

Agenda Item 9

From: Cathy Lilley, Associate Director of Corporate Governance
To: Council of Governors
Date: 20 September 2018
Subject: Elections Update

1.0 Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 To update the Council of Governors on the progress with the Governor elections for 2018.

2.0 Election Timetable

- 2.1 As advised at the July Council meeting, the 2018 Governor elections are being facilitated by the Electoral Reform Services (ERS). The election timetable is as follows:

Event	Date
Publication of Notice of Election	16 July 2018
Deadline for Receipt of Nominations	13 August 2018
Publication of Statement of Nominations	14 August 2018
Deadline for Candidate Withdrawals	16 August 2018
Notice of Poll/ Issue of Ballot Packs	5 September 2018
Close of Poll – 5pm	28 September 2018
Declaration of Result	1 October 2018

3.0 Seats to Stand for Election

- 3.1 The number of seats per constituency is provided below:

Constituency and Class	Number of seats to stand for election
Public – Bedford Borough	1
Public – Central Bedfordshire	1
Public – Hackney	2
Public – Luton	1
Public – Newham	3
Public – Rest of England	1
Public – Tower Hamlets	2
Staff	2

4.0 Statement of Nominated Candidates

- 4.1 The Statement of Nominated Candidates was issued by ERS on 13 August 2018. Following the declaration of results, Governors will be provided with the election statements of all successful candidates.

- 4.2 As there was one candidate for each of the Luton and Central Bedfordshire constituencies, Keith Williams and Larry Smith respectively, they were duly elected unopposed.
- 4.3 A summary of contested seats is provided below:

Constituency and Class	Number of vacancies	Nominations received	Names of candidates
Public – Bedford Borough	1	3	Louise Breden Rubina Shaikh Felicity Stocker
Public – Hackney	2	5	Caroline Diehl Anne Marie C Farrugia Gohar Ghouse Beverley Cheri Morris Saleem Siddiqui
Public – Newham	3	5	Shirley Biro Charles Currie Carol Ann Leatherby Dean Sharpe Ernell Diana Watson
Public – Rest of England	1	3	Nurul Amin Laura-Jane Connolly Kemi Rosiji
Public – Tower Hamlets	2	4	Rosha Ansari Terry Cowley Arif Hoque Philip Ross
Staff	2	5	Victoria Aidoo-Annan Katherine Corbett Lola Kehinde Simon Marsh Babalola Shotayo

- 4.4 Arrangements for the induction of new Governors are being made and it is scheduled to take place on 6 November 2018. As in previous years, current Governors who would like to refresh their knowledge are welcome to attend.
- 4.5 A celebration event to mark the contribution of previous Governors and welcome new Governors is scheduled for the Council of Governors Meeting on 22 November 2018.

5.0 Action Being Requested

- 5.1 The Council is asked to **RECEIVE** and **NOTE** the report.