

**Report to:** County Consultative Committee

**Date of meeting:** 30<sup>th</sup> November 2022

**By:** Clare Cornford

**Title:** Local Authority Governor Update for Councillors

**Purpose:** To update Councillors on the nomination for appointment of local authority governors and governor training

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## **RECOMMENDATIONS**

### **1) For information**

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#### **11 Background**

1.1 The local authority has a statutory duty to approve nominations for local authority governors. Once nominated, schools then appoint local authority governors onto their governing board.

1.2 This report provides a summary of local authority governor applications approved for nomination, and information about the level of governor vacancies across the county.

#### **2 Supporting information**

2.1 Since the report sent to Councillors on the 19<sup>th</sup> May 2022, 15 local authority governors were nominated for appointment, all were approved for a 4 year term of office. Of the 15, 7 were reappointments and 8 were new appointments.

Sue Porter	Meridian Community Primary School	New Application
Caroline Clark	St Pancras Catholic Primary School	New Application
Zak Vice	Chantry Community School, Bexhill	New Application
Simon Powell	Uckfield College	Reapplication
Paul Wood	The Weald Federation	New Application
Peter Clark	The Skylark Federation	Reapplicaton
Michael Stewart	Crowhurst Church of England Primary school	Reapplication
David Lambeth	St Andrew's infant school	Reapplication
Margaret Pratt	Claverham Community College	Reapplication
Peter Smyth	St Marks CEP (Hadlow Down)	Reapplication
Andrea Harwood	St Peter and St Paul CE Primary School	Reapplication
Andrew Thompson	High Hurstwood CEP School	New Application
Cathy Gregory	St Mary's Catholic Primary School	New Application
Catherine Barnsby	Danehill CofE Primary School	New Application
Karen Bye	Icklesham CE Primary School	New Application

2.2 Until September 2022, the Governor and Clerking Service used Governors Online and the East Sussex Learning Portal to hold and monitor governor tenure, vacancy and training records. Unfortunately the company which hosted these site went into liquidation. The Governor and Clerking Service has now procured access to the GovernorHub System, which is part of the Key for School Governors that many of our schools already access. This new system will bring together

governor and clerking information, training and records into one place and will be a streamline system for governors and clerks to manage their boards and their training needs.

2.3 As the new system is not yet live, we are unable to report on governor vacancies or the number of training places that have been filled since September 2022. This information will be available at the next meeting of the County Consultative Committee (Governors).

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#### BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

None