EXECUTIVE MEMBER DECISION FORM

DECISION TO BE TAKEN BY: COUNCILLOR TOM USHER

KEY DECISION: NO

PORTFOLIO AREA: CHILDREN FAMILIES AND EDUCATION

PORTFOLIOS AFFECTED: CHILDREN FAMILIES AND EDUCATION

WARDS AFFECTED: ALL WARDS

SUBJECT: APPOINTMENT OF A PANEL MEMBER TO THE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL APPEALS PANEL

The report advises of the statutory requirement to appoint members to sit on School Admission Appeals.

It invites the Cabinet Member for Children Families and Education to consider an application from a member of the public to sit on School Admission Appeals as a Panel Member.

1. RECOMMENDATION:

1.1. That Brenda Thompson be appointed to the pool of Panel Members for the School Appeals Panel.

2. REASONS FOR THE DECISION

- 2.1. Mrs Thompson has applied to become a member of the Independent School Appeals Panel. She is a retired teacher and has 12 years' experience on School Appeal Panels including the role of Chair.
- 2.2 Mrs Thompson is considered appropriate to be appointed for the role of Panel Member on School Admission Appeals as she is someone who has experience in education and is acquainted with education conditions in the local authority area.
- 2.3 There appears to be no bar to the applicant sitting as a Panel Member on Panels for Community and Controlled Schools, CE and RC Voluntary Aided Schools or Foundation and Academy Schools.

3. STATEMENT OF COMPLIANCE

3.1 The recommendations are made further to legal advice from the Monitoring Officer and the Section 151 Officer who confirmed that they do not incur unlawful expenditure. They are also compliant with equality legislation and an equality analysis and impact assessment has been completed. The recommendations reflect the core principles of good governance set out in the Council's Code of Corporate Governance.

Signed:

Executive Member:

Date: 04/11/19

Also present:

Signed:

Paur Rose

Chief Officer: Paul Boyce

Date: 28 October 2019

Date of Senior Policy Team Meeting(s):

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