



## **TO THE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

### **SCHOOL GOVERNING BODIES – APPOINTMENT OF LEA SCHOOL GOVERNORS**

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#### **1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

- 1.1 To consider and appoint LEA Governors.

#### **2. BACKGROUND AND EXTERNAL CONSULTATION**

- 2.1 Members are required to consider vacancies for LEA Appointed School Governors which have arisen as a result of resignations, the expiry of terms of office or the removal of Governors due to non-attendance, and any vacancies deferred from previous meetings of Corporate Affairs Committee.
- 2.2 Members are required to consider certain Governors whose terms of office which have expired on 12 June or will expire on 31 August, 4 September and 31 December 2004
- 2.3 There are currently 12 vacancies out of a total of 142 Governorships for LEA Representatives, this equates to 8%
- 2.4 In view of the forthcoming changes to Governing Body constitutional arrangements where the number of LEA Governors on each Governing Body is likely to reduce, it is suggested that consideration be given to ensuring there is adequate LEA representation on all Governing Bodies. Where there is only one vacancy the filling of this is not a priority, however we would not discourage any new nominees received provided they understand that the situation may change within the next year.

### **3. OPTION APPRAISAL/RISK ASSESSMENT**

3.1 Unless the LEA is adequately represented on Governing Bodies not functioning to their optimum performance

### **4. FINANCIAL, LEGAL AND WARD IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 Financial – No implications

4.2 Ward Implications – All wards

4.2 Legal Implications – The LEA have a duty to appoint its members onto Governing Bodies.

### **5. RECOMMENDATIONS**

5.1 It is recommended that appointments be made in respect of LEA Appointed School Governor vacancies which are detailed in Appendix 1.

### **6. REASONS**

6.1 To ensure Governing Bodies are fully constituted with LEA appointed Governors.

### **7. BACKGROUND PAPERS**

7.1 The following background papers were used in the preparation of this report:

- Return Sheet for Prospective Governors.

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