

TUESDAY, 16 JANUARY, 2024

TO: THE CABINET MEMBER FOR EDUCATION AND WELSH LANGUAGE

I HEREBY SUMMON YOU TO ATTEND A DECISIONS MEETING OF THE **CABINET MEMBER FOR EDUCATION & WELSH LANGUAGE** WHICH WILL BE HELD IN **CABINET MEMBER OFFICE - COUNTY HALL, CARMARTHEN. SA31 1JP.**, AT **9.00 AM**, ON **WEDNESDAY, 24TH JANUARY, 2024** FOR THE TRANSACTION OF THE BUSINESS OUTLINED ON THE ATTACHED AGENDA.

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CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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Note:- The press and public are not entitled to attend the meeting. The decision record will be published normally within 3 working days.

THURSDAY, 23 November 2023

PRESENT: Councillor: G. Davies (Cabinet Member).

The following officers were in attendance:

L. Evans, Policy and Inclusion Manager
T. Neumayer-James, Principal School Governance Officer
K. Evans, Democratic Services Officer
J. Owens, Democratic Services Officer

Virtual Meeting - 9.00 - 9.24 am

1. DECLARATIONS OF PERSONAL INTEREST

There were no declarations of personal interest.

2. TO SIGN AS A CORRECT RECORD THE DECISION RECORD OF THE MEETING HELD ON THE 23RD OCTOBER 2023

RESOLVED that the decision record of the meeting held on the 23rd October 2023 be signed as a correct record.

3. APPOINTMENT OF LA GOVERNORS

The Cabinet Member considered applications received for Local Authority Governor vacancies within the county. Nominations had been invited from the Chairperson, Head teacher and Local Member(s) in the case of Primary Schools/ the member(s) who were governors in the case of Secondary Schools.

It was noted that Local Authority Governors are appointed for 4 years, and where the vacancy has occurred as a result of an individual's term of office coming to an end, this was noted in the details for that particular person if he/she was seeking appointment.

It was also noted that all County Councillors, when elected, could stipulate which school governing bodies they would sit, and their decision would take preference over 'non-elected' LA Governors. Consequently, County Councillors could nominate to serve as LA Governors on a school that did not have a vacant post and in the event of the governorship becoming oversubscribed, the Council would stipulate which LA Governor was required to stand down.

RESOLVED that, in order to meet statutory obligations for filling vacancies on Governing Bodies and having considered the applications received, the following appointments be made to vacancies for Local Authority Governors:-

Primary School	Appointments
Abergwili (2 vacancies - 1 nomination)	Mrs K Edwards
Brynsierfel (1 vacancy from 22 nd November 2023 - 2 nominations)	Mrs L Beer
Burry Port (2 vacancies - 2 nominations)	Cllr. Michael Thomas Ms K Richards
Cae'r Felin (2 vacancies - 1 nomination)	Mr D Davies
Cynwyl Elfed – Llanpumsaint Federation (1 vacancy – 1 nomination)	Mrs L Cockroft
Gorslas (1 vacancy – 1 nomination)	Mrs G Lewis
Llechyfedach-Tumble Federation (3 vacancies from 22 nd November 2023 – 3 nominations)	Mrs A Price Ms J Thomas Mrs J Williams
Myrddin (1 vacancy from 23 rd January 2024 – 1 nomination)	Ms J Lewis
Nantgaredig (2 vacancies from 23 rd January 2024 – 1 nomination)	Cllr. Mansel Charles
Pembrey (1 vacancy – 1 nomination)	Mr J H Jones
Pontyberem (1 vacancy – 1 nomination)	Miss M Ff Thomas
Rhys Prichard (1 vacancy from 22 nd November 2023 – 1 nomination)	Mrs C Pritchard
Y Fro (1 vacancy – 1 nomination)	Miss M Phillips-Rees

Secondary School	Appointments
Bro Dinefwr (1 vacancy – 1 nomination)	Cllr. Arwel Davies
Coedcae (1 x vacancy – 1 nomination)	Mrs K Bowen

Emlyn (1 vacancy from 1 st February 2024 – 1 nomination)	Cllr. Hazel Evans
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4. ANNUAL REPORT ON THE WELSH LANGUAGE 2022-23

The Cabinet Member considered the Annual Report in relation to the Welsh language and compliance with the Welsh Language Standards during 2022-23. The report detailed the delivery, development and promotion of the Welsh language during the reporting period in accordance with the Welsh Language Commissioner’s monitoring arrangements. The Policy and Involvement Manager advised that the Welsh Language Annual Report for 2022-23 would be published on the Council's website.

RESOLVED that the Welsh Language Annual Report 2022-23 be received and published on the Council's website.

CABINET MEMBER

DATE

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Cabinet Member:	Portfolio:
Cllr. Glynog Davies	Education, Young People & the Welsh Language

APPOINTMENT OF LA GOVERNORS

Recommendations / key decisions required:
That the Cabinet Member makes appointments to the listed vacancies.

Reasons:
To meet statutory obligations of filling vacancies on Governing Bodies.

Directorate: Name of Head of Service: Gareth Morgans Report Author: Tanja Neumayer-James	Designation: Director – Dept for Education & Children Principal School Governance Officer	Tel No. 01267 246450 (Gareth Morgans) 01267 246448 E Mail Address: edgmorgans@cararthenshire.gov.uk TNeumayer-James@cararthenshire.gov.uk
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Declaration of Personal Interest (if any): None

Dispensation Granted to Make Decision (if any): N/A

DECISION MADE:

Signed: _____ **DATE:** _____

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER

The following section will be completed by the Democratic Services Officer in attendance at the meeting

Recommendation of Officer adopted	YES / NO
Recommendation of the Officer was adopted subject to the amendment(s) and reason(s) specified:	
Reason(s) why the Officer’s recommendation was not adopted:	

APPOINTMENT OF LA GOVERNORS

List for Consideration

24 January 2024

PRIMARY SCHOOL	NO. OF VACANCIES	NOMINATIONS NAME AND ADDRESS	NOMINATED BY	DETAILS
<p>Please note: CCC's 'The Appointment of LA Governors' states that, 'All County Councillors [when elected] may stipulate on which school governing bodies they will sit, and their decision will take preference over 'non-elected' LA governors'.</p>				
Brynsaron	2 (1 current and 1 from 27th March)	Cllr. Ken Howell Democratic Services County Hall Carmarthen SA31 1JP	n/a – elected member	Cllr. Ken Howell is seeking re-appointment as LA Governor on the Governing Body of Ysgol Brynsaron from 27 th March 2024.
Carreg Hirfaen	1	Rev. C. Hamilton	Mr A. Jones Evans, Headteacher	'Rev. Hamilton is an active member of the community and very supportive of the school.'
Cross Hands-Drefach Federation	2	Mr A. Arnott	Ms. K. Isaac, Chairperson	'Mr. Arnott has been an invaluable member of the governing body for many years. Mr. Arnott brings experience and professional skills which are exceptional to the role.' Ms Isaac is seeking Mr Arnott's re-appointment.
Dafen	1	Mr M. P. Jones	Mrs M. Davies, Acting Headteacher	'I would like to nominate Mr Jones as a Local Authority Governor as he is a local entrepreneur with a vested interest in the school and the locality as being a past pupil of Dafen Primary School.'
Ffwrnes	1	Mrs L. Edmunds	Mr S. Jones, Headteacher	'Mrs Edmunds has shown an interest in continuing to contribute to school life by being on the Governing Body. She has represented the school on the GB for the past four years as LA Governor and prior to that as Parent Governor. She has a child in school and has a very good understanding of the running of the school. I

				am aware of the skills she has that can reinforce and strengthen the school.’ Mr Jones is seeking Mrs Edmunds’ re-appointment.
Griffith Jones	1	Cllr. Philip Hughes Democratic Services County Hall Carmarthen SA31 1JP	n/a – elected member	Cllr. Philip Hughes is seeking re-appointment as LA Governor on the Governing Body of Ysgol Griffith Jones.
Hendy	1	Cllr. Gareth B Thomas Democratic Services County Hall Carmarthen SA31 1JP	n/a – elected member	Cllr. Gareth Thomas is seeking re-appointment as LA Governor on the Governing Body of Hendy School.
Llandybie	1 from 1 st Feb 24	Cllr. Anthony Davies Democratic Services County Hall Carmarthen SA31 1JP	n/a – elected member	Cllr. Anthony Davies is seeking re-appointment as LA Governor on the Governing Body of Llandybie School.
Llangadog	1	Mrs M. Scott	Comm. Cllr. D. Morgan, Chairperson	‘Mrs Scott has shown an interest in being a school governor. Coming from an education background, and a deputy head before returning to live in Wales, she has a understanding of school life. She currently works as a children’s education and lifelong learning and skills adviser for Natural Resources Wales and feels strongly that her experience and connections can benefit the children of our school. She has a strong sense of community and sits on the committee of the local rugby club.’
Meidrim	1	Cllr. Jean Lewis Democratic Services County Hall Carmarthen SA31 1JP	n/a – elected member	Cllr. Jean Lewis is seeking re-appointment as LA Governor on the Governing Body of Meidrim School.

Model	2	Mr D. Maynard	Mr N. Roberts, Chairperson	‘Mr Maynard is a former parent of a child within the Model Church in Wales Primary School and has a long standing connection. He has previous experience as a governor at another local primary school which will benefit our Governing Body. With his knowledge of the local community and public service, he will be an asset to the Governing Body.’
Nantgaredig	1	Mr H. Rees	Ms E. Jones, Chairperson	<p>‘I would like to nominate Mr Rees to continue on the Governing Body of Ysgol Nantgaredig as LA Governor.</p> <p>Mr Rees is an experienced governor and generously shares his experiences with the rest of the governing body. He often takes the role to mentor new governors.</p> <p>Mr Rees has demonstrated, and continues to demonstrate, a commitment to education and to Ysgol Nantgaredig. He volunteers frequently at the school. Over his past term, he has been available at short notice to offer wise advice and support to the Headteacher and the Governing Body. This has included the challenging times during many lockdowns. Mr Rees also represented the school's governors during the recent Estyn inspection.</p> <p>Mr Rees is a vital member of our community and receives much respect from the community thanks to his valuable contribution.</p> <p>During my very short time as Chair of Governors, I have already benefited from Mr Rees' experience and have witnessed his commitment to maintaining standards and policies.’</p> <p>Ms Jones is seeking Mr Rees' re-appointment.</p>

SECONDARY SCHOOL	NO. OF VACANCIES	NOMINATIONS NAME AND ADDRESS	NOMINATED BY	DETAILS
Dyffryn Taf	3 (2 current plus 1 from 27 th March)	Cllr. Sue Allen Democratic Services County Hall Carmarthen SA31 1JP Mrs K. Owen	n/a – elected member Mrs J. C. Kind, Chairperson	Cllr. Sue Allen is seeking re-appointment as LA Governor on the Governing Body of Dyffryn Taf from 27 th March 2024. 'Mrs Owen is a long-standing member of the community and a former pupil, as well as having her own children in the school. As a local businesswoman, she brings financial and strategic experience which will be invaluable to the Governing Body. She also has experience at a National Level in Wales – Women in Business.'
SPECIAL SCHOOL	NO. OF VACANCIES	NOMINATIONS NAME AND ADDRESS	NOMINATED BY	DETAILS
n/a				