

Education Appointment Committee

Report by Director Resources

1 Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to request that Council suspend Standing Orders in so far as they relate to the remit of the Education Appointment Committee and authorise the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader of the Council and the Director, Education, Communities and Economy to approve the decision of the Education Appointment Committee, scheduled to be held on Thursday 28 June 2018 to consider the appointment to the Post of Head Teacher, Sacred Heart R.C. Primary School.

2 Background

The Scheme of Administration with regard to the Education Appointments Committee, as appended to Standing Orders states:

“The Minutes of the Committee will be submitted to the next meeting of The Cabinet. Persons recommended for appointment by the Committee shall be appointed by the Cabinet, unless it appears to them that the candidate is not eligible for the post, in which case they may refuse to appoint them. Where the Cabinet refuse to appoint a recommended candidate and it is still intended to fill the post, then the post will be re-advertised and the necessary procedures followed afresh.

However, the next scheduled meeting of the Cabinet is not due to be held until Tuesday 4 September 2018 and there is a need to formally approve these appointments as soon as practicably possible.

It is therefore requested that under these circumstances, Council suspend Standing Orders in so far as they relate to the remit of the Education Appointment Committee above and authorise the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader of the Council and the Director, Education, Communities and Economy to approve the decision of the Education Appointment Committee, scheduled to be held on Thursday 28 June 2018 to consider the appointment to the Post of Head Teacher, Sacred Heart R.C. Primary School.

3 Report Implications

3.1 Resource

There are no resource implications arising from this report.

3.2 Risk

There could be operational risk if the decision to formally approve these appointments were delayed.

3.3 Single Midlothian Plan and Business Transformation

Themes addressed in this report:

- ☐ Community safety
- ☐ Adult health, care and housing
- ☒ Getting it right for every Midlothian child
- ☐ Improving opportunities in Midlothian
- ☐ Sustainable growth
- ☐ Business transformation and Best Value
- ☐ None of the above

3.4 Key Priorities within the Single Midlothian Plan

Not Applicable

3.5 Impact on Performance and Outcomes

Not Applicable

3.6 Adopting a Preventative Approach

Not Applicable

3.7 Involving Communities and Other Stakeholders

Not Applicable

3.8 Ensuring Equalities

Not Applicable

3.9 Supporting Sustainable Development

Not Applicable

3.10 IT Issues

Not Applicable

4 Recommendation

That Council suspend Standing Orders in so far as they relate to the remit of the Education Appointment Committee and authorise the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Leader of the Council and the Director, Education, Communities and Economy to approve the decision of the Education Appointment Committee, scheduled to be held on Thursday 28 June 2018 to consider the appointment to the Post of Head Teacher, Sacred Heart R.C. Primary School.

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Background papers: