



RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

MUNICIPAL YEAR 2023/2024

COUNCIL

20 SEPTEMBER 2023

OUTSIDE BODY MEMBERSHIP

SERVICE DIRECTOR, DEMOCRATIC SERVICES & COMMUNICATIONS

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 To receive the Authority's nomination and subsequent appointment of an Elected Member on the Governing Body of Coleg Y Cymoedd for the remainder of the four-year term (culminating in 2025).
- 1.2 To consider the proposed change to the current Officer representation to the Governing Body of Coleg Y Cymoedd following the resignation of Mrs G Davies, Director of Education & Inclusion Services, from the position.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 To receive Member nominations to represent the Council on the Governing Body of Coleg Y Cymoedd for the remainder of the term of office;
- 2.2 To consider the appointment of Kate Owen as the nominated Officer in place of Mrs G Davies, Director of Education & Inclusion Services, following her resignation from the position; and
- 2.3 Subject to the agreement of 2.1 and 2.2, correspondence be sent to Coleg Y Cymoedd advising them of the appointment (and change) to the Authority's nominated representatives.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 Previously, due to the nature and personal requirements of the role (as set out in section 4 of the report), the Member appointed to this position has been the relevant Cabinet Member with responsibility for Education.

- 3.2 Since the Local Government Elections in May 2022, Mrs G Davies has fulfilled the requirements of the Board and represented the Council on the Governing Body of Coleg Y Cymoedd in her capacity as Director of Education & Inclusion Services.
- 3.3 Coinciding with the resignation of Mrs Davies, the Council has been invited to consider the appointment of both an Elected Member and proposed nominated Officer representative, namely Kate Owen, to the Outside Body for the remaining term, until the Council Annual General Meeting (AGM) in 2025.

4. THE GOVERNING BODY

- 4.1 The Governing Body at Coleg Y Cymoedd is made up of people from business or public life and will bring with them a range of skills and expertise that is important to the development and future of Coleg y Cymoedd. The Governing Body is responsible for the scrutiny of a number of areas including *'the determination of the educational character and mission of the institution and for oversight of its activities.'*
- 4.2 Coleg Y Cymoedd has determined that amongst the personal qualities required for the appointment includes *'a strong interest in further education and training and a determination to improve student success'*, as well as *'an ability to understand complex matters relating to public education and training policy, College planning, and College performance.'*
- 4.3 In view of the required knowledge and personal qualities, Council is now asked to consider appropriate nominations for the appointment of an Elected Member to represent the Council on the Governing Body of Coleg Y Cymoedd.
- 4.4 Council is also asked to consider the appointment of Kate Owen as the Council's Officer representative.

5. EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Members are encouraged as part of the Local Government & Elections Act Wales, to promote diversity in representations, particularly when determining senior roles.

6. CONSULTATION/INVOLVEMENT

- 6.1 There are no consultation implications aligned to this report.

7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 There are no financial implications aligned to this report.

8. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

8.1 As in accordance with the Council's membership requirements – Council Constitution.

9. LINKS TO THE COUNCILS CORPORATE PLAN / OTHER CORPORATE PRIORITIES.

9.1 The Council's Committees contribute to the Council's Corporate Plan objectives, therefore it is important to ensure the Committee membership to its Outside Bodies is complete and accurate.

10 CONCLUSION

10.1 To provide Members with information in respect of the Committee membership.

Other Information:-

Relevant Scrutiny Committee – Not applicable

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

AS AMENDED BY

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

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Background Papers

REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODY

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