

# Report to Cabinet Member for Achievement and Learning

Decision to be taken on or after 16 July 2007

Decision can normally be implemented at least 3 working days after decision has been signed.

Cabinet Member Report No. AL11.07

Title: Governance Panel

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**Electoral Divisions Affected: All** 

Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Committee: Children's Services

#### Summary

The report sets out the recommendations of the Governance Panel meeting held on 3 July 2007 for formal confirmation.

**Note:** The meeting was not quorate. However, the members agreed to continue with the meeting and make their recommendations to the Cabinet Member for Achievement and Learning.

#### Recommendation

That the Cabinet Member formally confirms the following recommendations of the Governance Panel

1. That the following be appointed or re-appointed as representatives of the Local Education Authority on school governing bodies, subject to their willingness to serve:

**Aylesbury**The Elmhurst
Bedgrove Junior

Governor Mrs C Willetts+ Mrs W Jarvis+ Steeple Claydon Mrs R Tilden-Walker+
Turnfurlong Junior Mrs G Patalono+
Westcott Mr J Sisk+

#### **Chiltern and South Bucks**

Elmtree Mrs S Gotley+
Gerrards Cross CE Cllr P Roberts
Little Chalfont Primary Mrs Vivis+
Newtown Infant and Nursery Cllr S Adams
Prestwood Infant Mr S Hayes+

# Wycombe

Bowerdean Mrs K Bates
Lane End Primary Mrs M Adnitt+
Maplewood Mrs C Dollin
Maplewood Mrs V Commisiony+

+New governors, as opposed to reappointments, are indicated by + in list

- 2. That approval be given to the Instrument of Government for the Governing Body of Wendover House School, see Appendix A
- 3. That approval be given to the Instrument of Government for the Governing Body of Weston Turville Church of England School, see Appendix B
- 4. That approval be given to the Instrument of Government for the Governing Body of Whaddon Church of England School, see Appendix C

# A. The decision required and why it is needed

The recommendations made above have been considered in detail by a meeting of the Governance Panel held on 3 July 2007. The Panel has the responsibility for considering governor appointments and other school governance matters in detail, but their recommendations require formal confirmation by the Cabinet Member for Achievement and Learning.

# B. Other options available, and their pros and cons

Other options, where these were available were considered by the Panel

#### C. Resource implications

There are no resource implications

# D. Legal implications

None

# E. Property implications

None

# F. Other implications/issues

None

#### G. Feedback from consultation and Local Member views

One purpose of the Governance panel is to obtain views from local members and reach a consensus

#### H. Communication issues

Newly appointed governors are sent formal appointment letters. Schools are notified of other decisions regarding school governance including Instruments of Government and the constitution of permanent governing bodies.

# **Background Papers**

Governance Panel papers of 3 July 2007 Copies can be obtained from the Contact Officer

#### Your questions and views

If you have any questions about the matters contained in this paper please get in touch with the Contact Officer whose telephone number is given at the head of the paper.

If you have any views on this paper that you would like the Cabinet Member to consider, or if you wish to object to the proposed decision, please inform the Democratic Services Team by 5.00pm on 13 July 2007. This can be done by telephone (to 01296 383602), Fax (to 01296 382538), or e-mail to <a href="mailto:cabinet@buckscc.gov.uk">cabinet@buckscc.gov.uk</a>

#### **CABINET MEMBER REPORT NO.**

# **DECISION TAKEN:** I have taken into account any representations received concerning the contents of this report. Signed: Date: **DECISION NOT TAKEN:** Signed: Date: Reason: For Reference Professional advice supporting the decision was provided by the following Officers Signed Name Date

#### **APPENDIX A**

# **INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT**

- 1) The name of the school is Wendover House School
- 2) The school is a community special school
- 3) The name of the governing body is "The Governing Body of Wendover House School"
- 4) The governing body shall consist of:
  - (a) 5 parent governors
  - (b) **3** LEA governors
  - (c) 3 staff governors
  - (d) 4 community governors
- 5) Total number of governors **15** except at any time when the head teacher has given notice under Regulation 5 of the Constitution Regulations that he chooses not to be a governor, when the total number of governors will be **14**
- 6) This instrument of government comes into effect on 1 September 2007
- 7) This instrument was made by order of Buckinghamshire Local Education Authority on

#### INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT

- 1. The name of the school is Weston Turville CE School
- 2. The school is a voluntary aided school.
- 3. The name of the governing body is "The governing body of Weston Turville CE School"
- 4. The governing body shall consist of:
  - a. 2 parent governors
  - b. 1 LA governor
  - c. 3 staff governors
  - d. **10 foundation governors** (at least three of whom shall, at the time of their appointment, be eligible for election or appointment as parent governors)
  - e. 2 sponsor governors
- 5. The total number of governors shall be 18 except that, at any time when the head teacher has given notice under Regulation 5 of the Constitution Regulations that s/he chooses not to be a governor, the total number of governors shall be 17.
- 6. The sponsor entitled to nominate persons for appointment as sponsor governors under Schedule 5 of the Regulations is **Weston Turville Parish Council.**
- 7. Nine foundation governors shall be appointed by the **Oxford Diocesan Board of Education**
- 8. a) The holder of the following office shall be a foundation governor ex officio:

Priest in Charge, St Mary the Virgin, Weston Turville

b) The Archdeacon of Buckingham shall be entitled to appoint a foundation governor to act in the place of the ex officio foundation governor whose governorship derives from the office named in (a) above, in the event that that ex officio foundation governor is unable or unwilling to act as a foundation governor, or has been removed

from office under regulation 23 (2) of the Regulations, or where there is a vacancy in the office named in (a) above.

- c) The Archdeacon of Buckingham shall be entitled to request the removal of the ex officio foundation governor named in (a) above and to appoint a substitute foundation governor.
- 9. The first record of children being educated at this school is dated 1839. The trust deed for Weston Turville CE School was established in 1873 to be used "as and for a school for the education of children and adults or children only of the labouring, manufacturing and other poorer person in the Parish of Weston Turville."

# 10. The School's Ethos Statement

"Recognising its historic foundation, the school will preserve and develop its religious character in accordance with the principles of the Church of England and in partnership with the Church at parish and diocesan levels.

The School aims to serve its community by providing an education of the highest quality within the context of Christian belief and practice. It encourages an understanding of the meaning and significance of faith, and promotes Christian values through the experience it offers to all its pupils".

- 11. This instrument of government comes into effect on **1 September 2007.**
- 12. This instrument was made by order of Buckinghamshire County Council Local Education Authority on
- 13. A copy of this instrument must be supplied to the trustees under any trust deed, every member of the governing body and to the Oxford Diocesan Board of Education.

#### INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT

- 1) The name of the school is Whaddon Church of England School
- 2) The school is a voluntary controlled school.
- 3) The name of the governing body is "The governing body of Whaddon Church of England School"
- 4) The governing body shall consist of:
  - (a) 3 parent governors
  - (b) 2 LEA governors
  - (c) 2 staff governors
  - (d) 1 community governor
  - (e) 2 foundation governors
- 5) The total number of governors shall be 10, except that, at any time when the head teacher has given notice under Regulation 5 of the Constitution Regulations that s/he chooses not to be a governor, the total number of governors will be 9.
- 6) Foundation Governors shall be appointed by the **Oxford Diocesan Board of Education**.
- 7) The school has a trust deed dated 19 October 1841.
- 8) Recognising its historic foundation, the school will preserve and develop its religious character in accordance with the principles of the Church of England and in partnership with the Church at community by providing an education of the highest quality within the context of Christian belief and practice. It encourages an understanding of the meaning and significance of faith, and promotes Christian values through the experience it offers to all its pupils.
- 9) This instrument of government comes into effect on 1 September 2007
- 10) This instrument was made by order of Buckinghamshire Local Education Authority on