

PART 3

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STATUTORY AND ADVISORY BODIES

Adoption Panel	1 member of the Authority plus up to 9 other qualified persons (with a quorum of 5) as set out in the Adoption Agencies Regulations 2005 (<u>Note</u> : The member of the authority should either be a member of the Cabinet or of the Children and Families Overview and Scrutiny Committee).	To make recommendations to the Adoption Agency in respect of children and prospective adopters.
Fostering Panel	3 members of the Authority plus other representatives.	The Fostering Panel is an advisory body that makes recommendations to the Director for Children's Services in respect of fostering.
Review Panel (Complaints Procedure)	3 members from pool of independent members	Under the NHS and Community Care Act, 1990 and the Children Act 1989, to consider the Investigating Officers' reports into complaints where the complainant is dissatisfied with the response of the Adult Social Services Department or Children's and Young People's Department. Comments made by the Director for Adult Care and Health or Director for Children's Services in response to the Review Panel's decisions shall be considered by the relevant Cabinet member, Overview and Scrutiny Committee Chair and party spokespersons (unless any of them were members of the Review Panel in question).

Independent Remuneration Panel	At least 3 persons who are not members of the Council (and who are not disqualified from being a member) including a representative of the business community and the voluntary sector	<p>To make recommendations to the Council on Members' remuneration and allowances and any proposals for amendments to the Scheme of Members' Allowances, including:-</p> <p>The amount of basic allowances;</p> <p>The duties of Councillors that should be the subject to a special responsibility allowance;</p> <p>Whether child care and dependent care allowances should be available for Councillors.</p>
Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education	6 Members of the Council as local education authority and 6 teacher representatives, 6 Church of England representatives and 10 representatives of other religions	To advise the LEA on religious worship and education and to determine applications made by Headteachers under Section 394 of the Education Act 1996.
Wirral Schools Forum: Funding Consultative Group	<p><u>Schools Group (20):</u></p> <p>5 Primary school headteachers 4 Secondary school headteachers 1 Special School Headteacher 5 Primary school governors 4 Secondary school governors 1 Special school governor</p> <p><u>Non-Schools Group (8)</u></p> <p>1 Church of England representative 1 Roman Catholic representative 1 The 14-19 Partnership 1 Teacher representative 1 Non-teacher representative 2 The PVI Early Years Providers 1 LSC observer</p>	To advise the Council on financial issues affecting schools and, in particular, the amount of funding made available to schools and the way it is shared among them.

<p>School Admissions Forum</p>	<p>Membership to be determined by the Cabinet, within the following limits:</p> <p>1 to 5 representatives of the LEA 1 to 3: community and voluntary controlled schools 1 to 3: foundation schools 1 to 3: voluntary aided schools 1 to 3: Church of England Diocese 1 to 3: Catholic Diocese 1 to 3: parent governors Up to 3 from local community The Forum can also ask for other representation</p>	<p>To advise the Council on arrangements for the admission of pupils to the various categories of schools.</p>
<p>Children and Young People's Strategic Management Board</p>	<p>Chair (Cabinet Member for Children's Services) Wirral Council (2 plus the Chair) Wirral PCT* (2) Wirral Hospital Trust (1) Cheshire & Wirral Partnership Trust (1) Connexions (1) Police (1) Schools (Headteachers) (2) Learning and Skills Council (1) Voluntary and Community Sector (3) Director of Children's Services (ex officio)</p>	<p>To co-ordinate services for children and young people and to make recommendations to appropriate partner organisations with respect to the measures that are needed to improve children's well-being.</p>
<p>Discharge from Guardianship By Wirral Council under the Mental Health Act 1983 Panel</p>	<p>3 Members (To be determined)</p>	<p>To hear requests to discharge service users subject to guardianship upon the application of a professional responsible for their care.</p>

Education Staff Panel	7 Members	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. In relation to schools not subject to a scheme of delegation, to hear and determine appeals arising out of the procedure for the dismissal of teachers as contained in the regulations governing their appointment and conditions of service. 2. To determine appeals by teachers against proposals to dismiss made by the Director for Children's Services under the Education (Teachers) regulations 1993, or as subsequently amended or re-enacted.
Headteacher Appointments Panel	4 Members	To participate in and approve the appointment of headteachers of schools not subject to a scheme of delegation.
Local Pension Board	<p>The Board shall consist of 8 voting members to be constituted as follows:</p> <p>Four employer representatives, of whom;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two shall be nominated from Local Authorities, Police/ Fire/ Transport Authorities, Parish Councils • One from the Academies / Further/Higher Education Bodies • One from Admitted Bodies excluding employers admitted by virtue of undertaking a commercial contract connected to a function of a scheme employer. 	<p>The purpose of the Board is to assist the Administering Authority in its role as a scheme manager of the Scheme. Such assistance is to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) secure compliance with the Regulations, any other legislation relating to the governance and administration of the Scheme, and requirements imposed by the Pension Regulator in relation to the Scheme and; b) ensure the effective and efficient governance and administration of Merseyside Pension Fund. c) provide the Scheme Manager with such information as it requires ensuring that any member of the Pension Board or person to be appointed to the Board does not have a conflict of interest.