

**Cury C of E Primary School
Local Governing Body meeting
Tuesday 22nd June 2021 at 5.30pm**

at Cury School



<p>1. <u>ATTENDING :</u></p> <p>Cury Geoff Cook Sarah French (Head of School) Angela Noble</p> <p>Garras Michael Davidson (Chair) Lucy Green Fiona Hoskin (via Google Meet) Leona Lugg Laura Murgatroyd Lucy Wandless (Executive head teacher)</p> <p>In Attendance: Pat Nicholas (Clerk) Kristin Pryor (Linked Trustee)</p>		
<p>2. <u>APOLOGIES :</u></p> <p>The meeting began with a prayer led by Mr Davidson. Apologies were received and accepted from Jayne Banner (CU) and Lesley Stott (CU).</p>		
	<u>ACTION</u>	
<p>3.</p>	<p><u>WELCOME AND DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTERESTS</u></p>	
	<p>The Chair welcomed governors to the meeting. Staff governors declared an interest as paid members of staff.</p>	
<p>4.</p>	<p><u>MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING (not on this agenda)</u></p>	
	<p>The minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 9th February 2021 were agreed as a true and accurate record, and signed by the Chair.</p>	

5.	<u>FEEDBACK FROM TRUST BOARD</u>	
	There was no feedback from the Trust Board for this meeting.	
6.	<u>FEEDBACK FROM THE FORUM</u>	
	N/A	
7.	<p><u>NOTIFICATION OF ANY NEWLY APPOINTED GOVERNORS/RESIGNATIONS</u></p> <p>There were no newly appointed governors since the last meeting.</p> <p>Governors were informed that Mrs Stott, who had not responded to emails or made any contact with the school over the last 18 months, was disqualified as a governor. The meeting heard that Mrs Stott had been in poor health. Mrs French had asked the Parish Council if anyone would be willing to join the Cury LGB, but there had been no response.</p> <p>Mr Cook had tendered his resignation, but had agreed to remain until the end of the autumn term in order to support the transition of the head teacher and any changes that came out of the consultation. Governors and headteachers offered their thanks to Mr Cook.</p> <p>Mrs Noble had tendered her resignation with effect from the end of the summer term, but offered her support with the school forum going forward. The meeting offered thanks for Mrs Noble's support.</p> <p>Vice Chair – no governors had come forward regarding the vacant Vice Chair position. This would be postponed once again for discussion at a future meeting.</p> <p>Equality governor - deferred to the next meeting.</p>	
8.	<u>HEAD TEACHER'S REPORT</u>	
	<p>Mrs French's report was circulated with the agenda. The main points discussed were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mrs Law is a qualified music teacher and has been leading music lessons with the children. ● The TA hours for September were still to be finalised, but until then it would not be appropriate to recruit, so the school may use a supply TA until recruitment was an option. Admin hours, too, may need to be reduced, and possibly combined with TA hours. ● Governors heard that there were still no definite numbers for September. Four YR children were due to join the school, but other families in KS1 were known to be looking for places in other schools. ● The consultation was still under way, so Mrs French was unable to confirm any of the changes until the consultation finished on the 23rd June. Parents had been incredibly supportive, many thought that the school would close, and were happy that the Trust was actively trying to keep the school open. <p>Q: Could the school use apprentices?</p> <p>A: Yes. The Trust does use them in a number of roles across the schools. As part of the recruitment authorisation process, schools are asked if the role they are looking for would be suitable for an apprentice.</p> <p>Q: Would the school close if numbers remained low?</p> <p>A: The Trust would work hard to make sure that the KS1 only model had been given adequate opportunity to gain results. It was important to 'throw everything at it', including marketing the school. The Parish Council had offered help with sending out flyers. The meeting heard that the parent and toddler sessions could be reinstated, after they had been cancelled because of the Covid19 restrictions.</p>	

	<p>Q: Would it be possible to have KS2 back again in the future?</p> <p>A: Yes, but the school would need to grow significantly i.e. around 30+ KS1 pupils.</p> <p>Q: Was any moderation in place for the assessments?</p> <p>A: School was using the PiRA (Progress in Reading Assessment), and PUMA (Progress in Maths Assessment) materials recommended by Mark Lees.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A pre SIAMS support visit had taken place with Katie Fitzsimmons; a few tweaks were recommended but the judgement was good overall. • Progress towards the priorities in the SDP were outlined. Governors heard that writing was the most difficult subject to teach remotely during home learning. <p>Q: Were there any areas from the Ofsted action meeting in February 2020 in which school hadn't been able to make progress?</p> <p>A: No, school has been able to make progress in all areas to meet the targets.</p> <p>Mr Davidson thanked Mrs French for her report.</p>	
9.	<u>SAFEGUARDING (GOVERNOR'S) REPORT</u>	
	<p>There was no report available for this meeting.</p> <p>The s157 had been completed and positive feedback received.</p>	
10.	<u>HEALTH & SAFETY UPDATE</u>	
	<p>There were no updates for this meeting.</p>	
11.	<u>SELECTED TOPICS FROM STRUCTURED QUESTIONS</u>	
	<p>Staffing</p>	<p>Covered under item 8; head teacher's report.</p>
	<p>Policy Implementation</p>	<p>Covered under item 8; head teacher's report.</p>
12.	<u>FEEDBACK ON GOVERNOR MONITORING VISITS</u>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Cook - Safeguarding 9.6.21 • Mrs Noble joined an english/reading staff meeting • Catch up plans - governors were asked to ensure that they include catch up plans as part of their monitoring visits <p>Governors received and noted the visit reports as presented.</p>	
13.	<u>FOCUS ITEMS AND UPDATES</u>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operational risk register (Covid19) <p>This had been reviewed to accommodate the latest guidance. This was a dynamic risk assessment review weekly by Mrs French, and shared with the Trustees and Mrs Bryant.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cury - consultation - covered under item 8: head teacher's report 	
14.	<u>IMPACT AND EFFECTIVENESS OF LOCAL GOVERNING BODY SINCE LAST MEETING</u>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monitoring standards by carrying out regular governor visits and attending staff meetings. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring staff wellbeing by keeping in touch regularly with the staff and headteacher. Improving skills and knowledge by attending relevant training.. 	
15.	<u>URGENT MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION</u>	
	Governors offered their best wishes to Mrs French as she takes up her new post as EHT for Sithney and Trannack Schools in September 2021.	
16.	<u>MATTERS TO BE RAISED WITH THE TRUST BOARD</u>	
	Mrs French and Mrs Wandless wished the Trustees to be aware of the exceptional support given to them by Mrs Bryant and Mr Pinhay during the Cury School consultation, and their appreciation of it. Governors wished their thanks to be added to this.	
17.	<u>DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS</u>	
	<p>Tuesday 5th October 5.30pm (formal meeting)</p> <p>Trust Board meetings for 2020 – 2021</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8th July 2021 	

<u>SUMMARY OF ACTIONS</u>		
Action	Responsible Person[s]	Date for Completion

The meeting concluded at 7.20pm

Chair's Signature _____ **Date** _____