

The Governing Body

The Governing Body needs to take a strategic role, act as a critical friend to the school and be accountable for its decisions. It should set aims and objectives and agree, monitor and review policies, targets and priorities

Terms of Reference:

- **To agree constitutional matters***, including procedures where the Governing Body has discretion.
- To recruit new members as vacancies arise and to appoint new governors where appropriate*
- **To hold at least 3 Governing Body meetings a year.** Greater ownership by each committee of its meeting schedule, including agreeing times and dates for the year in advance.
- **To appoint or remove the Chair and Vice Chair.**
- **To appoint or remove the Clerk to the Governing Body.**
- **To establish the committees of the Governing Body and their terms of reference.**
- **To appoint the Chair of any committee**, if not delegated to the committee itself.
- **To appoint or remove the Clerk for each committee.**
- **To agree policies delegated to the Full Governing Body and ratify Committee decisions to approve Committee related policies.**
- **To suspend a governor.**
- **To decide which functions of the Governing Body will be delegated to committees, groups and individuals***
- **To receive reports from any individual or committee to whom a decision has been delegated and to consider whether any further action by the Governing Body is necessary***
- **To approve the budget plan of the financial year.**
- **To keep the Health and Safety Policy and its practices under review and to make revisions where necessary.**
- **To review the delegation arrangement annually***
- Greater use of email/forums to ensure all governors communicate effectively outside of meetings.
- Subject governors must carry out at least one visit per school year and report back to the Governing Body.
- To monitor the following sections of the School Evaluation Form
 1. The school meets the requirements of the Special Educational Needs and Disability Act 2001. It has told parents about its policy and arrangements and reports annually on the success of its SEN policy and the progress made in approving accessibility.
 2. The school keeps parents and prospective parents informed by publishing a school prospectus and by publishing a school profile in accordance with Regulations (subject to the Education Bill 2005).
 3. The governing body has all relevant complaints and appeals procedures, as set out in the DfES guide to the law for school governors.

*These matters cannot be delegated to either a committee or individual.

Membership – As per the Instrument of Governors

These terms of reference were agreed by the Governing Body on 31.10.2017

Name of Governors

George Bishop

Louis Wilson

Guy Walsh

Jon Kettle

Tania Buss

Susan Ashworth

Chair of the Committee:

George Bishop

Vice Chair of the Committee:

Susan Ashworth

Quorum = 4**Date of Review:**

October 2018