REPORT OF THE RETURNING OFFICER

(A): ELECTION OF PARENT GOVERNOR REPRESENTATIVE TO SERVE ON EDUCATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

The Education (Parent Governor Representatives) Regulations 1999, and Education Circular 13/99 – Parent Governor Representatives on Local Authority Committees dealing with Education, require that Parent Governor Representatives should be elected by Parent Governors to serve on Local Authority Committees dealing with Education matters. This Council has therefore made arrangements for two such representatives to be elected for appointment to the Scrutiny Committee on Education.

Mr. D. W. Thorpe, one of the two representatives who was appointed in September 2002 submitted his resignation earlier in the year, due to his election as a Councillor for Hinckley and Bosworth Borough Council on 1st May, 2003. Elected members of any local authority are disqualified from serving as Parent Governor Co-opted Members of the Committee.

In June/July this year, nominations were sought from all eligible parent governors, which resulted in four parent governors being nominated.

The four persons nominated were:-

Mr. S. Birkett – Coalville Belvoirdale Primary School

Mrs. S. Dudfield – Burbage C.E. Infants School

Ms. C. Mawer – Countesthorpe Leysland High School

Mr. A. May – Markfield South Charnwood High School

As there was only one vacancy to be filled, a formal election process was required which was completed in mid-August.

The Authority has decided that the term of office for such representatives will be a maximum of four years, to run co-terminously with the election of the County Council. This means that the representative appointed at this time will serve a partial term, until the date of the County Council elections in May 2005.

In accordance with the Regulations and the County Council’s procedures, the name of the successful candidate must be reported to the County Council at this meeting, for the Council formally to appoint the successful candidate to the Education Scrutiny Committee.
(MOTION TO BE MOVED:-

That Mrs. S. Dudfield be appointed as a co-opted member of the Education Scrutiny Committee for the period ending with the County Council Elections in 2005).

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