

# Report

Report to:	<b>Executive Committee</b>
Date of Meeting:	<b>1 February 2023</b>
Report by:	<b>Executive Director (Education Resources) Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)</b>

Subject:	<b>External Representation on the Education Resources Committee - Update</b>
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## 1. Purpose of Report

1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-

- ♦ provide an update on the arrangements for the appointment of representatives other than councillors to serve on the Education Resources Committee

## 2. Recommendation(s)

2.1. The Committee is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-

- (1) that the appointment of Jennifer Gaffney and Joan Lennon as the new Teacher representatives on the Education Resources Committee be confirmed; and
- (2) that the progress on the appointment of the 2 new Parent Council representatives and the 1 remaining religious representative on the Education Resources Committee be noted.

## 3. Background

3.1. At its meeting on 29 June 2022, the Committee agreed that the election and selection procedures to obtain specified categories of religious and parent/carer representation on the Education Resources Committee be approved.

## 4. Update on Appointment of 2 Teacher Representatives

4.1. All teachers permanently employed in educational establishments under the management of the Council and registered with the General Teaching Council were invited to apply to serve as a teacher representative on the Education Resources Committee, by the closing date of 13 October 2022.

4.2. At the close of nominations, 2 applications had been received. On that basis, it is proposed that the following 2 applicants be confirmed as the new teacher representatives on the Education Resources Committee:-

- ♦ Jennifer Gaffney, St Andrew's and St Bride's High School, East Kilbride
- ♦ Joan Lennon, Our Lady and St Anne's Primary School, Hamilton

## 5. Update on Appointment of 2 Parent/Carer Representatives

5.1. All Parent Councils were invited to submit nominations to serve on the Education Resources Committee by 31 October 2022.

- 5.2 Each Parent Council could nominate 1 member provided that the nomination was proposed at a formal meeting of the Parent Council.
- 5.3 Each nominee was invited to provide a statement of support.
- 5.4 At the close of nominations, 4 applications had been received for the 2 available places. Arrangements will be made for the Chair/Depute of the Education Resources Committee, Executive Director (Education Resources) and Operations Manager, Education Resources, to interview each nominee.
- 5.5 Details of the 2 applicants to be confirmed as the new Parent Council representatives on the Education Resources Committee will be reported to a future meeting of this Committee.

## **6 Update on Appointment of Third Religious Representative**

- 6.1 At its meeting on 29 June 2022, the Committee was advised that the Church of Scotland had confirmed Mrs Gillian Coulter as the religious adviser and the Roman Catholic Church had confirmed that they would wish Mr John Mulligan to continue to serve as religious adviser on the Education Resources Committee. As there is no specified method detailed in the appropriate legislation for selecting a third religious representative to serve on the Education Resources Committee, an advertisement, as has been the case in previous years, was placed in local newspapers requesting nominations for a person interested in the promotion of religious and moral education. At the closure of the nomination period, 2 nominations had been received for the 1 remaining place and arrangements are currently ongoing regarding this appointment

## **7 Employee Implications**

- 7.1 Appropriate cover arrangements for Teacher representatives when meetings are taking place will be required.

## **7 Financial Implications**

- 7.1 The appointment of representatives to serve on the Education Resources Committee can be met from within existing resources.

## **8 Climate Change, Sustainability and Environmental Implications**

- 8.1 There are no implications for the environment, climate change or sustainability in terms of the information contained in this report

## **9 Other Implications**

- 9.1 There are no risk implications in terms of the information contained in this report.

## **10 Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements**

- 10.1 This report does not introduce a new policy, function or strategy or recommend a change to an existing policy, function or strategy and, therefore, no impact assessment is required.
- 9.2 Information on the nomination process for Parent Council representation was issued to all Parent Councils.
- 9.3. Information on the nomination process for Teacher representation was issued to headteachers, heads of educational establishments and staff associations. Information was also contained in the Education newsletter.

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**Link(s) to Council Values/Priorities/Outcomes**

- ◆ Accountable, effective, efficient, transparent

**Previous references**

- ◆ None

**List of Background Papers**

- ◆ None

**Contact for Further Information**

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