Notes of Guidance for Governing Boards

For clerks and governors of maintained schools and best practice for academies

Appointment of Local Authority Governors

PROCESS FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF 'LOCAL AUTHORITY' GOVERNORS FOR MAINTAINED SCHOOLS

Relevant Legislation

The School Governance (Constitution) (Eng(c)1.3 (()-9.5 2-4.1 (nR()-9.2))-4 (()-9.5R)13 (I)-5.6 gl ti on)(t)0.7 2-4.1)-40-4

The 2012 regulations limit the number of LA governors to 1 and states that the LA should nominate but the Governing Body should appoint. Under these regulations the governing body may set eligibility criteria for the LA governor appointment.

The Governing Body could, for example, identify financial expertise or skills in analysing data to support them in their monitoring role e.g. with regard to disadvantaged and more able pupils. They may also seek to attract governors from industry or community organisations to support the school in developing partnerships.

The eligibility criteria for Local Authority Governors was reviewed and the following recommended by the cabinet at the cabinet meeting 13th December 2012. This should apply to all appointments made under the 2012 regulations where the governing body has not agreed its own criteria.

Essential:

- a) A desire to serve the local community
- b) Sufficient time to carry out the role
- c)



LA governor nomination and appointments process (new appointment):

- 1. Governor Services advises the clerk, Chair of Governors and Cllr of the impending vacancy

