

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

**CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND LEARNING
CABINET MEMBER**

APPOINTMENT/RE-APPOINTMENT OF LOCAL AUTHORITY SCHOOL GOVERNORS

1. OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT

1.1 To consider the re-appointment of a suitable candidates to serve as local authority governors on the governing bodies of Bushfield Road Infant School and Oasis Academy Henderson Avenue

1.2 To consider the appointment of a suitable candidate to serve as local authority governor on the governing body of Brigg Primary School

2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2.1 Governing bodies are the key strategic decision-making body for schools. It is the governing body's role to set a school's strategic framework and to ensure that all statutory duties are met. The Department for Education identifies three main duties, which are:

- ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
- holding the head teacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils, and the performance management of staff
- overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent

2.2 Local authority governors must have:

- an interest in the future education and wellbeing of all children
- the skills and desire to make a difference
- a willingness to accept responsibility
- an ability to work in a team, ask questions, listen and learn
- time and commitment to undertake governor duties
- a commitment to fulfil the Nolan principles which relate to Standards in Public Life.

2.3 When a LA governor vacancy occurs, the relevant governing body identifies the necessary skills, knowledge and experience that would be required of the successful candidate. All potential applicants (including re-appointments) are required to complete an application form identifying their skills, knowledge and experience. The LA nominates suitable candidates to the school and the governing body decides whether the nominee meets their requirements. The governing body may choose to reject or appoint the candidate accordingly.

3. OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

3.1 **Option 1:** To nominate the 3 applicants based on the skills they hold and those required by the governing bodies.

3.2 **Option 2:** Not to nominate the applicants for appointment and re-appointment.

4. ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS

4.1 The prospective candidates meet both the requirements identified by the governing bodies and the expectations of the local authority.

4.2 Nominating their appointment / re-appointment will allow the governing bodies the opportunity to consider appointing / re-appointing suitable candidates at the earliest opportunity. Suitable appointments will strengthen the governing bodies' position and maintain the capacity to deliver the strategic and statutory duties.

5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL, STAFFING, PROPERTY, IT)

5.1 None.

6. OUTCOMES OF INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT

6.1 N/A

7. OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION AND CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS DECLARED

7.1 None

8. RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1 It is recommended that the applicants detailed in Appendix 1 Table 2 are nominated for re-appointment to the governing bodies of Bushfield Road Infant School and Oasis Academy Henderson Avenue.

8.2 It is recommended that the applicant detailed in Appendix 1 Table 3 is nominated for appointment to the governing body of Brigg Primary School.

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Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

- 1) The School Governance (Constitution) (England) Regulations 2012
- 2) The School Governance (Constitution) (Amendment) Regulations 2014
Guidance for Local Authority Governors – 2014
- 3) Report of the Director of People– Revised Process for the Selection & Nomination of Local Authority Governors October 2014

Table 1: Current Local Authority Governor Vacancies

School	Date of vacancy	Reason for vacancy
Alkborough Primary School	24 April 2016	End of term of office
Brigg Primary School	25 May 2017	Resignation
Broughton Primary School	5 September 2017	Resignation
Darley Centre Management Committee	9 June 2016	End of term of office
Frodingham Infant School	18 January 2017	Resignation
John Harrison CE Primary School	7 August 2017	End of Term of office
Lincoln Gardens Primary School	20 May 2017	Resignation
Luddington & Garthorpe Primary School	28 April 2017	Resignation
Oakfield Primary School	6 June 2017	Deceased
Oasis Academy Parkwood	10 May 2014	Resignation
The Grange Primary School	12 October 2017	Resignation
The Westcliffe and Priory Lane Federation	26 July 2017	Resignation

Table 2: Applications from persons requesting re-appointment to schools

School	Applicant
Bushfield Road Infant School	Mr Steve Turnbull
Oasis Academy Henderson Avenue	Mr Timothy Hall

Table 3: Applications from persons requesting appointment to schools

School	Applicant
Brigg Primary School	Mr John Darlington

Table 4: Terms of office due to end by 31 December 2017

School	Date of vacancy	Name
Bushfield Road Infant School	9 December 2017	Mr Steve Turnbull
Holme Valley Primary School	9 December 2017	Mrs Angela Dawson
Killingholme Primary School	9 December 2017	Mr John Speyer
Oasis Academy Henderson Avenue	1 January 2018	Mr Timothy Hall