

#### **Democratic Services**

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To: COUNCILLOR SUSAN O'BRIEN
CABINET MEMBER FOR CHILDREN, FAMILIES &
EDUCATION

c.c. All Members of the Children, Families and

**Education Select Committee** 

c.c. Nicki O'Flanagan - Education Improvement &

**Partnerships** 

**Date:** 6 June 2024

# Non-Key Decision request

Form D

SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY CONSTITUTIONS - VARIATION OF INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT FOR WHITEHEATH INFANT & NURSERY SCHOOL

Dear Cabinet Members,

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 14 June 2024** 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		

**Title of Report:** School Governing Body Constitutions - Variation of Instrument of Government for Whiteheath Infant & Nursery School

#### **Decision made:**

Reasons for your decision: (e.g. as stated in report)	
Alternatives considered and rejected: (e.g. as stated	in report)
Signed	Date

Cabinet Member for Children, Families & Education



# SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY CONSTITUTIONS - VARIATION OF INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT FOR WHITEHEATH INFANT & NURSERY SCHOOL

 Cabinet Member(s)
 Councillor Susan O'Brien

 Cabinet Portfolio(s)
 Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Education

 Officer Contact(s)
 Nicki O'Flanagan – Education Improvement & Partnerships Service

 Papers with report
 For the attention of the Cabinet Member only:

 Appendix A - Instrument of Government
 Appendix B - Minutes

## **HEADLINES**

Summary

This report seeks approval to the Variation of Instrument of Government for Whiteheath Infant & Nursery School

Putting our Residents First

Delivering on the Council Strategy 2022-2026

This report supports our ambition for residents / the Council of: An efficient, well-run, digital-enabled council working with partners to deliver services to improve the lives of all our residents

This report supports our commitments to residents of: Safe and Strong Communities

**Financial Cost** 

None

Relevant Select Committee

Children, Families and Education Select Committee

Relevant Ward(s)

Ruislip

# RECOMMENDATION

That the Cabinet Member for Children, Families and Education agrees to the Variation of Instrument of Government for Whiteheath Infant & Nursery School.

#### Reasons for recommendation

The Governing Body of Whiteheath Infant & Nursery School would like to change their membership of governors by decreasing the number of parent governors by 2 and increasing the number of co-opted governors by 2. The total number of governors will remain as 11.



### Alternative options considered / risk management

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

#### **Select Committee comments**

None at this stage.

#### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Appendix A - Instrument\_Of\_Government Whiteheath Infant School May 2024.doc Appendix B - WHIS FGB Minutes - 05.02.24 minutes draft F2.pdf

#### **Financial Implications**

The increase in the number of governors for Whiteheath Infant & Nursery School does not have any financial implications to be included in this report. This is regarding the governance of the school and does not impact upon the overall school's budget.

### RESIDENT BENEFIT & CONSULTATION

#### The benefit or impact upon Hillingdon residents, service users and communities

The school Governing Body will operate effectively with a broad and balanced set of Governors.

#### Consultation carried out or required

None.

## **CORPORATE CONSIDERATIONS**

#### Corporate Finance

Corporate Finance have reviewed this report and concur with the Financial Implications set out above, noting there are no direct financial implications associated with the recommendation in this report.

#### 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 The School Governance (Constitution) (England) Regulations 2012. There is no upper limit on the size of governing bodies, and they may appoint as many co-opted governors as they consider necessary. The number of



co-opted governors who are eligible to be elected or appointed as staff governors must not, when counted with the one staff governor and the headteacher, exceed one-third of the total membership of the governing body. There must be a minimum of 2 parent governors.

# **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Nil.

# TITLE OF ANY APPENDICES

Appendix A - Instrument\_Of\_Government Whiteheath Infant School May 2024.doc Appendix B - WHIS FGB Minutes - 05.02.24 minutes draft F2.pdf