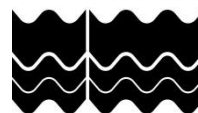


Agenda Item 5



Report to: Schools Forum

Date: 17 May 2019

Title of report: Schools Forum Membership

By: Sarah Rice, Finance Manager

Purpose of report: To update Schools Forum on the review of membership of the East Sussex Schools Forum.

Decision or Information: Information

- 1.1 The membership of the Schools Forum is reviewed regularly to ensure that there is proportionate representation of each phase in maintained and academy schools in line with the number of pupils in each category.
- 1.2 The latest review (as reported at the January Schools Forum meeting) using the October 2018 census data and the membership was found to be broadly in line with the current membership profile, but the calculation did show marginal shifts in both Primary and Secondary phases.
- 1.3 As the shift was limited to one rep in each phase, and in the interests of maintaining stability it was agreed that no changes were implemented at that point and membership would be reviewed when a vacancy arose.
- 1.4 An opportunity has arisen to reduce the number of maintained secondary school representatives and therefore the membership structure has been amended to reflect this in line with the aim of proportionate representation.
- 1.5 Hugh Hennerby's membership is due to expire in June 2019. This coincides with Emily Beer requiring to step down temporarily from the Forum. The Maintained Secondary Heads have been consulted and have decided to allow Hugh to renew his membership. The number of maintained secondary heads representatives will therefore be reduced by 1.
- 1.6 Appendix 1 contains a revised membership breakdown by phase and sector.
- 1.7 As a result of this change a vacancy will be advertised to recruit a further primary academy representative.

Recommendation

- 2.1 Schools Forum are asked to note the change in membership profile amendment made in line with the actions agreed in the January Forum meeting.

Appendix 1

Revised Schools Forum Membership Structure (Appendix B The East Sussex Schools Forum Constitution)

	Maintained				Academies & Free Schools		
	Head Teachers	Governor	Other	Total	Total	Total	%
Voting Members							
<i>School</i>							
Primary	5	3		8	3	11	
Secondary	2	1		3	4	7	
Special	1	0		1	1	2	
PRU	1	0		1	0	1	
Total School	9	4	0	13	8	21	81%
<i>Non-school</i>							
Early Years			1	1	0	1	
Dioceses			2	2	0	2	
Professional Associations			1	1	0	1	
16-19 representative			1	1	0	1	
Total Non-school	0	0	5	5	0	5	19%
Total voting membership	9	4	5	18	8	26	100%
Observers							
Lead Member for L&SE						1	
Director of Children's Services						1	
EFA representative						1	
Total observers						3	