

The Governing Body

Full Board, which acts as Trustees for Walkwood Academy Trust

Main Purpose

The Full Board of the Governing Body

- needs to take a strategic role, act as a critical friend to the school and be accountable for its decisions;
- 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 set, monitor and evaluate the vision and the overall strategic direction of the school*.
- To review the delegation arrangements annually*.
- To recruit new members as vacancies arise and to appoint new governors* where appropriate.
- To hold at least three Governing Body meetings a year*, not counting the initial Business Meeting.
- To appoint or remove the Chair and Vice Chair*.
- To appoint or remove a 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 a Clerk to each committee*.
- To decide which functions of the Governing Body will be delegated to committees, groups and individuals*.
- To allocate Governors to specific roles to oversee operational; aspects of the school.
- 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 receive and ratify the previous year's budget, year-end accounts and break down for future budgets
- To approve the first formal budget plan of the financial year
- To keep the Health and Safety Policy and its practice under review and to make revisions where appropriate
- To establish a Pay Policy for all categories of staff and to be responsible for its administration and review.
- To receive termly reports on aspects of the school's operation, including areas of Safeguarding, SEND and Children who are Looked After.
- To take any other decision not delegated to school staff or a committee.

*these matters cannot be delegated to either a committee or an individual

Quorum

One half of the number of Governors currently appointed.

Composition

Name of Governor	End of term of office
Father Glenn Reading	Ex-officio
Rev. Clive Leach	Ex-officio
Mrs Sian Battle-Welch	04.07.25
Mr Carl Onens	04.07.25
Mr Sohail Khan	04.07.25
Mrs Jo PowerMr Ken Muir	02.07.25
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Rev Ruth Wilson	16.05.25

Positions

Chair: Mrs Jo Power

Vice Chair: Father Glenn Reading

Clerk: Mrs Sue Hill

School Representation

The Principal may delegate responsibility for representation to the Senior Leadership Team

Valid period

Approved on 26 September 2022 for the academic year

Review

Business meeting, September 2023