

## **GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE**

**9 March 2016**

**Subject Heading:**

**APPOINTMENTS TO OTHER  
ORGANISATIONS, 2015/16**

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**Policy context:**

The Council appoints Members and  
others to serve on a variety of other  
bodies

**Financial summary:**

There are no significant financial  
implications.

**The subject matter of this report deals with the following Council  
Objectives**

Havering will be clean and its environment will be cared for  
People will be safe, in their homes and in the community  
Residents will be proud to live in Havering

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**SUMMARY**

The Council makes appointments to a large number of other organisations, some statutory, others voluntary.

Since the new executive governance arrangements came into force, responsibility for making some appointments has passed from this Committee to the Leader of the Council but the Constitution provides that in the case of non-executive appointments, it is for this Committee to make decisions

## RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Committee:

1. In respect of the Havering Sixth Form College, **nominate Councillor Wendy Brice-Thompson** to be a Governor of the Havering Sixth Form College.
2. In respect of the Poyntz Charity, consider the **re-appointment of Councillor June Alexander, Mr David Livermore and the Reverend Michael Sparrow** until March 2020.

## REPORT DETAIL

### 1. HAVERING SIXTH FORM COLLEGE:

- 1.1 The Council makes two nominations to the Governing Body of Havering Sixth Form College, who are appointed by the College's Search committee for four year terms of office.
- 1.2 The current appointees are Councillor Meg Davis and Councillor Wendy Brice-Thompson. Councillor Brice-Thompson's term of office will expire in September 2016. Councillor Brice-Thompson is eligible for re-appointment and wishes to continue as a Governor of the Sixth Form College. The College have also indicated that they would very much like Councillor Brice-Thompson to remain on the Governing Body, but if she is to be replaced, it should be noted that an appointee need not be a Member of the Council.

### 2. THE POYNTZ TRUST (Richard Poyntz's and Other Charities, North Ockenden):

- 2.1 This small, local charity was established in the 1930's to administer benefits for the poor, including some alms houses in North Ockendon (Remembrance Cottages). The Council appoints three of the trustees for a term of four years: one as owner of Stubbers, the others in accordance with the charity's trust deed. Two further trustees are co-opted by the three appointed trustees. The term of office of the current trustees will expire in March 2016. Trustees can be Members of the Council, but it is not a requirement of the scheme of appointment.
- 2.2 The charity has asked the Council to re-appoint Councillor June Alexander and a local resident, Mr David Livermore. Councillor Alexander has been a trustee since 2003 and Mr Livermore was appointed in 2007. Both have indicated that they wish to be re-appointed.

- 2.3** Under the scheme of appointment, the Parish Priest of St Mary Magdalene's, North Ockenden (currently the Reverend Michael Sparrow) is one of the representative trustees of the charity.

## **IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS**

### **Equalities and Social Inclusion Implications and Risks**

There are no specific implications or risks. Appointments should be made with the Council's equalities policies in mind.

### **Legal, Finance and Environmental Implications and Risks**

These appointments are administrative and have no direct legal, financial or environmental implications or risks. In some cases, membership of an organisation is dependent upon the Council paying a subscription: where relevant, the subscription will be met from within an appropriate budget provision.

Members who sit on outside bodies will need to consider whether (a) they are required to register their interests with the Council and, where appropriate, declare the interests at meetings and (b) seek advice when they are potentially involved in Council decisions that may affect the outside body. As there is no remuneration for the appointments, they are very unlikely to be discloseable pecuniary interests. Trustee status means that the trustee must always act in the best interests of the trust. The Monitoring Officer is available to provide advice as and when necessary.

## **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

A number of files are held by Democratic Services which provide information on the organisations to which appointments are being made.