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DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

REPORT TO CABINET MEMBER FOR EDUCATION

22 November 2022

Report of The Executive Director for Children's Services

Thomas Williams Educational Foundation

1. Divisions Affected

1.1 The trust operates in the Division of Ashbourne

2. Key Decision

2.1 This is not a Key Decision.

3. Purpose

3.1 To seek Cabinet Member approval to appoint a new Derbyshire County Council representative on the Thomas Williams Foundation.

4. Information and Analysis

4.1 The Thomas Williams Foundation is a registered charity number 527004 serving the parishes of Clifton, Snelston and Roston in the Ashbourne area. The Trust makes small grants on an annual basis to children leaving school to further their education or to prepare them to enter a trade, profession or calling. It also provides funding towards religious education at Norbury Church of England Primary School.

4.2 The body of Trustees is made up of the rector or priest in charge of the Parish of Norbury and three representative Trustees appointed for a term of 3 years. One of those Trustees is a representative of

Derbyshire County Council and the remaining two are from Norbury and Roston Parish Council. The Trust is classed as an outside body.

On 3 December 2019, the Cabinet Member approved the nomination of Mrs Jayne Anders as the Council representative. Jayne is a local person who has lived in Roston village all her life. Her family has lived in the village for generations and Jayne worked at the local school. She therefore has strong connections with the local community and the school.

- 4.3 That nomination was for a term of 3 years and is about to expire. The Trustees have voted to re-appoint Mrs Anders and is seeking the Cabinet Member's approval.

5. Consultation

- 5.1 The nomination of a Derbyshire County Council representative is governed by the constitution of the Foundation and does not require consultation.

6. Alternative Options Considered

- 6.1 The only alternative would be to reject the nominated person however there is no reason to take that action and the approval allows the Foundation to operate within its constitution

7. Implications

- 7.1 Appendix 1 sets out the relevant implications considered in the preparation of the report.

8. Background Papers

- Children's Services holds the letter of request from the Trustees of the Foundation dated 21 September 2022.

9. Appendices

- 9.1 Appendix 1 – Implications

10. Recommendation(s)

That the Cabinet Member:

- a) Approves the appointment of Mrs Jayne Anders as the Derbyshire County Council representative to the Thomas Williams Foundation for a further period of 3 years.

Reasons for Recommendation(s)

- 10.1 The recommendation will allow the Thomas Williams Foundation to continue to operate in line with its constitution.

11. Is it necessary to waive the call in period?

- 11.1 No

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Implications

Financial

1.1 There are no financial implications

Legal

2.1 The nomination of a Derbyshire County Council representative on this Foundation is in line with its constitution and has no legal implications on the Council.

Human Resources

3.1 There are no human resources implications of this nomination as the individual is a trustee of the Foundation and not employed by Derbyshire County Council.

Information Technology

4.1 N/A

Equalities Impact

5.1 N/A

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

6.1 N/A

Other (for example, Health and Safety, Environmental Sustainability, Property and Asset Management, Risk Management and Safeguarding)

7.1 There are no other implications to the proposed decision.