

<b>Committee</b> Education Board	<b>Dated:</b> 8 March 2018
<b>Subject:</b> City of London Academies Trust (04504128) governor appointments update	<b>Public</b>
<b>Report of:</b> Director of Community and Children's Services	<b>For Information</b>
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### Summary

Members are asked to note that the appointment of Antony Smyth as Chairman of the new Southwark Local Governing Body was approved by the Education Board under urgent authority. The City of London Academies Trust Board also appointed governors to the Southwark Local Governing Body at its meeting on 13 December 2017 (Terms of References at **Appendices 1-3**). Members are also asked to note the current members of the City schools governing bodies at **Appendix 4**

### Recommendations

Members are asked to:

- Note that the appointment of Antony Smyth as Chairman of the new Southwark Local Governing body was approved by the Education Board under urgent authority, and that the City of London Academies Trust appointed governors to the Southwark Local Governing Body at its meeting on 13 December 2017.
- Note the current members of the City schools governing bodies.

### Main Report

#### Background

1. At its Board meeting on 9 November 2017, Members gave the City's consent to the proposal by the City of London Academies Trust (the Trust) to pilot the creation one Local Governing Body for the three Trust schools (referred to as the Southwark LGB) located in the London Borough of Southwark: The City of London Academy Southwark, Redriff Primary School City of London Academy, and Galleywall Primary, City of London Academy. (the Southwark LGB). It was also suggested that the joint Southwark LGB would be supported by other advisory bodies.
2. The Trust appointed governors to the Southwark LGB at their meeting on 13 December 2017. The Trust also proposed that Antony Smyth be appointed as the Chair of the new joint Southwark LGB, subject to the City Corporation's consent. Due to the timing of meetings, the appointment of Antony Smyth as Chair of the Southwark LGB was approved by the City Corporation under urgent authority on 2 February 2018.

## **Current Position**

3. The Southwark LGB is now operating, and it had its first full governing meeting on 5 February 2018. The revised model will be monitored and kept under review over a 12-month pilot period. A report on the pilot will be presented to the City Corporation as sponsor at the end of that period, or sooner if required. The pilot period will run for a full academic year, i.e. September 2018 to July 2019.
4. The revised Terms of Reference for the Southwark LGB and its advisory bodies are attached at **Appendix 1** for information. Where in the Scheme of Delegation the LGB is listed as having responsibility, this would apply to the Southwark LGB and not to the individual advisory bodies that provide support to the Southwark LGB.

## **Current membership of City Corporation schools' governing bodies**

5. Tables setting out the school governors for each school associated with the City Corporation are attached at **Appendix 2**.

## **Conclusion**

6. Members are asked to note that the appointment of Antony Smyth as Chairman of the Southwark LGB was approved by the City Corporation under urgent authority, and that the Trust Board appointed governors to the Southwark LGB at their meeting on 13 December 2017. Members are also asked to note the current membership of each governing body for the City's family of schools at **Appendix 1**.

## **Appendices**

- Appendices 1-3 – Southwark Local Governing Body and Advisory Bodies' Terms of Reference
- Appendix 4 – Governing body membership of City Corporation schools

## **Background Papers**

- Governance of Southwark Academies (Item 23) – Education Board, 9 November 2017.

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