

SCHEDULE 5

Regulation 16(6)

PARTNERSHIP GOVERNORS

1. In this Schedule,

- (a) “school” means the current school where appointments are made before the appointed day or the maintained school where appointments are made on or after that day;
- (b) “governing body” means the current governing body where appointments are made before the appointed day or the transitional governing body where appointments are made on or after that day.

2. Where a partnership governor is required, the governing body shall seek nominations from parents of registered pupils at the school, and from such other persons in the community served by the school as they consider appropriate.

3. No person shall nominate for appointment, or appoint, a person as a partnership governor unless—

- (a) in the case of a person nominating himself, he considers himself to be from the community served by the school and committed to the good government and success of the school; and
- (b) in any other case, he is satisfied that the nominee or appointee appears to be from the community served by the school and committed to the good government and success of the school.

4.—(1) In the case of a school which will be or is a foundation special school without a foundation, the governing body shall in appointing partnership governors secure that at least one partnership governor is a person with experience of education for children with special educational needs.

(2) In seeking nominations for partnership governors for a school within sub-paragraph (1) the governing body shall take such steps as are reasonably practicable to secure that persons making nominations are aware of the requirement in that sub-paragraph.

5. Where a partnership governor is required, the governing body shall take such steps as are reasonably practicable to secure that every person who is known to them to be a parent of a registered pupil at the school is—

- (a) informed that he is entitled to nominate persons for appointment as partnership governors; and
- (b) informed about the procedures to be followed in making nominations.

6. Subject to paragraph 8(2), no member of the governing body may nominate a person for appointment as a partnership governor.

7. The governing body shall make all necessary arrangements for, and determine all other matters relating to, the nomination of partnership governors.

8.—(1) The governing body shall appoint such number of partnership governors as are required by the instrument of government from among eligible nominees.

(2) If—

- (a) the number of eligible nominees is less than the number of vacancies; or
- (b) in the case of a foundation special school at which a partnership governor with experience of education for children with special educational needs is required, no eligible nominee has such experience,

the number of partnership governors required shall be made up by persons selected by the governing body who are eligible and meet the requirements for appointment.

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9. Where the governing body make an appointment under paragraph 8(2) having rejected any person nominated by a parent or the community served by the school they shall explain the reason for that decision to the local education authority and the person rejected.