

Stourbridge Area Committee – 16th November, 2009

Appointment to Thomas Hill Education Foundation

Report of the Interim Director of Law, Property and Human Resources

Purpose of Report

1. To consider the appointment of a representative to serve on the Thomas Hill Educational Foundation.

Background

- 2. The Council, in June, 2008, agreed to appoint, commencing on 31st January, 2009, as one of the two Council Representative Trustees to the Foundation, Honorary Alderman John Simpson for the three year period ending on 31st January, 2012. The Council's other Representative trustee is Councillor Ms Partridge, a trustee since 2003,whose current period of office also expires on 31st January, 2012.
- 3. As Members will be aware Honorary Alderman Simpson has died recently thereby creating a vacancy on this body. Members are therefore asked to consider the appointment of a further person to this body for the remainder of the current three year period to 31st January, 2012.
- 4. The nominative Trustee may be, but need not be, a member of the Council.
- 5. The Scheme in respect of this Foundation, dated 24th November,1938, refers to the Trustees assisting, by the application of net income, to attend schools, institutions, or classes for the purpose of education other than elementary, or to attend a course for older children at a Public Elementary School, by paying their fees or travelling or other incidental expenses, or by providing them with maintenance allowances, provided that the candidates for these benefits shall be boys or girls resident in the beneficial area which is described as the Lye and Wollescote Wards of the Borough of Stourbridge, and who, in the opinion of the Trustees, are in need of financial assistance.

Finance

There are no direct financial implications to the Council arising from the proposals contained in this report.

Law

- The provisions relating to the above matter are contained in Section 111 of the Local Government Act, 1972, which enables the Council to do anything that is calculated to facilitate or is conducive to or incidental to the discharge of its various statutory functions.
- The rules of 'proportionality' to reflect political balance do not apply to the appointment referred to in this report.

Equality Impact

9 There are no direct equality implications arising in respect of this report.

Recommendation

10 That consideration be given to the appointment of a Representative Trustee to the Thomas Hill Educational Foundation for the remainder of the three year period ending on 31st January, 2012.

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