
RECORD OF DECISION BY CABINET MEMBER

Decision taken by:

Lead Member for Education, Children's Services and Public Engagement

Date of Decision:

28 September 2021

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APPOINTMENT OF INDEPENDENT EDUCATION APPEAL PANEL MEMBERS

That the Lead Member for Education, Children's Services and Public Engagement appoint the following members to the independent Education Appeal Panel - Leonard Rhys Evans, Linda Williams, Julie Parry, Jo Goodchild.

Purpose of Decision:

The Local Authority is obliged to advertise and appoint members to the Independent Education Appeal Panel. These panel members will hear appeals from parents in relation to Admissions and Exclusion. Every 3 years the Local Authority must advertise for and appoint new members to the panel. Advertisements were circulated in March 2021 and a number of new members have volunteered their services. This report outlines the role of the panel members and seeks approval from the Lead Member for the approval of the new lay panel members.

Reasons for Decision:

A decision is sought from the Lead Member that he approves the appointment of those persons named in Appendix 1 as new lay members to the Independent Education Appeal Panel, providing that these members shall receive training.

Interests Declared:

No interest to declare.

Consultation:

Representatives from Education Service have been kept up to date with the applications from the public to become Panel Members. It would have been inappropriate for any member of the Admission Authority or

Customers and Education Support to have been directly involved in the recruitment process as the panel members, by their nature, must be independent of the Admission Authority.

Officers from the Education service were invited to attend the training day which took place on 29th and 30th April 2021.

A copy of this report was circulated around the required consultees in advance of being put before the Lead Member.

No Equality Impact Assessment Screening has been undertaken. Applications were accepted from all persons who volunteered to join the panel.

Authority for delegation of the decision to the Cabinet Member:

See Scheme of Delegation.