

PART 1 - PUBLIC

Decision Maker: **Children and Young People Portfolio Holder**

Date: **For Pre-Decision Scrutiny by the Children and Young People PDS Committee on 20 July 2010**

Decision Type: Non-Urgent Executive Non-Key

TITLE: MEMBERSHIP OF SCHOOL GOVERNING BODIES

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Ward: Bickley, Chelsfield and Pratts Bottom, Chislehurst, Clock House, Crystal Palace, Darwin, Farnborough and Crofton, Hayes and Coney Hall, Kelsey and Eden Park, Penge and Cator, Petts Wood and Knoll, West Wickham,

1. Reason for report

1.1 LA Governor appointments to schools.

Bickley Primary School
Cator Park School
Crofton Infant School
Cudham CE Primary School
Farnborough Primary School
Green St Green Primary School
Hayes Primary School
James Dixon Primary School
Langley Park School for Boys
Marjorie McClure School
Pickhurst Junior School
Red Hill Primary School
Scotts Park Primary School
Stewart Fleming Primary School
Warren Road Primary School

2. **RECOMMENDATION(S)**

2.1 **It is recommended that the Executive Member for Children and Young People approve the appointments subject to CRB checks.**

Corporate Policy

1. Policy Status: Existing policy: The Bromley Education Development Plan aims to fill 95% of LA Governor vacancies within three months of becoming vacant.
 2. BBB Priority: Children and Young People
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Financial

1. Cost of proposal: N/A
 2. Ongoing costs: N/A
 3. Budget head/performance centre:
 4. Total current budget for this head: £N/A
 5. Source of funding:
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Staff

1. Number of staff (current and additional) – N/A
 2. If from existing staff resources, number of staff hours – N/A
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Legal

1. Legal Requirement: Statutory requirement: School Governance (Constitution) (England) Regulations 2007
 2. Call in: Call-in is applicable
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Customer Impact

1. Estimated number of users/beneficiaries (current and projected) - N/A
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Ward Councillor Views

1. Have Ward Councillors been asked for comments? Yes
2. Summary of Ward Councillors comments:

3. COMMENTARY

- 3.1 Details of the vacancies that have arisen are set out in Appendix 1.
- 3.2 The names of the applicants for all the LA Governor vacancies are set out in the report with biographical details.
- 3.3 Further detailed information on applicants is held by Governor Services to support the decision made by the Portfolio Holder.

4. CONSULTATION

- 4.1 All Council Members and Governing Bodies have been consulted.

5. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 See above.

6. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Details of individuals who are barred from working with children are contained on the Independent Safeguarding Authority's (ISA) Children's Barred List to which the Local Authority has access. This list replaces the previous list 99 and POCA list.
- 6.2 From 12 October 2009 the Vetting and Barring Scheme was launched and Governors are included in the list of roles regarded as undertaking "regulated activity".
- 6.3 ISA-registration for the Vetting and Barring Scheme does not start for new employees or those moving jobs until July 2010 and ISA-registration does not become mandatory for these individuals until November 2010. All other staff will be phased into the scheme from 2011.

7. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 The Criminal Justice and Court Services Act 2000 now adds a new category of people who are disqualified from being a School Governor by Schedule 6 of the School Government Regulations 2002/03. The Act makes it a criminal offence for a person who is disqualified from working with children to apply for, offer to do, accept or do, any work in a "regulated position" and a member of the Governing Body of a school is included in the list of "regulated positions" set out in the Act.

Non-Applicable Sections:	Financial Implications
Background Documents: (Access via Contact Officer)	

DETAILS OF GOVERNOR VACANCIES

Bickley Primary School – one LA Governor vacancy will be created when Mr Colin Bloom completes a four year term of office on 31 August 2010. Therefore, this appointment will take effect from 1 September 2010.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Details</u>
Cllr Kate Lymer (Bickley Ward)	Cllr Lymer is a new Councillor of Bickley Ward. She would welcome the opportunity to join the Governing Body of Bickley Primary School as an LA Governor.

Cator Park School – one LA Governor vacancy has been created by the resignation of Mr David Fisher.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Details</u>
Mr Anthony Thompson (Bromley)	Nominated by the Governing Body. Mr Thompson is the Head of Corporate Governance currently seconded to the Youth Justice Board, overseeing the Board's work preventing young people from offending by engaging them in education and other positive activities. He has a range of skills that include financial management, leading teams and performance monitoring of schools.

Crofton Infant School – one LA Governor vacancy has been created by the resignation of Mr Anthony Hammond.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Details</u>
Mr Chris Munday (Petts Wood)	Nominated by the Governing Body. Mr Munday is a property lawyer and a partner with a City law firm. He leads a team of lawyers which buys sites for housing associations to develop affordable housing. Mr Munday is a member of Crofton Baptist Church. Both Mr Munday's children attended Crofton Infant School and now attend local grammar schools.

Cudham CE Primary School – one LA Governor vacancy will be created by the end of term resignation of Mr James Young. Therefore, this appointment will take effect from 1 September 2010.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Details</u>
Cllr Richard Scoates (Darwin Ward)	Cllr Scoates is currently an LA Governor on the Governing Body of Hillside Primary School, where he is a member of the Buildings and Curriculum Committees. Cllr Scoates would welcome the opportunity to support the Governing Body of Cudham Primary School.

Farnborough Primary School – two LA Governor vacancies will be created when Mrs Naomi Kimber and Mr Dave Stacey both complete a four year term of office on 31 August 2010. Therefore, these vacancies will take effect from 1 September 2010.

<u>Names</u>	<u>Details</u>
Mrs Naomi Kimber (Farnborough)	Mrs Kimber is the current Chair of Governors of Farnborough Primary School. She has served as a Governor for eighteen years and attends regular Governor training. Mrs Kimber is willing to serve for a further four year term of office.

Mr Dave Stacey
(Orpington)

Mr Stacey has served on the Governing Body of Farnborough Primary School for over eight years. He attends regular Governor training. Mr Stacey is willing to serve for a further four year of office.

Green St Green Primary School – one LA Governor vacancy will be created when Cllr Samaris Huntington-Thresher completes a four year term of office on 31 August 2010. Therefore, this appointment will take effect from 1 September 2010.

Name

Cllr Samaris Huntington-Thresher
(Chelsfield and Pratts Bottom Ward)

Details

Cllr Huntington-Thresher has served on the Governing Body of Green St Green Primary School for four years. She attends Governor training. Cllr Huntington-Thresher is willing to serve for a further four year term of office.

Hayes Primary School – one LA Governor vacancy has been created by the resignation of Mrs Stella Brackpool.

Name

Mr Simon Narracott
(Bromley)

Details

Nomination from the Governing Body.
Mr Narracott is the Chair of Governors and completing his current term of office as a Parent Governor. He is a member of the Achievement & Curriculum and Resources Committees.
Mr Narracott regularly attends Governor training. He is a very committed Governor and would like the opportunity to continue serving on the Governing Body of Hayes Primary School.

James Dixon Primary School - one LA Governor vacancy will be created when Mr Len Blomstrand completes a four year term of office on 31 August 2010. Therefore, this appointment will take effect from 1 September 2010.

Name

Mr Len Blomstrand
(Penge)

Details

Mr Blomstrand has served on the Governing Body of James Dixon Primary School for 21 years. He is a retired solicitor and a special educational needs consultant. Mr Blomstrand regularly attends Governor training and is willing to serve for a further four year term of office.

Langley Park School for Boys – one LA Governor vacancy will be created when Mr Alan Short completes a four year term of office on 31 August 2010. Therefore, this appointment will take effect from 1 September 2010.

Name

Mr Alan Short
(Beckenham)

Details

Nominated by the Chair of Governors and supported by Cllr Michael Tickner.
Mr Short is a solicitor and has served on the Governing Body of Langley Park Boys School for 8 years. He has received a long service award for services as a Bromley Governor, having served on the Governing Body of Cator Park School for 20 years.
He is a member of the Personnel, Finance, Discipline Committees.
Mr Short regularly attends Governor training. He is willing to serve for a further four year term of office.

Marjorie McClure School – one LA Governor vacancy will be created when Mr Harry Ward completes a four year term of office on 31 August 2010. Therefore, this appointment will take effect from 1 September 2010.

Name

Mr Harry Ward

Details

Mr Ward has served the Governing Body of Marjorie McClure School

(Chislehurst)

for 4 years. He is a Consultant Paediatric Surgeon with a background knowledge and experience of children with special needs. Mr Ward has experience of issues relating to health and education within the NHS. He is willing to serve for a further four year term of office.

Pickhurst Junior School – two LA Governor vacancies will be created when Mrs Stella Brackpool and Mr Duncan Parr both complete a four year term of office on 31 August 2010. Therefore, these appointments will take effect from 1 September 2010.

Names

Mrs Stella Brackpool
(Bromley)

Details

Mrs Brackpool has served as a school governor for 22 years and is currently Vice Chair of Governors. She regularly attends governor training. Mrs Brackpool is willing to serve for a further four year term of office.

Mr Duncan Parr
(Beckenham)

Mr Parr has served for over 9 years as a Local Authority appointed Governor. He attends governor training. Mr Parr is willing to serve for a further four year term of office.

Red Hill Primary School – one LA Governor vacancy will be created when Mr John Thorogood completes a four year term of office on 31 August 2010. Therefore, this appointment will take effect from 1 September 2010.

Name

Mr John Thorogood
(Chislehurst)

Details

Mr Thorogood has served the Governing Body of Red Hill Primary School for 15 years. He is a member of the Personnel and Curriculum Committees. Mr Thorogood regularly attends governor training and is willing to serve for a further four year term of office.

Scotts Park Primary School – one additional LA Governor position due to the increase to the constitution of the Governing Body.

Name

Cllr Ellie Harmer
(Plaistow and Sundridge)

Details

Nominated by Cllr Stephen Wells.
Cllr Ellie Harmer is a new Councillor for Plaistow and Sundridge Ward. She has served as a Governor of Coopers School. She lives local to Scotts Park Primary School and would like the opportunity to join the Governing Body.

Stewart Fleming Primary School – one LA Governor vacancy will be created when Mrs Gillian Mallard completes a four year term of office on 31 August 2010. Therefore this appointment will take effect from 1 September 2010.

Name

Mrs Gillian Mallard
(Bromley)

Details

Mrs Mallard joined as a LA Governor of the Governing Body of Stewart Fleming Primary following her retirement as Head Teacher of Pickhurst Infant School. She is the Vice Chair of Governors and a member of the Achievement and Curriculum and Resources Committees. Mrs Mallard is willing to serve for a further four year term of office.

Warren Road Primary School – one LA Governor vacancy will be created when Cllr Julian Grainger resigns at the end of the summer term. This appointment will take effect from 1 September 2010.

Name

Cllr Russell Jackson
(Chelsfield and Pratts Bottom Ward)

Details

Nominated by Cllr Julian Grainger
Cllr Jackson is a new Councillor of Chelsfield and Pratts Bottom Ward. He would welcome the opportunity to join the Governing Body of Warren Road Primary School.

