TAMESIDE COUNCIL

### APPLICATION TO BECOME AN LEA (LOCAL EDUCATION AUTHORITY) GOVERNOR

Tameside Council has adopted criteria to assist in the selection of individuals for appointment as LEA governors, and these are listed on a separate sheet. It would be helpful if you could refer to these in your written statement below and, in particular, give details of any experience of working in the education sector.

If you are applying to <u>renew</u> your LEA governorship, please give brief particulars of your experience as a school governor (eg length of service, experience as Chair or Vice-Chair, membership of Governing Body Committees, details of training sessions attended etc).

## WRITTEN STATEMENT TO SUPPORT MY APPLICATION:

## PLEASE SIGN AND DATE THIS FORM OVERLEAF

### PERSONS INELIGIBLE TO ACT AS GOVERNORS

There are a number of reasons why people cannot become governors of a school. These are described below:

#### You cannot become a governor if:

- (i) (a) you have been sentenced to three months or more in prison in the previous five years;
  - (b) you have been sentenced to two and half years or more in prison in the previous twenty years;
  - (c) you have been sentenced to five years or more in prison at any time;
- (ii) you have been convicted of causing a nuisance or disturbance on education premises in the previous five years and have been sentenced to a fine;
- (iii) you are included in the list of teachers or workers prohibited or restricted from working with children or young people (known as List 99);
- (iv) you have been adjudged bankrupt and the bankruptcy order has not been annulled or rescinded;
- (v) you have been disqualified from serving as a company director under the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986, or you have an order made against you under section 429(2)(b) of the Insolvency Act 1986;
- (vi) you have been removed from the office of charity trustee by an order made by the Charity Commissioners or the High Court on grounds of any misconduct or mismanagement in the administration of the charity;
- (vii) you have been disqualified by the Secretary of State from being an independent school proprietor;
- (viii) you are suffering from a serious mental illness and can be compulsorily detained in hospital under an order made under the Mental Health Act 1983.

If you require further information or clarification for any of these conditions please contact Governor and Management Support at Education and Cultural Services, Council Offices, Wellington Road, Ashton-under-Lyne, Tameside, OL6 6DL (Tel:0161 342 3206)

#### In submitting this application form for LEA Governorship,

- \* I confirm that I am not disqualified from being a governor for any of the reasons described above.
- \* I give my commitment to represent the policies of Tameside LEA at Governing Body meetings.

Signed: .		Date:	
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# TAMESIDE COUNCIL GOVERNOR AND MANAGEMENT SUPPORT

# SELECTION CRITERIA FOR LEA GOVERNORS

In making decisions on the appointment of LEA Governors, the Cabinet Deputy, Lifelong Learning, and the Head of Standards and Effectiveness, Education and Cultural Services, will pay particular attention to the evidence provided by an individual that he/she meets the following criteria:

- has a commitment to, and an interest in, education;
- has a desire to support the school concerned;
- has a willingness to serve the local community;
- has skills and experience which will support the work of the school;
- has the ability to work as a member of a team;
- is able to arrange their commitments to fit in with membership of a Governing Body;
- will represent the Council's views on education matters at Governing Body meetings.

Evidence that an individual meets these selection criteria will be gathered from the information provided on the application form, supplemented by any personal knowledge of the individual by the Cabinet Deputy and the Head of Standards and Effectiveness.