

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

DISPUTES PANEL (GOVERNORS)

APPOINTMENT OF LEA REPRESENTATIVES TO SCHOOL GOVERNING BODIES

Introduction

The procedure agreed by the Education Committee in April 2000 (copy attached) and revised in September 2000, for the appointment of Governors, provides that where a dispute has arisen the matter will be referred to the Disputes Panel.

The following case is referred to the Disputes Panel for consideration.

Bitham Brook:

There is disagreement between Mr. C. Newbury and the governing body on the nomination of Mr. David Prescott.

Mr. Newbury nominated David Prescott to fill the vacancy left by himself in March 2000 and the nomination form (dated 3rd May 2000) is attached.

A copy of the submissions by the governing body and Mr. Newbury are attached. Following a request by the Panel at its last meeting further information has been submitted by the Governing Body and by a referee on behalf of Mr Prescott. These documents are also attached.

Conclusion: The Panel is requested to consider the suitability of David Prescott as an LEA governor at Bitham Brook School.

The following documents have been relied on in preparation of this report:

Nomination Form (dated 3rd May 2000), letter from the governing body dated 22nd September, 2000 and Mr. Newbury's submission of 10th October, 2000.

The Governor Support Team
On behalf of the Chief Education Officer