



The Governance Statement

Annual Governance Statement for the Governing Body of Sheering Primary School September 2018

In accordance with the Government's requirement for all governing bodies, the 3 core strategic functions of the Sheering Primary School Governing Body are:

- 1. Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;**
- 2. Holding the headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils;**
- 3. Overseeing the financial performance of the school and ensuring it's available funds are used effectively.**

Governance arrangements

The Governing Body of Sheering Primary School has seen a number of changes leading up to the 2018/19 year with some governors coming to the end of their term. The board is supported by new parent governors that have joined the committee as their children took up new places in the school as well as new Governors joining from a community orientated perspective. The Governing Body is supported by a professional clerk.

The full Governing Body meets once each term and twice in the autumn term. There are two further committees to consider different aspects of the school in detail. At Sheering Primary School we have a Resources Committee that focuses on school spending and income, and with the school buildings and grounds and in particular health and safety. There is also a Personnel and Curriculum Committee focusing on some personnel matters as well as matters related to the school curriculum. We also have committees that meet if required to consider pupil discipline and urgent staffing matters such as appointing a new head teacher should that be necessary.

Attendance record of governors

Governors have excellent attendance at meetings and we have never cancelled a meeting because it was not "quorate" (the



	<p>number of governors needed to ensure that legal decisions can be made). See p4 for details of individual governors' attendance at meetings.</p>
<p>The work that we have done on our committees and in the governing body</p>	<p>The Governing Body has had a particularly busy year, with continual improvement through the school both in the attainment and progress of pupils, as well as the on-going improvement in the school premises both inside and out .</p> <p>The Ofsted visit in April 2016 confirmed the school's progress as we moved to 'Good'. An excellent improvement in the school's performance and foundation for further improvement during the next year.</p> <p>In addition we had a SIAMS visit in the 17/18 year confirming our position as a good church school that meets the needs of all learners with effective religious education and collective worship.</p> <p>The Personnel and Curriculum Committee has supported the continued progress of the new curriculum and governors also discuss key data giving the results of pupil achievement and progress, so that we can be sure that the school is on track to fulfil its ambitious targets for all pupils. We are also concerned about our "vulnerable groups" of children and focus on how the Pupil Premium is being spent by the school and what impact this has on their outcomes.</p> <p>Governors regularly review school data and benchmark this against other schools in the area, including attendance data which has again been very high at around 97% in 2017/8</p> <p>The Resources committee ensures that school budgets are used effectively and continually assess health and safety criteria to ensure that the school is a safe and rewarding environment for children. The Governors also consider how the additional Sports Premium has been allocated through the year.</p> <p>Minutes of Governing Body and Committee meetings are public documents – you can either find them on the Governors' page of our website or you can ask at the school office if you would like to see any of the minutes of our meetings.</p>



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Future plans for the Governors	During the 2017/8 school year Governors will be focused on supporting the teaching structure, and will carry on ensuring that continuous improvements are being made at the school in the form of improvements to academic results as well as further enhancements to the school physical environment.
How you can contact the governing body	We always welcome suggestions, feedback and ideas from parents – please contact the Chair of Governors via the school office. You can see the full list of governors; their attendance at meetings; minutes of governing body meetings and more information about what we do, on the Governors' page of the school website.



Sheering Primary School Governors' Attendance Record for 2015-2017

	18/9/17	28/6/17	13/3/17	28/11/16	22/9/16	29/6/16	29/6/15	14/3/16	18/11/15	24/9/15
Mrs Linda Ainsworth						Chair*	Chair*	Chair*	Chair*	Chair*
Mrs Lorna Brittain (Headteacher)	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Mrs Louise Ansell				*	*		*	*	*	*
Mrs Pamela Gaines	*	Chair*	Chair*	Chair*	Chair*	*	*	*	*	*
Mr Andrew Hoy				*	*	*	*	*	*	
Mr Tony Scott		*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Mr Steve Townsend	Chair*	*	*	*		*	*	*		*
Mrs Anna Beck	*	*	*	*	*	*	n/a	*	*	n/a
Mr Gareth Maxwell			*	*	*	*	n/a	*	*	n/a
Mrs Barbara Barker							*		*	
Rev Stewart Gibbs							*	n/a	n/a	n/a
Mrs Alison Uncle							*			
Mr Paul Newman	*	*	*	*						
Mr Andy Kent	*		*	*						
Mrs Cheryl Bedford	*	*	*							
Rev Dawn Jewson			*	*	*					

* Denotes in attendance for Sheering Full Governors meeting academic year 2015- 2016



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Governors attendance 2017/2018

Name	Type of governor	Term of office	Attendance 18/9/17	Attendance 29/11/17	Attendance 12/3/18	Attendance 26/6/18
Louise Ansell	Staff	23.9.18				
Anna Beck	Co-opted	13.12.19	*	*	*	*
Cheryl Bedford	Co-opted	12.3.21	*	*	*	*
Lorna Brittain	Headteacher	N/A	*	*	*	*
Pamela Gaines	Foundation PCC	11.06.22	*	*	*	*
Rev Dawn Jewson	Ex officio	N/A		*		*
Andy Kent	Parent	27.11.20	*	*	*	*
Paul Newman	LA	16.12.20	*	*	*	*
Steve Townsend	Parent	2.2.21	*	*	*	*
Gareth Maxwell	Parent			*		*
Tony Scott	Co-opted			*	*	*
Vacancy	DBE					



GOVERNOR	TYPE	END DATE	COMMITTEE	RESPONSIBILITY
Paul Newman	Authority	16/12/2020	Resources Appeals	Health & Safety
Anna Beck	Co-opted	13/12/19	Resources HT Performance Review Panel Appeals	Link English Pupil Premium
Tony Scott	Co-opted	01/08/2018	Resources HT Performance Review Panel	Child Protection/safeguarding
Vacancy	Foundation D.B.E			Community Links
Rev Dawn Jewson	Foundation Ex Officio		Appeals	Christian Distinctiveness, Social, Moral, Spiritual & Cultural
Pamela Gaines	Foundation P.C.C	11/06/22	Personnel & Curriculum HT Performance Review Panel Pay Panel	Vice Chair of Governors Equality, Christian Distinctiveness
Andy Kent	Parent	27/11/20	Personnel & Curriculum Discipline staff/pupils Pay Panel	
Steve Townsend	Parent	02/02/21	Resources Personnel & Curriculum Discipline staff/pupils Pay Panel	Chair of Governors Chair of Resources Maths PE & Sports Premium Assessment
Gareth Maxwell	Parent	01/08/2018	Personnel & Curriculum Discipline staff/pupils	Chair of Personnel & Curriculum Website SEN EYFS
Lorna Brittain	Headteacher	N/A	Personnel & Curriculum Resources	
Louise Ansell	Staff	23/9/2018	Personnel & Curriculum	
Cheryl Bedford	Co-opted	12/3/21	Personnel & Curriculum Discipline staff/pupils Pay Panel	Safeguarding

3 x Parents, 3 x Co-opted, 1 x LA, 2 x staff, 3 x Foundation (1x DBE, 1 x PCC, 1 x ex-officio). Total 12



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