

Title of Report	Nomination for Appointment of Local Authority Governors	
Key Decision No	Non Key Decision	
For Consideration By	Cabinet	
Meeting Date	22 January 2023	
Cabinet Member	N/A	
Classification	Open	
Wards Affected	London Fields (St Paul's with St Michael's) Hoxton East and Shoreditch (St Monica's) Cazenove (Jubilee)	
Key Decision & Reason	No	The appointment of Local Authority Governors do not impact two or more wards, and do not incur expenditure over £1 million.
Implementation Date if Not Called In	N/A	
Group Director	Jacquie Burke, Group Director of Children and Education	

1. **Recommendations**

- 1.1. **Cabinet is recommended to approve the following nominations as set out below:**

Governing Body	Name	Date Effective
St Paul's with St Michael's C of E Primary School	Alex Doherty	22 January 2024
St Monica's Catholic Primary School	James Hill	22 January 2024
Jubilee Primary School	Max Lawton	22 January 2024

2. **Background**

- 2.1 The School Governance Constitution (England) Regulations 2012 (the Constitution Regulations) require that for each maintained school the

Governing Board has one Local Authority Governor (LA Governor). LA Governors are nominated by the Local Authority and appointed by the Governing Board. The Governing Board must provide the Local Authority with eligibility criteria for a vacant LA Governor position. These must include the credentials and skills candidates should possess. The school may wish to put forward an individual to be considered by the Local Authority for nomination. The Governing Board decides first if the proposed candidate meets the specified criteria and is eligible to be an LA Governor. The Local Authority then nominates the candidate. The Governing Board then appoints the nominee at a meeting of its full Governing Board. Once appointed, LA Governors must govern in the interests of the school.

- 2.2 For St Paul's with St Michael's School the Vice -Chair of governors has supported the nomination as follows:

Alex is a longstanding governor with substantial experience who gives effective leadership to the board. At the meeting held on 5 December the governors unanimously voted to propose him for nomination as local authority governor. Alex is fully committed to the school, he raises very good questions whether we are discussing the children's achievements, their progress, and can recall key information about a particular school cohort and how that will affect them later on when doing their SATS, and how we can convey that information either to Ofsted or our SIP. He provides valuable insight with regard to the finances and is very supportive of both the Headteacher and all the relevant teaching and support staff. He led the Recruitment Panel when the previous Headteacher stepped down and was in regular contact with the school during the pandemic.

- 2.3 For St Monica's School the Chair has commented:

James has supported St Monica's diligently over the last four years, as Vice Chair of the Governing Body and Chair of the Resources Committee. As a current Nurse Manager at a very large hospital, he understands the importance of critical thinking and effective decision making and actively challenges the school in a structured and professional manner. He is a valued member of the GB.

- 2.4 For Jubilee Primary School the Head has written:

Max has been a solid, experienced member of the board since his appointment on 5 February 2020. He currently serves as Vice Chair & Chair, Teaching & Learning Committee and sits on the School Pay Committee. He is link governor for Quality First Teaching and has contributed to the boards' diversity initiatives resulting in wider representation on the board of our pupils' ethnic backgrounds as well as a younger demographic. Max has good communication skills, is respected by his fellow governors and committed to the continuing work that Jubilee undertakes to improve the learning experiences of all our pupils, whether those with learning difficulties or those working at greater depth. He was recently appointed as an Assistant Head,

Stebon Primary School, The LETTA Trust, and this allows shared learning of good practice across schools.

3. **Comments of the Interim Group Director, Finance**

There are no financial implications to these appointments.

4. **Comments of the Acting Director of Legal, Democratic and Electoral Services**

The Education lawyer has reviewed these nominations.

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