NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

Education, Skills and Wellbeing Cabinet Board

8th February, 2023

Report of the: Head of Education Development – Christopher Millis Head of Support Services and Transformation -Rhiannon Crowhurst

Matter for Decision:

APPOINTMENT OF LA GOVERNOR REPRESENTATIVES AT YSGOL GYNRADD GYMRAEG TREGELES

Wards Affected:

Briton Ferry West, Coedffranc Central, Coedffranc North, Coedffranc West, Dyffryn, Neath North

Purpose of the Report

1. To appoint LA Governor Representatives to the new permanent governing body of Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg Tregeles.

Background

Members will be aware that Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg Tregeles opened as a starter school for part time nursery pupils in January 2023 with the first cohort of full time reception pupils expected to attend the new school from September 2023.

Members agreed in October, 2022, to the creation of an Instrument of Government, which created a permanent name for the school and an incorporation date when a permanent governing body would take office of 1st March, 2023. The temporary governing body will continue until this date in its current form when their role and function will then come to an end. The current LA Governor Representatives on the temporary Governing Body are: Cllr. James Henton, Cllr. Andy Lodwig and Cllr. Alan Lockyer.

Members will be aware that LA Governor Representatives are appointed by the Council in priority order of i) Elected Members representing wards in the catchment area of the relevant school or pupil referral unit; ii) Other Elected Members of the LA and iii) Persons who, in the opinion of the Council, would contribute to the well-being of the school of pupil referral unit. As Briton Ferry West, Coedffranc Central, Coedffranc North, Coedffranc West, Dyffryn, Neath North are the Wards that are the catchment area for Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg Tregeles all elected Members in these areas have been asked whether they wish to be considered for appointment to the permanent governing body. Those that wish to be considered are (alphabetically):

Cllr. James Henton

Cllr. Andy Lodwig

Financial Impact

2. There is no financial impact associated with this proposal.

Equality Impact Assessment

3. Having considered the Council's screening assessment guidance produced to assist the Council in discharging its Public Sector Equality Duty under the Equality Act 2010 it has been determined that the proposal within this report does not require an equalities impact assessment.

Workforce Impacts

4. There are no workforce or staffing issues directly associated with this proposal although the permanent governing body will have responsibility for the employment of staff at the school.

Legal Impacts

5. The recommendations contained within this report are in accordance with the Councils obligations set out in The New Maintained Schools (Wales) Regulations 2005.

Risk Management

6. Should the recommendation to create the permanent governing body not be approved then the Council will be in breach of its statutory obligation.

Consultation

7. Not applicable.

Recommendations

8. That in line with approved policy Members are asked to approve the LA governor representatives for Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg Tregeles as:

Cllr. James Henton

Cllr. Andy Lodwig

Reasons for Proposed Decision

9. To enable the Authority to contribute to effective school governing bodies.

Implementation of Decision

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

Appendices

11. Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg Tregeles - Instrument of Government.

List of Background Papers

12. Education, Skills and Wellbeing Cabinet Board Education, Skills and Wellbeing Cabinet Board 22nd September, 2022:

Agenda for Education, Skills and Wellbeing Cabinet Board -Urgency Action on Thursday, 15th September, 2022, 10.47 am: NPT CBC

Education, Skills and Wellbeing Cabinet Board Education, Skills and Wellbeing Cabinet Board (Special) 27th October, 2022:

Agenda for Education, Skills & Wellbeing Cabinet Board on Thursday, 27th October, 2022, 2.01 pm: NPT CBC

The New Maintained Schools (Wales) Regulations 2005:

http://www.legislation.gov.uk/wsi/2005/2912/contents/made

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INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT - COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

1. The name of the school is:

Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg Tregeles

- 2. The school is a community school.
- 3. The name of the governing body is:

The Governing Body of Ysgol Gynradd Gymraeg Tregeles

- 4. The governing body shall consist of:
 - (a) Four parent governors;
 - (b) Three local authority governors;
 - (c) One teacher governors;
 - (d) One staff governor;
 - (e) Four community governors;
 - (f) Headteacher (except at any time when he/she has given written notice to the clerk to the governing body that he/she chooses not to be a governor).
- 5. Total number of governors: Fourteen (except at any time when the Headteacher has given notice as above that he/she chooses not to be a governor, when the total number of governors will be thirteen).
- 6. This instrument of government comes into effect on 1st March, 2023.
- 7. This instrument was made by order of Neath Port Talbot Local Authority on 27th October, 2022.