

# THE ASSEMBLY

8 DECEMBER 2010

## REPORT OF THE ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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| <b>Title: Appointment of Parent Governor (Secondary) Co-opted Member to the Children's Services Select Committee</b>   | <b>For Decision</b> |
| <p><b>Summary</b></p> <p>The Secondary School Parent Governor representative position on the Children's Services Select Committee must be re-appointed as Tina Woodhouse's term of office is due to expire and she no longer has a child of statutory school age making her ineligible for re-appointment.</p> <p>The selection of the Parent Governor representative is a two-stage process; the first being the nomination stage and the second being a ballot (assuming more than one nomination is received). All serving school parent governors are eligible to take part in the election process.</p> <p>One nomination to fill the position of Secondary School Parent Governor representative on the Children's Services Select Committee was received, therefore a ballot for the role was not necessary.</p> <p>The successful nominee for the Secondary School Parent Governor position is Mr Ishmael Ncube who is currently serving on the Governing Body of Eastbrook School, and his term of office there runs until 06 October 2011.</p> <p><b>Wards affected: All</b></p> |                     |
| <p><b>Recommendations:</b></p> <p>The Assembly is recommended to approve the appointment of Mr Ishmael Ncube as the Secondary School Parent Governor Co-opted Member to the Children's Services Select Committee.</p>  |                     |
| <p><b>Reason:</b></p> <p>To ensure that the Council's Scrutiny function is in accordance with Article 5 of the Council's Constitution.</p>   |                     |
| <p><b>Implications:</b></p> <p><b>Legal:</b></p> <p>Section 21 of the Local Government Act 2000 requires the Council to appoint at least one Overview and Scrutiny Committee to fulfil the Overview and Scrutiny function.</p> <p>Education co-opted members have a statutory right to be involved in the Council's decision making processes. However, under the legislation this only applies to Overview and Scrutiny Committees where their functions relate wholly or partly to educational matters which are the responsibility of the Authority.</p>  |                     |

The Parent Governor Representatives (England) Regulations 2001 provides that a Local Education Authority shall appoint at least two but not more than five Parent Governor representatives to the relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The Children's Services Select Committee is the relevant scrutiny committee for these purposes. As the Council still maintains Roman Catholic schools, the total number of Church representatives to be appointed shall be one (Church of England) and one (Roman Catholic). Both Parent Governor and Church representatives have the right to vote where education matters are being considered and the right to Call-In Cabinet decisions.

**Financial** - None

**Contractual** - No specific implications

**Risk Management** - No specific implications.

**Staffing** - No specific implications

**Customer Impact** - No specific implications

**Safeguarding Children** - No specific implications

**Crime and Disorder** - No specific implications

**Property/Assets** - No specific implications

**Options appraisal** - Not applicable

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## Background papers

Council Constitution  
 Local Government Act 2000