowley	Sandfields East	Awel Y Mor Primary	Tywyn Primary
Cllr. Edward V Latham	Sandfields East	Tywyn Primary	Ysgol Bae Baglan
Cllr. Sean Pursey	Sandfields East	Awel Y Mor Primary	-

Other Information

- i) To date, no nomination/application has been received for this vacancy

CATWG PRIMARY SCHOOL (Deferred from last panel)

Current LA Representatives	Term of office ends	Recommendation
<i>Vacancy</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>Members to determine</i>
Mrs Reanne Lee	31/08/2020	N/A
Mrs Gaynor Murphy	31/12/2022	N/A

Local Member	Ward	School 1	School 2
Cllr. Mrs Annette Wingrave	Cadoxton	-	-

Other Information

- i) Applications have been received from Mrs. Susan Davies and Mrs. Lisa Wilcox, who wish to be considered for appointment.

CILFFRIW PRIMARY SCHOOL

Current LA Representatives

Mr. Andrew Richards

Cllr. Doreen Jones

Mrs. Arlene Harvey

Term of office ends

31/03/2020

31/8/2020

04/07/2020

Recommendation

Re-appoint Mr Andrew Richards

N/A

N/A

Local Member

Cllr. Doreen Jones

Ward

Aberdulais

School 1

Cilffriw Primary

School 2

Llangatwg Community School

Other Information

i) An application has been received from Mr. Andrew Richards, who wishes to be considered for re-appointment.

COEDFFRANC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Current LA Representatives	Term of office ends	Recommendation
Vacancy	N/A	Future appointment to be made
Cllr. Arthur P H Davies	31/12/2022	N/A
Mrs Debbie Harvey	31/08/2022	N/A
Mr Stephen James	31/12/2022	N/A

Local Member	Ward	School 1	School 2
Cllr. Angharad Aubrey	Coedffranc Central	-	-
Cllr. Arthur P H Davies	Coedffranc Central	Coedffranc Primary	-

Other Information

- i) To date, no nomination/application has been received for this vacancy

COED HIRWAUN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Current LA Representatives

Cllr. Rob Jones

Mrs. Beverley Bolton

Mr. Kenneth Robbins

Term of office ends

31/12/2019

30/04/2023

30/04/2023

Recommendation

Re-appoint Cllr. Rob Jones

N/A

N/A

Local Member

Cllr. Rob Jones

Ward

Margam

School 1

Coed Hirwaun

School 2

Ysgol Cwm Brombil

Other Information

- i) An application has been received from Cllr. Rob Jones, who wishes to be considered for re-appointment.

CREUNANT PRIMARY SCHOOL

Current LA Representatives

Mrs. Margaret Diane Davies

Cllr. Sian Harris

Mrs. Sarah Griffiths

Term of office ends

31/03/2020

31/08/2021

31/03/2021

Recommendation

Re-appoint Mrs. Margaret Diane Davies

N/A

N/A

Local Member

Cllr. Sian Harris

Ward

Crynant

School 1

Creunant Primary

School 2

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Other Information

- i) An application has been received from Mrs. Margaret Diane Davies, who wishes to be considered for re-appointment.

CRYMLYN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Current LA Representatives

Vacancy

Mr. Howard Davies

Term of office ends

N/A

31/08/2023

Recommendation

Future appointment to be made

N/A

Local Member

Cllr. Helen Ceri Clarke

Ward

Coedffranc West

School 1

YGG Tyle'r Ynn

School 2

Ysgol Gymraeg Ystalyfera Bro Dur

Other Information

i) To date, no nomination/application has been received for this vacancy

CWMTAWE COMMUNITY SCHOOL (Deferred from last panel)

Current LA Representatives	Term of office ends	Recommendation
Vacancy	N/A	Appoint Mr William Thomas
Cllr. Linet Purcell	31/08/2020	N/A
Mrs. Julie Mallinson	31/08/2020	N/A
Ms. Susanne Lewis	31/12/2020	N/A
Mr. Vivian Thomas	31/12/2021	N/A

Local Member	Ward	School 1	School 2
Cllr. Linet Purcell	Pontardawe	Cwmtawe	Rhydyfro Primary
Cllr. Anthony Richards	Pontardawe	-	-

Other Information

- i) An application has been received from Mr William Thomas, who wishes to be considered for appointment.

GNOLL PRIMARY SCHOOL (Deferred from last panel)

Current LA Representatives	Term of office ends	Recommendation
<i>Vacancy</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>Future appointment to be made</i>
Cllr Alan Lockyer	31/08/2020	N/A
Mr. Andrew Jenkins	31/03/2021	N/A
Mrs. Linda Rees	30/04/2023	N/A

Local Member	Ward	School 1	School 2
Cllr. John Miller	Neath East	Melin Primary	YGG Castell Nedd
Cllr. Sandra Miller	Neath East	Melin Primary	-
Cllr. Sheila Penry	Neath East	Cefn Saeson	Melin Primary

Other Information

- i) To date, no nomination/application has been received for this vacancy

GODRE'RGRAIG PRIMARY SCHOOL

Current LA Representatives

Vacancy

Vacancy

Cllr. Rosalyn Davies

Term of office ends

N/A

N/A

31/08/2020

Recommendation

Future appointment to be made

Future appointment to be made

N/A

Local Member

Cllr. Rosalyn Davies

Ward

Godre'rgraig

School 1

Godre'rgraig Primary

School 2

Ysgol Gymraeg Ystalyfera – Bro Dur

Other Information

i) To date, no nomination/application has been received for these vacancies

LLANGATWG COMMUNITY SCHOOL (Deferred from last panel)

Current LA Representatives	Term of office ends	Recommendation
<i>Vacancy</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>Future appointment to be made</i>
Cllr. Doreen Jones	31/08/2020	N/A
Cllr. Dean Cawsey	31/08/2023	N/A
Mr. Thomas Aylwin Jones	31/08/2020	N/A
Mr Leighton Veale	30/04/2022	N/A

Local Member	Ward	School 1	School 2
Cllr. Annette Wingrave	Cadoxton	-	-

Other Information

- i) To date, no nomination/application has been received for this vacancy

RHOS PRIMARY SCHOOL (Deferred from last panel)

Current LA Representatives	Term of office ends	Recommendation
<i>Vacancy</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>Future appointment to be made</i>
Mr. Alex L Thomas	31/08/2020	N/A
Mrs. Sharon Atkins	30/04/2022	N/A

Local Member	Ward	School 1	School 2
Cllr. Marcia Spooner	Rhos	Rhos Primary	-

Other Information

- i) To date, no nomination/application has been received for this vacancy.

SANDFIELDS PRIMARY SCHOOL (Deferred from last panel)

Current LA Representatives	Term of office ends	Recommendation
<i>Vacancy</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>Appoint Mr. Ryan Macalino</i>
Mrs. Victoria Griffiths	31/03/2023	Remove Mrs. Victoria Griffiths & appoint Mrs Susan Hann
Mrs. Suzanne Amos	31/12/2022	N/A
Mrs. Susan Harvey	30/04/2023	N/A

Local Member	Ward	School 1	School 2
Cllr Scott Bamsey	Aberavon	St Joseph's RC School & 6th Form	-
Cllr Steffan ap Dafydd	Aberavon	St Joseph's RC School & 6th Form	Ysgol Bae Baglan
Cllr Nigel T. Hunt	Aberavon	YGG Rhosafan	

Other Information

- i) An application has been received from Mr. Ryan Macalino, who wishes to be considered for appointment.
- ii) Remove Mrs. Victoria Griffiths.
- iii) An application has been received from Mrs. Susan Hann, who wishes to be considered for appointment.

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC INFANT SCHOOL (Deferred from last panel)

Current LA Representatives
Vacancy

Term of office ends
N/A

Recommendation
Appoint Mrs Helen Brennan

Local Member

Cllr. Scott Bamsey
Cllr. Steffan ap Dafydd
Cllr. Nigel T. Hunt

Ward

Aberavon
Aberavon
Aberavon

School 1

St Joseph's RC School & 6th Form
St Joseph's RC School & 6th Form
YGG Rhosafan

School 2

-
Ysgol Bae Baglan
-

Other Information

- i) An application has been received from Mrs Helen Brennan, who wishes to be considered for appointment.

TONNAU PRIMARY SCHOOL (Deferred from last panel)

Current LA Representatives

Vacancy

Cllr. Leanne Jones

Mr. Robert Miller

Term of office ends

N/A

31/08/2021

31/03/2023

Recommendation

Future appointment to be made

N/A

N/A

Local Member

Cllr. Leanne Jones

Ward

Tonna

School 1

Melin Primary

School 2

Tonna Primary

Other Information

- i) To date no nomination/application has been received for this vacancy.

TYWYN PRIMARY SCHOOL

Current LA Representatives	Term of office ends	Recommendation
Mr. William (John) O'Dwyer	31/12/2019	Re-appoint Mr William (John) O'Dwyer
Cllr. E V Latham	31/03/2021	N/A
Cllr. Matthew Crowley	31/12/2022	N/A
Mrs. Hannah (Mair) Evans	31/08/2023	N/A

Local Member	Ward	School 1	School 2
Cllr. Matthew Crowley	Sandfields East	Awel Y Mor Primary	Tywyn Primary
Cllr. Edward V Latham	Sandfields East	Tywyn Primary	Ysgol Bae Baglan
Cllr. Sean Pursey	Sandfields East	Awel Y Mor Primary	-

Other Information

- i) An application has been received from Mr William (John) O'Dwyer, who wishes to be considered for re-appointment.

YGG GWAUN CAE GURWEN

Current LA Representatives

Mrs. Lucy Harrison
Cllr. Sonia Reynolds
Mrs. Joan Slaymaker

Term of office ends

31/03/2020
31/08/2021
31/12/2020

Recommendation

Re-appoint Mrs Lucy Harrison
N/A
N/A

Local Member

Cllr. Sonia Reynolds

Ward

Gwaun Cae Gurwen

School 1

YGG Gwaun Cae Gurwen

School 2

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Other Information

- i) An application has been received from Mrs Lucy Harrison, who wishes to be considered for re-appointment

YGG PONTARDAWE

Current LA Representatives	Term of office ends	Recommendation
Vacancy	N/A	<i>Future appointment to be made</i>
Mr David Williams	31/08/2020	N/A
Ms. Bethan Gill	31/12/2021	N/A
Mrs. Sarah Gray	31/08/2023	N/A

Local Member	Ward	School 1	School 2
Cllr. Linet Purcell	Pontardawe	Cwmtawe Comprehensive	Rhydyfro Primary
Cllr. Anthony Richards	Pontardawe	-	-

Other Information

- i) To date, no nomination/application has been received for this vacancy

YGG RHOSAFAN

Current LA Representatives	Term of office ends	Recommendation
<i>Mrs Cathryn Davies</i>	<i>31/12/2019</i>	<i>Re-appoint Mrs Cathryn Davies</i>
Cllr. Nigel Hunt	31/08/2021	N/A
Rev. Rhun Ap Robert	31/08/2022	N/A
Ms. Anna Phillips	31/12/2022	N/A

Local Member	Ward	School 1	School 2
Cllr. Oliver Davies	Sandfields West	Ysgol Bae Baglan	-
Cllr. Suzanne Paddison	Sandfields West	-	-
Cllr. Robert Wood	Sandfields West	Ysgol Bae Baglan	-

Other Information

- i) An application has been received from Mrs Cathryn Davies, who wishes to be considered for re-appointment.

YNYSFACH PRIMARY SCHOOL (Deferred from last panel)

Current LA Representatives

Vacancy

Mr Thomas Aylwin Jones

Mrs Gloria Felton

Term of office ends

N/A

31/08/2020

31/03/2021

Recommendation

Appoint Mrs. Catherine Chappell

N/A

N/A

Local Member

Cllr. Dean Lewis

Ward

Resolven

School 1

-

School 2

-

Other Information

- i) An application has been received from Mrs. Catherine Chappell, who wishes to be considered for appointment.

YSGOL BAE BAGLAN (Deferred from last panel)

Current LA Representatives	Term of office ends	Recommendation
<i>Vacancy</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>Appoint Mr. Sam Greasley</i>
Cllr. E. V Latham	31/10/2020	N/A
Cllr. Chris James	31/08/2021	N/A
Cllr. Oliver Davies	31/08/2021	N/A
Cllr. Steffan AP Dafydd	31/08/2021	N/A

Local Member	Ward	School 1	School 2
Cllr. Oliver Davies	Sandfields West	Ysgol Bae Baglan	
Cllr. Suzanne Paddison	Sandfields West	-	
Cllr. Robert Wood	Sandfields West	Ysgol Bae Baglan	

Other Information

- i) An application has been received from Mr. Sam Greasley, who wishes to be considered for appointment

YSGOL GYMRAEG YSTALYFERA – BRO DUR

Current LA Representatives	Term of office ends	Recommendation
<i>Vacancy</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>Future appointment to be made</i>
Cllr. Alun Llewelyn	08/11/2021	N/A
Cllr. Helen Clarke	08/11/2021	N/A
Cllr. Rosalyn Davies	08/11/2021	N/A
Mr. Tudor Jones	31/03/2023	N/A

Local Member	Ward	School 1	School 2
Cllr. Alun Llewellyn	Ystalyfera	Ysgol Gymraeg Ystalyfera Bro Dur	-
Cllr. Oliver Davies	Sandfields West	Ysgol Bae Baglan	-
Cllr. Suzanne Paddison	Sandfields West	-	-
Cllr. Robert Wood	Sandfields West	Ysgol Bae Baglan	-

Other Information

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