

# THE ASHLEY SCHOOL ACADEMY TRUST THE GOVERNING BODY

*The Governing Body needs to take a strategic role, act as a critical friend to the Academy 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 three Governing Body meetings a year.\*
- 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 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 first formal budget plan of the financial year (**delegated to Leadership and Management Committee**).
- To keep the Health and Safety Policy and its practice under review and to make revisions where appropriate (**delegated to Behaviour and Safety Committee**).
- To review the delegation arrangements annually.\*
- To keep abreast of the Equalities policy.
- To approve residential or outdoor activities/trips.
- *Any items which individual governing bodies may wish to include.*

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

**Membership – as per the Instrument of Government.**

**Disqualification** – as per Regulation 20 and Schedule 6 of the Constitution Regulations.

<b>These terms of reference were reviewed and agreed by the Governing Body</b>	11 <sup>th</sup> December 2013
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Name of Governor	Term of Office Ends
Mr Dale Gowen	September 2015
Mr Philip Hayes	September 2015
Mrs Cheryl Betts	September 2015
Dr Caroline Hyde	September 2015
Mr Martin Lott	September 2015
Mrs Eveline Thomas	September 2015
Mrs Marion Trowbridge	September 2015
Mr Paul Wilkinson	July 2017
Ms Sally Garrett	September 2017

<b>Chair of the Governing Body</b>	Mr Dale Gowen
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<b>Vice-Chair of the Governing Body</b>	Mr Philip Hayes
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<b>Clerk to the Governing Body</b>	Mrs Donna Petty
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<b>Quorum</b>	One half of the number of Governors in Post
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