

DUDLEY SCHOOLS FORUM

MEMBERSHIP OF SCHOOLS FORUM

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY TO THE FORUM

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To note the composition of the Schools Forum and the requirements under the constitution regarding periods of office.

2.0 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Dudley Schools Forum was set up by the Council under the Schools Forum (England) Regulations, 2002 with a Constitution determined by the Lead Member for Lifelong Learning through the Council's decision making process.
- 2.2 The composition of the Forum is as follows:-

Schools Members

One secondary school headteacher for each of the five townships, nominated by the Secondary Headteachers Forum.	5
One Secondary school governor for each of the five townships, nominated by the Dudley Association of Governing Bodies Executive	5
One primary school headteacher for each of the five townships, nominated by the Primary Headteachers Forum	5
One primary school governor for each of the five townships, nominated by the Dudley Association of Governing Bodies Executive	5
One special school headteacher, nominated by special school Headteachers	1

One special school governor, nominated by the Dudley Association of Governing Bodies Executive 1

#### Non-Schools Members

One representative of the recognised Unions and Professional Associations, nominated by the staff side of the Directorate Joint Consultative Committee 1

One representative of the Dudley Early Years Development and Childcare Partnership nominated by the Partnership 1

One representative of the Black Country Learning Skills Council, nominated By the LSC 1

One representative of the Worcester Diocesan Board of Education, nominated By the Board 1

One representative of the Catholic Schools Commission, nominated by the Commission 1

Total Schools Members 22

Total Non-Schools Members 5

Total Membership 27

The Constitution also provides for the Lead Member for Education, the Chairman of the Select Committee on Lifelong Learning and the Director of Education and Lifelong Learning of Dudley MBC, who are not members of the Forum, to have attendance and speaking rights at meetings.

2.3 Regarding the membership of the Forum the Constitution provides as follows:-

“that the first elections and appointments will be made for the period from 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2002 to 30<sup>th</sup> September 2005, and thence for successive periods of 3 years.” The current membership of the Forum is attached for information as Appendix 1 to this report.

2.4 In order to secure nominations for service for the three year period from 1<sup>st</sup> October, 2005 to 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2008, nominations have been sought from the following persons/bodies, as indicated. In order that the nominations may be approved by Dudley MBC through its decision making machinery, as

required under the Constitution, the closing date for receipt of nominations has been set at 20<sup>th</sup> August, 2005;

### Schools Members

Secondary Headteachers Representatives - Secretary to the Secondary Head Teachers' Forum, Mr T Johnson, Head Teacher, Castle High School (via the PA to the Head Teacher, Ms T Jones).

Secondary Governor Representatives - Dudley Association of Governing Bodies.

Primary Headteachers Representatives - Primary Head Teachers' Forum through Mr A Slack, Head Teacher, Straits Primary School.

Primary Governor Representatives - Dudley Association of Governing Bodies.

Special Schools' Representative – Chairman of Special Heads Group, Mr D Bishop-Rowe, Headteacher, the Sutton School.

Special School Governor – Dudley Association of Governing Bodies.

### Non Schools Members

Unions and Professional Associations Representative - Mrs L Morgan-Danks, Directorate of Education and Lifelong Learning, Dudley MBC.

Early Years Development and Child Care Partnership Representative – Ms H Kew, Head of Early Years and Child Care, Directorate of Education and Lifelong Learning, Dudley MBC.

Worcester Diocesan Board of Education Representative – Reverend D Morphy, Director of Education, Diocese of Worcester Board of Education.

Catholic Schools Commission Representative – Father M Stock, Director of Schools, Archdiocese of Birmingham.

Black Country Learning and Skills Council Representative – LSC.

## 3.0 FINANCE

- 3.1 Subject to paragraph 4.2 below, there are no direct financial implications.
- 3.2 Dudley MBC has a budget for the Schools Forum from which the costs of seeking nominees can be met.

4.0 LAW

- 4.1 The statutory powers regarding the establishment of the Schools Forum are contained in section 43 of the Education Act, 2002 and the Schools Forums (England) Regulations, 2002.

5.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 5.1 That the information above and the date for the receipt of nominations by Dudley MBC, be noted.

*John Pym*

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SECRETARY TO THE FORUM