

To: All Schools and Boards of Governors

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Dear Headteacher and Board of Governors,

Election of School Members to the Lincolnshire Schools' Forum

In line with of the Schools' Forums (England) Regulations 2012, where a vacancy for a Member on the Forum arises, a local authority is required to appoint a replacement member elected by the members of the relevant group.

I am writing to advise you that there are now upcoming (as of 28.11.25) and current vacancies on the Lincolnshire Schools' Forum:

Primary Maintained

Primary Maintained Governor – 3 vacancies Primary Maintained Head Teacher – 2 vacancies

Secondary Maintained

Secondary Maintained Governor – 1 vacancy secondary Maintained Head Teacher – 1 vacancy

Secondary Academies

Secondary Academy Head Teacher – 1 vacancy

Primary Academies

Primary Academies Governors – 2 vacancies Primary Academies Head Teacher – 1 vacancy

Special Academies

Special Academies Governor - 1 vacancy

Providers of 16 to 19 Education – 1 vacancy

Early Years Providers - 1 vacancy

If you are interested in standing as a candidate for one of the vacancies, please complete the attached nomination form. Please ensure that your nomination form is seconded by two people from the same group (e.g. a Secondary Headteacher must be seconded by two Secondary Headteachers and a Secondary Governor must be seconded by two Secondary Governors) and return to Rachel Wilson via the email address shown on the form. Candidates are asked to prepare a short statement, which will be circulated to voters with the ballot papers, should a ballot be required. This election address must not exceed 100 words in length. Candidates may wish to cover in their statement:

- Why they want to be a member of the Schools' Forum; and
- How they think their experience and abilities will help them in the role; and
- What they can offer to the Schools' Forum.

The term of office for a Schools' Forum member is four years. Please note that this post does involve attending meetings during normal office hours, therefore there is a time commitment attached to the role. The Schools' Forum meets four times a year with meetings commencing at around 1.00 p.m. Most meetings of the Schools' Forum are currently being held virtually, with the occasional meeting being held in person at Lincolnshire County Council County Offices, Newland, Lincoln, LN11YL.

A timetable for the election process is also enclosed with this letter, for your information.

As the overall election process must be completed by **Tuesday, 11 November 2025**, please ensure that your nomination form and statement are scanned and emailed to me by **Thursday, 16 October 2025**.

Please note in the event of there being more nominations received than there are relevant vacancies, it will be necessary to go to a ballot.

Finally, if you require any further information on the role of a Schools' Forum representative prior to putting yourself forward, or the election process itself, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

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