### THE ASSEMBLY

### **15 SEPTEMBER 2010**

# REPORT OF THE ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Title: Appointment of Parent Governor (Primary)	For Decision
Co-opted Member to the Children's Services	
Select Committee	

# Summary

The Primary School Parent Governor representative position on the Children's Services Select Committee is currently vacant.

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.

An election process was co-ordinated by Children's Services in August 2010. Three nominations to fill the position of Primary School Parent Governor representative on the Children's Services Select Committee were received and a ballot for the role was carried out.

The successful nominee for the Primary School Parent Governor position is Mrs Ghadeer Al-salem Youssef who is currently serving on the Governing Body of Manor Infants School.

#### Wards affected: All

### Recommendations:

The Assembly is recommended to approve the appointment of Mrs Ghadeer Al-salem Youssef as the Primary School Parent Governor Co-opted Member to the Children's Services Select Committee.

#### Reason:

To ensure that the Council's Scrutiny function is in accordance with Article 5 of the Council's Constitution

### Implications:

**Legal** – 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.

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.

Associated regulations state 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, namely the Children's Services Select Committee. 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