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## Summary

This report provides an overview and summary of boards of governors of the City Schools. It outlines the governors appointed to the City Schools, including the composition of each governing body and the method and tenure of appointment.

## Recommendation(s)

Members are asked to note the report.

## Main Report

- 1. This report is intended as an outline of the appointment of governors by the City of London Corporation to both the City Schools, and schools to which the City Corporation has nomination rights. It provides members with oversight of the composition of each governing body, the method of appointment of governors, their tenure.
- 2. The City Corporation appoints over 70 governors to the City Schools including both the Board of Governors of the independent schools, and the Board of each of the City Academies. Members will note that there is a degree of variation in how governors are appointed: this includes, in the case of the independent schools, appointment of Aldermen and Common Councilmen being made by the Court of Common Council, whereas co-opted members of each Board are made by the Board of Governors themselves. This can be contrasted with the appointment of Members to the City Academies where, since 2013, appointments are made to the Board by the Court of Council of Common Council at the recommendation of the Education Board.
- 3. Members will also note that the appointment of governors to schools where the City Corporation has nomination rights will be captured in the forthcoming review of Outside Bodies being conducted by the Policy and Resources Committee.

## Conclusion

4. This report provides an overview and summary of boards of governors of the City Schools.

## Appendices

• Summary of Governors in the City Schools

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# Appendix 1

City School	Governing Body	Appointment	Tenure	Notes
City of London School	A Non-Ward Committee consisting of, 1 Alderman	Nominated by Court of Aldermen and confirmed by Court of Common Council	Annual nomination	Chairman/Deputy Chairman Elected annually up to a three year term. Immediate past Chairman has option to be Deputy Chairman for one year.
	up to 10 Commoners at least one of whom shall have fewer than five years' service on the Court at the time of their appointment	Appointed by the Court of Common Council	Four years	
	the Chairman of the Board of Governors of City of London School for Girls	Ex-officio	As long as in post.	
	the Chairman of the Board of Governors of City of London Freemen's School	Ex-officio	As long as in post.	
	up to 5 co-opted non-City of London Corporation Governors with experience relevant to the Board	Appointed by the Board of Governors	Three years	

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City of London Freemen's School	A Non-Ward Committee consisting of, up to two Aldermen	Nominated by Court of Aldermen and confirmed by the Court of Common Council	Annual nomination	Chairman/Deputy Chairman Elected annually up to a three year term. Immediate past Chairman has option to be Deputy Chairman for one year.
	up to 12 Commoners at least one of whom shall have fewer than five years' service on the Court at the time of their appointment	Appointed by the Court of Common Council	Four years	
	the Chairman of the Board of Governors of City of London School the Chairman of the Board of Governors of City of London School for Girls		As long as in post. As long as in post.	
	up to six co-opted non-City of London Corporation Governors with relevant experience of education	Appointed by the Board of Governors	Three years	

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City of London School for Girls	A Non-Ward Committee consisting of, up to two Aldermen	Nominated by Court of Aldermen and confirmed by Court of Common Council	Annual nomination	Chairman/Deputy Chairman Elected annually up to a three year term. Immediate past Chairman has option to be Deputy Chairman for one year.
	up to 12 Commoners at least one of whom shall have fewer than five years' service on the Court at the time of their appointment	Appointed by the Court of Common Council	Four years	
	the Chairman of the Board of Governors of City of London School the Chairman of the Board of Governors of City of London Freemen's School	Ex-officio Ex-officio	As long as in post. As long as in post.	
	up to six co-opted non-City of London Corporation Governors with experience relevant to the Board	Appointed by the Board of Governors	Three years	

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Sir John Cass Primary School	16 governors including Foundation governors, parent governors, and local authority (City of London Corporation) governors.	2 City of London Corporation governors appointed by the Community and Children's Services Committee	Four years	
City of London Academy Islington	Not less than 3 and not subject to any maximum; 4 City Corporation governors 4 City University governors 1 LEA governor 2 parent governors 1 headteacher 1 teaching staff 1 non-teaching staff	City Corporation governors appointed by Court of Common Council/Education Board City University governors appointed by City University Appointed by LEA Elected by parents Ex-officio Elected by teaching staff Elected by non-teaching staff	Four years, apart from Headteacher (ex-officio). No maximum tenure provided candidates remain eligible.	Chairman/Deputy Chairman Elected annually by governors. A governor employed by academy is not eligible to be chairman/deputy chairman. No maximum term. City Corporation Sponsor Governors In practice 2 City Corporation sponsor governors are members of the Court of Common Council, and 2 are external members.

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	1 community governor	Appointed by governing body		
	Up to 2 co-opted governors appointed by governing body	Appointed by governing body		
	Any additional governors appointed by Secretary of State	Secretary of State		
The City Academy Hackney	Not less than 3 and not subject to any maximum 5 City Corporation sponsor governors 5 KPMG sponsor governors 1 LEA governor 3 parent governors	Appointed by City Corporation Appointed by KPMG Appointed by LEA Elected by parents, or appointed by governing body if no candidate stands for election	Four years, apart from Headteacher (ex-officio). No maximum tenure provided candidates remain eligible.	Chairman/Deputy Chairman Elected annually by governors. A governor employed by academy is not eligible to be chairman/deputy chairman. No maximum term.

City School	Governing Body	Appointment	Tenure	Notes
	1 headteacher	Ex-officio		
	1 teaching staff	Elected by teaching staff		
	1 non-teaching staff	Elected by non-teaching staff		
	1 community governor	Appointed by governing body		
	2 co-opted governors	Appointed by governing body		
	Any additional governors appointed by the Secretary of State	Secretary of State for Education		
City of London Academies Southwark [Board of Directors overseeing 2 local	Not less than 3 but not subject to any maximum		Four years, apart from Headteacher (ex-officio, as long as in post).	Chairman/Deputy Chairman Elected annually by governors. A governor
governing bodies (LGBs)]	Up to 9 sponsor directors	Appointed by City Corporation		employed by academy is not eligible to be chairman/deputy
	Chair of each governing body	Ex-officio		chairman. Chairman must be a member of Court of Common Council. No
	Principal of each academy operated by Company	Ex-officio		maximum term.
	Minimum of 2 parent	Elected by parents		Governing Body The board of directors

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	directors (if no parent governors on each LGB) Any number of co-opted directors provided number of directors employed by company does not exceed one-third of directors including Principals	Appointed by Board of Directors		described on the left <b>in</b> <b>practice</b> consists of 8 sponsor directors; headteacher of each academy; Chairman of Redriff LGB.
City of London Academy Southwark Local Governing Body (LGB)	<ul> <li>8 sponsor governors</li> <li>2 staff governors (1 teaching; 1 support staff)</li> <li>2 parent governors (one Southwark, one City of London)</li> <li>1 headteacher</li> <li>1 headteacher</li> <li>1 headteacher of Redriff Primary Academy</li> </ul>	Appointed by the Board of Directors		
Redriff Primary Academy Local Governing Body (LGB)	1 teaching staff 5 parent governors	Appointed by the Board of Directors		

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	<ul> <li>4 community governors</li> <li>Headteacher</li> <li>2 co-opted LEA governors</li> <li>Co-opted Principal/Senior</li> <li>Vice Principal of Academy</li> <li>1 Director appointed by</li> </ul>				
Prior Weston Primary School	the Company Teachers, parents, LEA, local community.	1 community (co-opted) governor nominated by Court of Common Council at recommendation of Education Board	Four years		
	City of London Corporation Governors of the Royal Hospitals* *All City of London Corporation Aldermen are governors by virtue of their office.				
Christ's Hospital	Board of School Governors, to which the City Corporation has no nomination rights.	The City Corporation has its own committee of 12 Members to oversee its contribution to the School (appointed by the Court of Common Council)	Some Members completing 6 years, however, since 2005 nominated Almoners are appointed for 4 year terms.	Age Limit No age limit for governors, but Almoners must step down at age 76.	

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	The Council of Almoners who act as trustees of the foundation, to which the City Corporation has nomination rights. The School also has a supporting body known as the 'Court of Governors' which is not part of the governance structure.	4 Aldermanic Almoners (appointed by the General Purposes Committee of Aldermen)	No limit on tenure (i.e. indefinite terms due for review every 4 years).	
Bridewell Royal Hospital (King Edward's Witley)	Governing body is known as the Court of Bridewell. It consists of 30 persons some of whom are co- opted for their expertise, and 12 of whom are nominated by the Court of Common Council.	Corporation governors	Six years	