

Gloucestershire Schools Forum – Elections 2021

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Type of Decision	For information
Background Documents	N/A
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Purpose of Report	To inform members of the plans for the Gloucestershire Schools Forum Elections 2021
Key Recommendations	The Forum is asked to note the plans for the Gloucestershire Schools Forum Elections 2021
Resource Implications	None

1. Election of Schools/Academies Members

It is now time for the Schools Forum biennial elections, half of the schools and academies members' term of office ends on 31 March 2021. The seats up for election are outlined in the table below.

Category	Number of Seats	Status	Current Forum Member
Special School Headteacher	1 Seat	Academy	Lyn Dance (CEO Sands Academy Trust (The Milestone School))
Special School Governors	1 Seat	Academy	Kate Hawkins (The Milestone School)
Primary School Headteachers	2 Seats	Academy	Steve Savory (Bishops Cleeve Primary)
		Maintained	Dan Johnson (Kingswood Primary School)
Primary School Governors	3 Seats	Maintained	VACANT
		Maintained	Matthew Bishop (St White's Primary School)
		Maintained	VACANT (this vacant seat has been included in this election round – it has a term of office of 2 years)

			(01.04.21 to 31.03.23).
Secondary School Headteachers	2 Seats	Academy	Kirsten Harrison (Chosen Hill School)
		Maintained	David Alexander (Rednock School)
Secondary School Governors	2 Seats	Academy	Jacqui Phillips (Stroud High School)
		Academy	Alexander Norman (Thomas Keble School)
Alternative Provision Schools	1 Seat	N/A	Elisa Entwistle Headteacher at Gloucester and Forest Alternative Provision School
The new term of office for all seats unless otherwise stated is 4 years (1 April 2021 to 31 March 2025).			

2. Election Arrangements

- 2.1 The Gloucestershire Association of Special School Headteachers has undertaken the election for the Special School Headteacher seat:
- Lyn Dance (CEO Sands Academy Trust, The Milestone School) has been re-elected.
- 2.2 The Gloucestershire Association of Secondary Headteachers has undertaken the election for the secondary headteacher seats:
- Kirsten Harrison (Chosen Hill School) (Academy) has been re-elected.
 - David Alexander (Rednock School) (Maintained) has been re-elected.
 - In addition, Stuart Wilson (Marling School) has stepped down at this election and Julia Maunder (Thomas Keble School) (Academy) has been elected. The term of office will be for 2 years (1 April 2021 to 31 March 2023).
- 2.3 The Alternative Provision Service headteachers have agreed that Elisa Entwistle will continue on as the Alternative Provision representative:
- Elisa Entwistle, Headteacher at Gloucester and Forest Alternative Provision School.
- 2.4 The Gloucestershire Association of Primary Headteachers has agreed that the Clerk to the Forum will undertake the election for the Primary Headteacher seats.
- 2.5 The Clerk will seek nominations for the special, primary and secondary governor seats, and the primary headteacher seats, from the eligible headteachers and governors, via email, from Friday 15 January 2021. The deadline for nomination forms to be returned to the Clerk is 5:00pm on Friday 12 February 2021. A notice of the election will be published in the *Heads Up*

and *What's up Gov* bulletins, and on the Gloucestershire Schools Forum webpage.

- 2.5.1 If there are only sufficient nominations to fill the vacant seats in that category, the member(s) in that category will be elected unopposed. If an election is required, ballot papers will be issued during the week commencing 15 February 2021, to the electors, to be returned to the Clerk by 5:00pm on Wednesday 17 March 2021. The election count will take place remotely on Thursday 18 March 2021 at 10:00am, and will be broadcast live via the Gloucestershire Schools Forum webpage. The results will be published within 5 working days on the Gloucestershire Schools Forum webpage, and in the next editions of the *What's Up Gov* and *Heads Up* bulletins.
- 2.6 Further information on the Schools Forum election can be found on the Gloucestershire Schools Forum webpage: - [LINK](#)

Recommendation:

The Forum is asked to note the plans for the Gloucestershire Schools Forum Elections 2021.

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