

#### **Democratic Services**

Location: Phase II

Ext: 0185

**DDI:** 01895 250185

My Ref: 226

To: COUNCILLOR SUSAN O'BRIEN
CABINET MEMBER FOR FAMILIES, EDUCATION
AND WELLBEING

c.c. All Members of Families, Health and Wellbeing

Select Committee

c.c. Dan Kennedy, Corporate Director – Planning, Environment, Education and Community Services

c.c. Mr Tony Little

c.c. Ward Councillors for Manor

c.c. Conservative and Labour Group Offices

(inspection copy)

Date: 15 July 2021

# **Non-Key Decision request**

Form D

# SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY CONSTITUTION - VARIATION OF INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT OF LADY BANKES SCHOOLS

**Dear Cabinet Member** 

Attached is a report requesting that a decision be made by you as an individual Cabinet Member. Democratic Services confirm that this is not a key decision, as such the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Meetings and Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2012 notice period does not apply.

You should take a decision **on or after Friday 23 July 2021** in order to meet Constitutional requirements about publication of decisions that are to be made. You may wish to discuss the report with the Corporate Director before it is made. Please indicate your decision on the duplicate memo supplied, and return it to me when you have made your decision. I will then arrange for the formal notice of decision to be published.

Liz Penny Democratic Services Officer

Title of Report: School Governing Body Constitution - Variation of Instrument of Government of Lady Bankes Schools

Decision made:	
Reasons for your decision: (e.g. as stated in report)	
Alternatives considered and rejected: (e.g. as stated in report)	
SignedDate	
Cabinet Member for Families, Education and Wellbeing	



# School Governing Body Constitution - Variation of Instrument of Government of Lady Bankes Schools

Cabinet Member(s)	Councillor Susan O'Brien
Cabinet Portfolio(s)	Cabinet Member for Families, Education and Wellbeing
Officer Contact(s)	Dan Kennedy, Planning, Environment, Education and Community Services
Papers with report	FGB minutes, draft and proposed Instrument of Government
HEADLINES	
Summary	This report seeks approval to a Variation of Instrument of Government for the Governing Body of Lady Bankes Infant and Junior Schools amalgamating to Lady Bankes Primary School.
Putting our Residents First	N/A
Financial Cost	None
Relevant Select Committee	Families, Health & Wellbeing Select Committee
Relevant Ward(s)	Manor

### RECOMMENDATION

That the Cabinet Member for Families, Education and Wellbeing agrees to the Variation of Instrument of Government for the Governing Body of Lady Bankes Schools.

# SUPPORTING INFORMATION

## **Reasons for Recommendation**

The Governing Body of Lady Bankes Schools (amalgamated school as of September 2021) would like to decrease their membership by four governors and change the name of the governing body to the Governing Body of Lady Bankes Primary School to reflect the successful amalgamation of



both Infant and Junior Schools. They currently have 18 members; the proposed change would decrease this number to 14 members in total.

The Council's School Governance Team has confirmed that the Governing Body of Lady Bankes Schools have submitted the correct documentation.

## **Alternative Options Considered**

The Cabinet Member could decline to approve the variation or request more information about it.

#### **Comments of Select Committee(s)**

None at this stage.

## RESIDENT BENEFIT & CONSULTATION

#### What will be the effect of the recommendation?

School governing Bodies will operate effectively with their full complement of LA Governors.

#### Consultation carried out or required

None.

### CORPORATE CONSIDERATIONS

#### **Corporate Finance**

Corporate Finance has reviewed this report and there are no financial implications arising from the recommendation.

#### Legal

There are no legal implications arising from this report. The governing bodies of local authority maintained schools must be constituted in accordance with regulation 13 of The School Governance (Constitution) (England) Regulations 2012. The total membership of the governing body of a maintained school must be no fewer than seven governors; there is no upper limit on the size of governing bodies.

### **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

NIL.



# **TITLE OF ANY APPENDICES**

Previous Instrument of Government Revised Instrument of Government Full Governing Body minutes