

**By:** Director of Governance and Law

**To:** Governor Appointments Panel – 26 June 2015

**Subject:** Arrangements for consideration of a request to remove an Authority Governor

**Classification:** Unrestricted

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**Summary:** The Panel has been asked to consider a request to remove an Authority Governor

## **FOR DECISION**

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### **Introduction**

1. The County Council has been asked to consider the removal of an Authority Governor. This report is purely concerned with the arrangements for consideration of this request and makes no reference at all to the facts of the case.
2. The Procedure for consideration of such requests is set out in **Appendix 1**. At this point, the first three stages of the procedure have been carried out, except that the Governor has expressed strong doubts about some aspects of the information that has not been provided to the governor.
3. Consideration of the grounds for the removal request has been carried out by Sage Patel (Senior Solicitor) on behalf of the Director of Governance and Law.

### **The next steps**

4. The Panel now has to nominate three Members to consider the request, including the procedural issues. For ease of reference, the three nominated Members will be described as the *Removal Request Panel* (RRP) for the remainder of this report. The Chairman will be the Chairman of the Governor Appointments Panel, if he wishes to serve on the RRP. If not, the three members will need to elect their own Chairman. The membership should comprise 2 Conservative and 1 Opposition Member of the Governor Appointments Panel. Those who serve on the RRP would not be eligible to consider any appeal.
5. The first task of the RRP will be to consider whether it has sufficient evidence on which to base a decision. This consideration will not require a formal meeting as no actual decision will be taken on the question at hand. It is suggested that the three RRP Members arrange to meet informally at the earliest possible opportunity in order to decide whether it wishes for more information to be provided by either party or that it has sufficient information for it to be able to consider the request formally.
6. The RRP will then need to set a date for formal consideration of the request. This meeting will be not be open to the public.

**Recommendations**

7. The Panel is invited to nominate three of its Members to serve on the Removal Request Panel (RRP).

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*Background Documents*  
*None*