

Education co-optee members of the Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee

Co-opted members of the Children and Young People Scrutiny consist of the following appointments:

The committee with responsibility for education shall include the following co-opted education representatives, as appointed by Council:

- one representative as nominated by the diocese of Hereford
- one representative as nominated by the archdiocese of Cardiff
- one parent governor as elected from the primary school sector
- one parent governor as elected by the secondary school sector
- one parent governor as elected by the special school sector

These education co-optees may vote on items relating to education; on other items on the committee agenda they may speak but not vote.

The Council may resolve to appoint additional co-optees. These co-optees may not vote on any items on the agenda. At the meeting held 28 May 2021 Council resolved to appoint one representative from the teaching sector.

All co-opted members will be required to sign up to the Council's code of conduct. The declaration of registrable interests completed by co-optees will be published in the public domain.

Co-opted members

- The scrutiny committee with functions relating to education is required to co-opt church representatives and Parent Governor Representatives.
- The education co-optees are members of the Children and Young People Scrutiny Committee when it is dealing wholly or partly with education functions.
- Although restricted to voting on education matters, co-optees may speak on any other matters within the remit of the committee. Co-optees can suggest topics for the scrutiny committee to consider and submit public questions.
- Education co-optees do have voting powers on task and finish groups.
- Education co-optees are not signatories for the purpose of triggering a call-in.
- The term of office for co-optees; church representatives and the teaching representative are appointed annually and parent governor representatives are appointed biennially.

Role profiles for the various co-optees are set out below.

Role Profiles

The role of Church representatives

- to provide the views and interests of the diocese and arch diocese relating to educational matters under discussion at the children's scrutiny committee.
- attend and contribute to the committees to which they have been appointed
- establish good relations with other members and officers
- feed back the local education authority's discussions of and decisions on education to the diocese and arch diocese
- abide by the local education authority's rules on committee procedures
- act with due propriety according to standards laid down for conduct in local government

The role of Parent Governor Representatives (PGRs)

Department for Education guidance suggests the following role for a PGR:

- act as an apolitical voice for parents in the area; representing to the local education authority the main education issues which concern parents of pupils in schools maintained by the authority
- liaise with the other PGRs on their own local education authority
- attend and contribute to the committees to which they have been appointed
- establish good relations with other members and officers
- feed back the local education authority's discussions of and decisions on education to parents
- abide by the local education authority's rules on committee procedures
- act with due propriety according to standards laid down for conduct in local government

The role of teaching sector representatives

- to provide the views and interests of the teaching sector relating to educational matters under discussion at the children's scrutiny committee.
- attend and contribute to the committees to which they have been appointed
- establish good relations with other members and officers
- feed back the local education authority's discussions of and decisions on education to the teaching sector
- abide by the local education authority's rules on committee procedures
- act with due propriety according to standards laid down for conduct in local government