

Placing in Schools Appeal Committee

The City of Edinburgh Council

21 December 2006

Purpose of Report

- 1 To ask the Council to approve a re-appointment to the Placing in Schools Appeal Committee.

Main Report

- 2 The Placing in Schools Appeal Committee is established under Section 28C of the Education (Scotland) Act 1981 to hear appeals from parents against Council decisions to refuse placing requests and exclude pupils.
- 3 The Appeal Committee is made up from three Panels. Panel 1 comprises all members of the Council or the Executive when dealing with Education Items. Panel 2 comprises nine parents of school age children, nominated by the Consultative Committee with Parents. There is a vacancy at present for a parent representative. Panel 3 comprises suitably qualified people with experience in education or acquainted with educational conditions in Edinburgh, nominated by the Director of Children and Families.
- 4 The term of appointment of one member of Panel 2 ends in December 2006. The retiring member Adrian Croll has indicated his willingness to continue to serve on the Appeal Committee.
- 5 This appointment is for four years to 21 December 2010 or until the Panel member's youngest child leaves school, whichever is sooner.
- 6 If this nomination is approved, the membership of the Placing in Schools Appeal Committee will be as detailed in the appendix to this report.

Recommendation

- 7 That Adrian Croll be re-appointed to Panel 2 of the Placing in Schools Appeal Committee.



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Appendices	Membership of Placing in Schools Appeal Committee
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Wards affected	City-wide
Background Papers	Education (Scotland) Act 1981; Executive 15 August 2000

APPENDIX

Current Membership of Placing in Schools Appeal Committee

Panel 1

All members of the Council or the Executive when dealing with Education Matters

Panel 2

Parents of pupils of school age, nominated by the Consultative Committee with Parents –

Adrian Croll	Tynecastle High School
Donna Caldwell	Trinity High School
Jack Calder	Pilrig Park School
Kevin Davidson	Davidson's Mains Primary School
Charles Meehan	St Cuthbert's RC Primary School
Graham Newton	Gylemuir PS
Carol Telfer	Kaimes School
Karen Traill	Liberton Primary School

Panel 3

Suitably qualified people with experience in education or acquainted with educational conditions in Edinburgh, nominated by the Director of Children and Families, to act as Chairpersons of the Appeal Committee, currently –

Mrs B Devlin, Mrs D Dowie, S Harland, K Jack, Mr I McGillivray
Mrs A McLeish, Mr T McMillan, Mr E Melvin and Mrs M Price

Each Appeal Committee consists of one member from Panel 1, one member from Panel 2 and one member from Panel 3.

The Council Secretary acts as Clerk to the Appeal Committee, with authority to choose Panel Members for each Appeal Committee.