

## NOTES

[Please read carefully before completing the form]

- 1 There are no formal qualifications required. However, governors' skills and expertise contribute to the effectiveness of the governing body. Financial skills are always in demand, and business and management skills or a background in education, are also beneficial to governing bodies. Most people have some skills to offer and a commitment to the education and future of young people is essential.
- 2 All sections of the form should be completed as fully as possible. Please add any additional relevant information on a separate sheet or on the reverse side of the form.
- 3 By signing the form you are agreeing to share the information on it with governing bodies that may have a suitable vacancy. There is an expectation that if appointed you will attend training offered by the Local Authority (at no cost to yourself).
- 4 To be eligible to serve as a school governor applicants must:
  - Be aged 18 or over at the time of his/her election or appointment.
  - Not be a pupil at the same school.
  - Not hold more than one governorship at the same school..
  - Not be bankrupt or disqualified under the Company Directors Act 1986 or an order made under section 429(2)(b) of the Insolvency Act 1986 (failure to pay under county court administration order), or similar legislation for Northern Ireland.
  - Not have been removed from the office of charity trustee or trustee for a charity by the Charity Commissioners or High Court on grounds of any misconduct or mismanagement, or under section 34 of the Charities and trustees Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 from participating in the management or control of any body.
  - Not be included in the list of people considered by the Secretary of State as unsuitable to work with children.
  - Not be disqualified from working with children or subject to a direction under section 142 of the Education Act 2002 or section 128 of the Education and Skills Act 2008.
  - Not disqualified from registration for childminding or providing daycare.
  - Not have been sentenced (suspended or otherwise) to 3 months or more in prison (without the option of a fine) in the 5 years before becoming a governor or since becoming a governor.
  - Not have received a prison sentence of 2.5 years or more in the 20 years before becoming a governor.
  - Not at any time have received a prison sentence of 5 years or more.
  - Not have been fined for causing a nuisance or disturbance on school premises during the 5 years prior to or since appointment or election as a governor.
  - Not also act as clerk to the same school's Governing Body;
  - Not be eligible to be a staff governor at the same school;
  - Not refuse, if asked, to an application being made to the Disclosure and Barring Service.