#### STOCKTON-ON-TEES BOROUGH COUNCIL

#### **CABINET RECOMMENDATIONS**

#### **PROFORMA**

Cabinet Meeting ......5th July 2007

# 1. <u>Title of Item/Report</u>

Local Authority Nominationsa to School Governing Bodies

# 2. Record of the Decision

Consideration was given to a report which outlined that as a result of the expiry of some Governors' Terms of Office and the Resignation of others, vacancies existed on the Governing Bodies as detailed in the Appendix to the report.

In accordance with the procedure for the appointment of school governors, approved as Minute 84 of the cabinet (11th May 2000), Cabinet was invited to consider the nominations to school Governing Bodies.

Members noted that two nominations had been received for one vacancy at All Saints CE VA School, Ingleby Barwick which would occur when a Governor's term of Office expired in September.

Both nominees were given the opportunity of speaking.

Cllr Cunningham was an existing Board Member and was seeking re appointment to the Board as his term of office expired in September. Councillor Cunningham explained that the school had been established under a Private Finance Initiative (PFI) and he had been on the Board from the beginning of the process. During this time he had gained a lot of experience with regard to the PFI and he felt, at this point in the process, it was important that the School Board maintained a continuity of membership for a further limited period.

Councillor Dixon was the local ward member for the school. He explained his commitment to the ward and Ingleby Barwick in general and felt it was appropriate and important that he served on the School Board.

Cabinet considered the representation from both nominees and agreed that Councillor Cunningham be appointed. Members noted Cllr Cunningham's comments relating to the importance of him continuing on the Board for a further limited period in order to complete some

outstanding tasks.

RESOLVED that the appointments to the following School Governing Bodies be approved in line with agreed procedures subject to successful List 99 check and Personal Disclosure:-

All Saints CE VA School – Cllr Cunningham Myton Park Primary School – Cllr J Kirby Roseberry Primary School – Cllr J Dobson, Cllr S Scurfield, Mrs D Sidney St Francis of Assisi CE VA Primary School – Cllr Feldon

## 3. Reasons for the Decision

As a result of the expiry of current Governors terms of office and a number of resignations, vacancies exist on the Governing Bodies detailed in the Appendix to this report. Under powers vested in them by paragraph 79 of the 1996 Education Act, the Local Authority had a duty to appoint representatives to serve as Governors on the Governing Bodies of all Schools maintained by them.

## 4. Alternative Options Considered and Rejected

Two nomination for one vacancy received in respect of All Saints School, Ingleby Barwick.

# 5. <u>Declared (Cabinet Member) Conflicts of Interest</u>

None

### 6. <u>Details of any Dispensations</u>

Not Applicable

# 7. Date and Time by which Call In must be executed

No later than Midnight on Friday 13th July 2007

Proper Officer 09 October 2007