

CABINET

20TH DECEMBER 2021

CARMARTHENSHIRE ADMISSIONS FORUM MEMBERSHIP

Purpose:

To-re-appoint the current elected member representatives on the Panel.

Recommendations / key decisions required:

That the current elected member representatives on the Panel, as detailed within the report be re-appointed to the Admissions Forum up to the 9th May 2022.

Reasons:

There is a requirement to review core members of the Admissions Forum every 4 years, whilst appointment tenure would normally follow local government election terms, the decision to postpone the LG Elections until 2022 means that the appointment process needs to be undertaken as the 4-year term has come to an end.

Relevant scrutiny committee to be consulted: NO

Cabinet Decision Required: YES

Council Decision NO

CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER:

Cllr Glynog Davies - Cabinet Member for Education

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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In accordance with the LA appointment policy for Admissions Forum Members, there is a requirement to review core members and school members of the Forum every 4 years.

The last full membership review took place in Autumn 2017, (a political balance change also occurred in February 2018) a review was therefore necessary in Autumn 2021. The renewal of membership would normally fall in sync with the County Council members election, however due to the Welsh Government elections in 2021, local Council elections were delayed a year to 2022.

To comply with the Welsh Government School Admissions Code, there is a need to re-elect the core members for the period from November 2021 to the Local Government Elections in May 2022. Following the County Council elections, a full review of the Forum members will take place and subsequently every 4th year. Confirmation has been received from Welsh Government that re-appointment of existing members is acceptable.

All existing core elected members (Councillors Tyssul Evans, Elwyn Williams and David Thomas (Plaid Cymru; Councillor Bill Thomas (Labour) and Councillor Giles Morgan (Independent) have confirmed in writing that they are happy to be re-elected and Carmarthenshire's Admissions Forum discussed and supported this approach at its meeting on Thursday 25th November 2021.

The Admissions Forum was established as an Advisory Panel to the Cabinet, therefore a formal decision by the Cabinet is needed in order for the elected member representatives to be re-appointed for the remaining term of the existing Council. A separate report will be taken to a Cabinet Member Decisions meeting on the re-appointment of the remaining core members of the Forum in accordance with the agreed appointments process.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?

NO

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report:

Signed

**Linda Rees Jones Head of Administration and Law
Simon Davies - Head of Access to Education**

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
NONE	YES	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE

2. Legal

The Education (Admission Forums) (Wales) Regulations 2003 sets out the membership of Admission Forums and the tenure of those members.

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below

Signed:

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Simon Davies - Head of Access to Education**

1. Scrutiny Committee - N/A

2. Local Member(s) - N/A

3. Community / Town Council - N/A

4. Relevant Partners - N/A

5. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations - N/A

**CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO
HOLDER AWARE/CONSULTED**

YES

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

Title of Document	File Ref No.	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
The Education (Admission Forums) (Wales) Regulations 2003		https://www.legislation.gov.uk/wsi/2003/2962/contents/made
Executive Board Meeting 31 st July 2017		https://democracy.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=131&MId=756&Ver=4