

# **NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

## **Education, Skills and Culture Cabinet Board**

22 JULY 2021

### **Report of the Head of Participation – Chris Millis**

#### **Matter for Decision**

APPOINTMENT AND REMOVAL OF LA GOVERNOR  
REPRESENTATIVES

#### **Wards Affected:**

Aberavon, Allt-wen, Baglan, Bryn & Cwmavon, Cimla, Coedffranc Central, Crynant, Dyffryn, Glynneath, Gwaun Cae Gurwen, Neath East, Neath South, Onllwyn, Pontardawe, Sandfields West, Taibach, Tonna, Trebanos, Ystalyfera.

#### **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 Autumn Term 2021/22.

#### **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 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2021**

<b>School</b>	<b>Date of Vacancy</b>	<b>Proposal</b>
Abbey Primary School	01/09/2021	Re-appoint Victor James
Alltwen Primary School	01/09/2021	Re-appoint Cllr. Christopher Jones
Baglan Primary School	01/09/2021	Re-appoint Cllr. Susanne Renkes
Blaenbaglan Primary School	01/09/2021	Re-appoint Cllr. Susanne Renkes
Cefn Saeson Comprehensive	01/09/2021	Members to determine
Coedffranc Primary School	Immediate	Future appointment to be made
Creunant Primary School	Immediate 01/09/2021	Future appointment to be made Re-appoint Cllr. Sian Harris
Crynallt Primary School	01/09/2021 01/09/2021 01/09/2021	Re-appoint Cllr. Peter Rees Re-appoint Cllr. John Warman Re-appoint Cllr. Adam McGrath
Cwmafan Primary School	Immediate 01/09/2021	Future appointment to be made Re-appoint Cllr. Rhidian Mizen
Eastern Primary School	01/09/2021	Re-appoint Cllr. Rachel Taylor
Gnoll Primary School	Immediate	Future appointment to be made
Maesmarchog Primary School	01/09/2021	Re-appoint Cllr. Dean Cawsey
Sandfields Primary School	Immediate	Future appointment to be made
St. Joseph's Junior School	Immediate	Future appointment to be made
St. Joseph's Primary School	Immediate	Future appointment to be made
St. Joseph's RC School & 6 <sup>th</sup> Form Centre	Immediate 01/09/2021	Appoint Cllr. Stephanie Lynch Re-appoint Cllr. Scott Bamsey
Tonnau Primary School	Immediate 01/09/2021	Future appointment to be made Future appointment to be made
YGG Cwm Nedd	01/09/2021	Re-appoint Cllr. Simon Knoyle
YGG Gwaun Cae Gurwen	01/09/2021	Re-appoint Cllr. Sonia Reynolds
YGG Pontardawe	Immediate	Future appointment to be made
YGG Trebannws	Immediate	Appoint Mrs. Laura Santiago
Ysgol Bae Baglan	Immediate Immediate 01/09/2021	Future appointment to be made Future appointment to be made Re-appoint Cllr. Oliver Davies
Ysgol Gymraeg Ystalyfera – Bro Dur	09/11/2021 09/11/2021 09/11/2021	Re-appoint Cllr. Helen Ceri Clarke Re-appoint Cllr. Alun Llewelyn Re-appoint Cllr. Rosalyn Davies
Ysgol Hendrefelin	01/09/2021	Re-appoint Mrs. A Pauline MacPherson Jones

## ABBAY PRIMARY SCHOOL

### Current LA Representatives

*Mr. Victor James*

Cllr. Mike Harvey

Cllr. David Martyn Peters

### Term of office ends

*31/08/2021*

31/08/2023

31/08/2023

### Recommendation

*Re-appoint Mr. Victor James*

N/A

N/A

### Local Member

Cllr. David Martyn Peters

### Ward

Dyffryn

### School 1

Abbey Primary

### School 2

### Other Information

- i) An application has been received from Mr. Victor James who wishes to be considered for re-appointment.

## ALLTWEN PRIMARY SCHOOL

### Current LA Representatives

*Cllr. Christopher Jones*

Mr. Stephen Jenkins

Miss. Helen Watkins

### Term of office ends

*31/08/2021*

31/08/2023

31/12/2023

### Recommendation

*Re-appoint Cllr. Christopher Jones*

N/A

N/A

### Local Member

Cllr. Christopher Jones

### Ward

Allt-wen

### School 1

Alltwen Primary

### School 2

### Other Information

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

## BAGLAN PRIMARY SCHOOL

### Current LA Representatives

*Cllr. Susanne Renkes*

Cllr. Carol Clement-Williams

Cllr. Peter Richards

### Term of office ends

*31/08/2021*

31/08/2024

31/08/2024

### Recommendation

*Re-appoint Cllr. Susanne Renkes*

N/A

N/A

### Local Member

Cllr. Carol Clement-Williams

Cllr. Susanne Renkes

Cllr. Peter Richards

### Ward

Baglan

Baglan

Baglan

### School 1

Baglan Primary

Baglan Primary

Baglan Primary

### School 2

Blaenbaglan Primary

Blaenbaglan Primary

### Other Information

- i) An application has been received from Cllr. Susanne Renkes who wishes to be considered for re-appointment.



## BLAENBAGLAN PRIMARY SCHOOL

### Current LA Representatives

*Cllr. Susanne Renkes*  
Cllr. Peter Richards  
Mr. Ian Rees

### Term of office ends

*31/08/2021*  
31/08/2024  
31/12/2021

### Recommendation

*Re-appoint Cllr. Susanne Renkes*  
N/A  
N/A

### Local Member

Cllr. Carol Clement-Williams  
Cllr. Susanne Renkes  
Cllr. Peter Richards

### Ward

Baglan  
Baglan  
Baglan

### School 1

Baglan Primary  
Baglan Primary  
Baglan Primary

### School 2

-  
Blaenbaglan Primary  
Blaenbaglan Primary

### Other Information

- i) An application has been received from Cllr. Susanne Renkes who wishes to be considered for re-appointment

## CEFN SAESON COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL

<b>Current LA Representatives</b>	<b>Term of office ends</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
<i>Cllr. Adam McGrath</i>	<i>31/08/2021</i>	<i>Members to determine</i>
Cllr. Mark Protheroe	04/03/2022	N/A
Cllr. Sheila Penry	31/08/2024	N/A
Cllr. Peter Rees	31/08/2024	N/A
Cllr. John Warman	31/08/2024	N/A

<b>Local Member</b>	<b>Ward</b>	<b>School 1</b>	<b>School 2</b>
Cllr. Adam McGrath	Cimla	Cefn Saeson Comprehensive	Crynallt Primary
Cllr. John Warman	Cimla	Cefn Saeson Comprehensive	Crynallt Primary

### **Other Information**

i) Applications have been received from Cllr. Adam McGrath who wishes to be considered for re-appointment and Cllr. Leanne Jones who wishes to be considered for appointment.

## COEDFFRANC PRIMARY SCHOOL (Deferred from previous panel)

<b>Current LA Representatives</b>	<b>Term of office ends</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
<i>Vacancy</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>Future appointment to be made</i>
Cllr. Arthur P H Davies	31/12/2022	N/A
Mr Stephen James	31/12/2022	N/A
Mr. Andrew Addis-Fuller	10/01/2025	N/A

<b>Local Member</b>	<b>Ward</b>	<b>School 1</b>	<b>School 2</b>
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

## CREUNANT PRIMARY SCHOOL

### Current LA Representatives

*Vacancy*

*Cllr. Sian Harris*

Mrs. Margaret Davies

### Term of office ends

*N/A*

*31/08/2021*

31/03/2024

### Recommendation

*Future appointment to be made*

*Re-appoint Cllr. Sian Harris*

N/A

### Local Member

Cllr. Sian Harris

### Ward

Crynant

### School 1

Creunant Primary

### School 2

### Other Information

- i) To date, no nomination/application has been received for this vacancy
- ii) An application has been received from Cllr. Sian Harris who wishes to be considered for re-appointment

## CRYNALLT PRIMARY SCHOOL

### Current LA Representatives

*Cllr. Adam McGrath*

*Cllr. Peter Rees*

*Cllr. John Warman*

### Term of office ends

*31/08/2021*

*31/08/2021*

*31/08/2021*

### Recommendation

*Re-appoint Cllr. Adam McGrath*

*Re-appoint Cllr. Peter Rees*

*Re-appoint Cllr. John Warman*

### Local Member

Cllr. Adam McGrath

Cllr. John Warman

### Ward

Cimla

Cimla

### School 1

Cefn Saeson Comprehensive

Cefn Saeson Comprehensive

### School 2

Crynallt Primary

Crynallt Primary

### Other Information

i) Applications have been received from Cllr. Adam McGrath, Cllr. Peter Rees & Cllr. John Warman who wish to be considered for re-appointment.

## CWMAFAN PRIMARY SCHOOL

### Current LA Representatives

*Vacancy*

*Cllr. Rhidian Mizen*

Mrs. Anne Marie Curtis

### Term of office ends

*N/A*

*31/08/2021*

31/01/2023

### Recommendation

*Future appointment to be made*

*Re-appoint Cllr. Rhidian Mizen*

N/A

### Local Member

Cllr. Charlotte Galsworthy

Cllr. Rhidian Mizen

Cllr. David Whitelock

### Ward

Bryn & Cwmavon

Bryn & Cwmavon

Bryn & Cwmavon

### School 1

-

Cwmafan Primary

Ysgol Cwm Brombil

### School 2

-

Ysgol Cwm Brombil

-

### Other Information

- i) An application has been received from Cllr. Rhidian Mizen who wishes to be considered for re-appointment.

## EASTERN PRIMARY SCHOOL

### Current LA Representatives

*Cllr. Rachel Taylor*  
Cllr. Anthony Taylor  
Mr. Kenneth Tucker

### Term of office ends

*31/08/2021*  
31/08/2022  
31/03/2023

### Recommendation

*Re-appoint Cllr. Rachel Taylor*  
N/A  
N/A

### Local Member

Cllr. Rachel Taylor  
Cllr. Anthony Taylor

### Ward

Taibach  
Taibach

### School 1

Eastern Primary  
Eastern Primary

### School 2

Ysgol Cwm Brombil  
-

### Other Information

- i) An application has been received from Cllr. Rachel Taylor who wishes to be considered for re-appointment.

## GNOLL PRIMARY SCHOOL (Deferred from last panel)

<b>Current LA Representatives</b>	<b>Term of office ends</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
<i>Vacancy</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>Future appointment to be made</i>
Cllr Alan Lockyer	31/08/2024	N/A
Cllr. Sandra Miller	10/01/2025	N/A
Mrs. Linda Rees	30/04/2023	N/A

<b>Local Member</b>	<b>Ward</b>	<b>School 1</b>	<b>School 2</b>
Cllr. John Miller	Neath East	Melin Primary	YGG Castell Nedd
Cllr. Sandra Miller	Neath East	Gnoll Primary	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.



## MAESMARCHOG COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL

### Current LA Representatives

*Cllr. Dean Cawsey*  
Mr. Wayne Hopkins

### Term of office ends

*31/08/2021*  
31/12/2022

### Recommendation

*Re-appoint Cllr. Dean Cawsey*  
N/A

### Local Member

Cllr. Dean Cawsey

### Ward

Onllwyn

### School 1

Llangatwg Community School

### School 2

Maesmarchog Primary

### Other Information

i) An application has been received from Cllr. Dean Cawsey who wishes to be considered for re-appointment.

## SANDFIELDS PRIMARY SCHOOL (Deferred from last panel)

<b>Current LA Representatives</b>	<b>Term of office ends</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
<i>Vacancy</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>Future appointment to be made</i>
Mrs. Suzanne Amos	31/12/2022	N/A
Mrs. Susan Harvey	30/04/2023	N/A
Mr. Almon Ryan Macalino	31/12/2023	N/A

<b>Local Member</b>	<b>Ward</b>	<b>School 1</b>	<b>School 2</b>
Cllr. Scott Bamsey	Aberavon	St. Joseph's Comprehensive	-
Cllr. Nigel Hunt	Aberavon	-	-
Cllr. Stephanie Lynch	Aberavon	Sandfields Primary	-

### **Other Information**

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

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

**Current LA Representatives**  
*Vacancy*

**Term of office ends**  
*N/A*

**Recommendation**  
*Future appointment to be made*

<b>Local Member</b>	<b>Ward</b>	<b>School 1</b>	<b>School 2</b>
Cllr. Scott Bamsey	Aberavon	St. Joseph's Comprehensive	-
Cllr. Nigel Hunt	Aberavon	-	-
Cllr. Stephanie Lynch	Aberavon	Sandfields Primary	-

**Other Information**

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

**ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL (NEATH) (Deferred from last panel)**

**Current LA Representatives**  
*Vacancy*

**Term of office ends**  
*N/A*

**Recommendation**  
*Future appointment to be made*

**Local Member**

Cllr. Jamie Evans  
Cllr. Peter Rees

**Ward**

Neath South  
Neath South

**School 1**

-  
Cefn Saeson Comprehensive

**School 2**

-  
Crynallt Primary

**Other Information**

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

## ST. JOSEPH'S RC SCHOOL & 6<sup>TH</sup> FORM CENTRE (Deferred from last panel)

<b>Current LA Representatives</b>	<b>Term of office ends</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
<i>Vacancy</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>Appoint Cllr. Stephanie Lynch</i>
<i>Cllr. Scott Bamsey</i>	<i>31/08/2021</i>	<i>Re-appoint Cllr. Scott Bamsey</i>

<b>Local Member</b>	<b>Ward</b>	<b>School 1</b>	<b>School 2</b>
Cllr. Scott Bamsey	Aberavon	St. Joseph's Comprehensive	-
Cllr. Nigel Hunt	Aberavon	-	-
Cllr. Stephanie Lynch	Aberavon	Sandfields Primary	-

### Other Information

- i) Applications have been received from Cllr. Scott Bamsey who wishes to be considered for re-appointment and Cllr. Stephanie Lynch who wishes to be considered for appointment.

## TONNAU PRIMARY COMMUNITY 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*

*Future appointment to be made*

N/A

### Local Member

Cllr. Leanne Jones

### Ward

Tonna

### School 1

Melin Primary

### School 2

Tonnau Primary

### Other Information

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

## YGG CWM NEDD

### Current LA Representatives

*Cllr. Simon Knoyle*

Cllr. Del Morgan

Cllr. Carolyn Edwards

### Term of office ends

*31/08/2021*

31/08/2024

31/12/2024

### Recommendation

*Re-appoint Cllr. Simon Knoyle*

N/A

N/A

### Local Member

Cllr. Simon Knoyle

Cllr. Del Morgan

### Ward

Glynneath

Glynneath

### School 1

YGG Cwm Nedd

YGG Cwm Nedd

### School 2

-

-

### Other Information

i) An application has been received from Cllr. Simon Knoyle who wishes to be considered for re-appointment.

## YGG GWAUN CAE GURWEN

### Current LA Representatives

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

### Term of office ends

*31/08/2021*  
31/03/2024  
31/12/2024

### Recommendation

*Re-appoint Cllr. Sonia Reynolds*  
N/A  
N/A

### Local Member

Cllr. Sonia Reynolds

### Ward

Gwaun Cae Gurwen

### School 1

YGG Gwaun Cae Gurwen

### School 2

-

### Other Information

- i) An application has been received from Cllr. Sonia Reynolds who wishes to be considered for re-appointment.



## YGG PONTARDAWE (Deferred from last panel)

<b>Current LA Representatives</b>	<b>Term of office ends</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
<i>Vacancy</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>Future appointment to be made</i>
Ms. Bethan Gill	31/12/2021	N/A
Mrs. Sarah Gray	31/08/2023	N/A
Mr. David Williams	31/08/2024	N/A

<b>Local Member</b>	<b>Ward</b>	<b>School 1</b>	<b>School 2</b>
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 TREBANNWS

### Current LA Representatives

*Vacancy*

Cllr. Rebeca Phillips

Mrs. Angharad Lloyd

### Term of office ends

*N/A*

31/08/2024

31/12/2021

### Recommendation

*Appoint Mrs. Laura Santiago*

*N/A*

*N/A*

### Local Member

Cllr. Rebeca Phillips

### Ward

Trebanos

### School 1

YGG Pontardawe

### School 2

YGG Trebannws

### Other Information

- i) An application has been received from Mrs. Laura Santiago who wishes to be considered for appointment.

## YSGOL BAE BAGLAN (Deferred from last panel)

<b>Current LA Representatives</b>	<b>Term of office ends</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
<i>Vacancy</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>Future appointment to be made</i>
<i>Vacancy</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>Future appointment to be made</i>
Cllr. Oliver Davies	31/08/2021	Re-appoint Cllr. Oliver Davies
Cllr. E V Latham	31/10/2024	N/A
Mr. Samuel Greasley	31/12/2023	N/A

<b>Local Member</b>	<b>Ward</b>	<b>School 1</b>	<b>School 2</b>
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 Cllr. Oliver Davies who wishes to be considered for re-appointment.

## YSGOL GYMRAEG YSTALYFERA-BRO DUR

<b>Current LA Representatives</b>	<b>Term of office ends</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
<i>Cllr. Helen Ceri Clarke</i>	<i>08/11/2021</i>	<i>Re-appoint Cllr. Helen Ceri Clarke</i>
<i>Cllr. Rosalyn Davies</i>	<i>08/11/2021</i>	<i>Re-appoint Cllr. Rosalyn Davies</i>
<i>Cllr. Alun Llewelyn</i>	<i>08/11/2021</i>	<i>Re-appoint Cllr. Alun Llewelyn</i>
Mr. Tudur Jones	31/03/2023	N/A
Mr. Gavin Thomas	31/03/2025	N/A

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

### **Other Information**

i) Applications have been received from Cllr. Helen Ceri Clarke, Cllr. Alun Llewelyn and Cllr. Rosalyn Davies who wish to be considered for re-appointment.

## YSGOL HENDREFELIN

### Current LA Representatives

*Mrs A Pauline Macpherson Jones*

Mr. Richard Blank

Ms. Beryl Richards

### Term of office ends

*31/08/2021*

31/01/2023

10/01/2025

### Recommendation

*Re-appoint Mrs A P MacPherson Jones*

N/A

N/A

### Local Member

Cllr. Wyndham Griffiths

### Ward

Bryncoch North

### School 1

Blaenhonddan Primary

### School 2

Wauanceirch Primary

### Other Information

- i) An application has been received from Mrs. A Pauline MacPherson Jones who wishes to be considered for re-appointment.