

# Hurstbourne Tarrant Church of England (controlled) Primary School

Headteacher: Mr Gareth Dee BSc.Econ (Hons) PGCE

Our Core Christian Values: Respect, Honesty, Love & Care

"Through our Christian values of Respect, Honesty, Care and Love, we aim to ensure that our school is a place which enables you to fulfil your journey together in mutual respect within an environment that enables you to have a positive purpose in life being true to yourself and others".

# MINUTES OF THE FULL GOVERNING BODY MEETING Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at 5.15pm

**Governors Present:** Mr Gareth Dee (GD) - Head Teacher

Mrs Miriam Edwards (ME) - Co-Opted Governor (Chair)

Mrs Kate Walbyoff (KW) - Foundation Governor

Mr Rob Price (RP)

Mr Freddy Colquhoun (FC)

Mrs Penny Lewis (PL)

- Staff Governor

- Parent Governor

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Mrs Eva Healey (EH) - Co-Opted Governor

**Apologies:** Mr Roddy Wakeford - LEA Governor

Mrs Joanne Ray - Co-opted Governor
Mr Ian Morris - Co-opted Governor
Mr Robert Perry - Parent Governor

**Not present:** Ms Adel du Toit - Parent governor

Non-Governors present: Dr David Ellis(DE) - Clerk

The meeting opened with a prayer.

#### I. <u>Declaration of Pecuniary Interests</u>

There were no Pecuniary Interests declared.

#### 2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting & Matters Arising

The minutes of the Full Governing Body meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> May 2022 were unanimously agreed, with two minor amendments, for signature by the Chair.

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

#### 3. Head Teacher's Report

The Head Teacher's report had been circulated prior to the meeting. The Chair invited







questions rather than the Head Teacher read through his report.

The Head Teacher responded as follows to a number of questions from governors:

The KS2 SATS results were very disappointing, Yr 6 had a low cohort with a large proportion of SEND pupils, and absence as a result of lockdowns and Covid-related illness had not helped those who needed most help. Writing results were as expected, Reading was better than expected, but Maths & SPAG were particularly disappointing. Two children just fell below expected results. Girls did better than the boys. SATS results do not need to be published. The results could trigger an Ofsted inspection, but the LLP was satisfied with all the support in place for the more challenging children. All the issues with this cohort had been documented for several years. All the work on the wider curriculum was well advanced. Only 50% of that cohort were 'home grown', many having joined much later in the junior years, so had not had the benefit of being supported from Reception.

Reading was Ofsted's priority - looking at the data it evidenced the increased resourcing in Reading. He was awaiting the analysis school performance data due at the end of August. 50% missed half the year in Y4 and a disjointed Y5. 59% was the national ARE across R, W & M. The current Y5 was a much stronger cohort going into Y6 and GD/RP would examine maths teaching in both KS1 and KS2

The KSI results were in line with historical figures in Reading and Writing. Maths was lower, where some focus was needed. As per above, GD questioned whether the teaching needed to be adjusted?

A lot of work had been done on Reading and the last 3 years had seen improvements, focussing on comprehension style lessons and more specific teaching.

The Y4 pupils (8 children) took part in the Multiplication Tables Check, an online assessment where the children have to answer the questions within a strict time limit. The children were asked 25 questions and 3 of the children scored 25. One child scored 23, another scored 20. Two other children scored 15 and 16 respectively and the lowest score was 7.

#### 4. School Improvement Plan

The SATS results would need to be added, but otherwise, updates had been made where necessary to the SIP and it was published on the Governors' Zone of the website.

#### 5. Policies

All relevant policies would be updated in the Autumn term, and in time for the September FGB meeting as necessary, including the introduction of uniform, wellbeing and menopause policies, utilising Hampshire policies where appropriate.

6. Committee Updates - see separate committee minutes for full details

#### Curriculum & Standards Committee meeting held on 21st June

The LLP visit at the start of June had been successful, with a suggestion to increase the use of CPOMS for safeguarding issues.

SEND and Foundation Subject monitoring had been carried out by governors.







### Resources Committee meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> June

Any children from Hatherden school who join HBT in September would bring funding already allocated to them, and in particular any who would need targeted interventions.

The current year's budget was running in line with expectations, with a few nuances in non-staffing costs with a possible £9-10,000 carry forward next year. The 3-year budget to be reviewed in September once any additional Hatherden children join, but this would all have a positive impact on the budget.

The toilet refurbishment was still an ongoing challenge, to be funded from the capital budget. Some quotes were still to be obtained, but one had been submitted for £47,000 so very much over budget.

Autumn class flooring was still to be replaced, but no updated had been obtained from Hampshire.

A generous parent had donated money for new cricket kit.

#### 7. Wellbeing Governor Update

The staff wellbeing questionnaire had been distributed, and four responses received to date. These were mostly anonymous. An overview would be prepared for the next FGB with ideas for long term and quick fix options. Wellbeing Wednesday had been introduced, with iced water provided in the staffroom and a poster explaining the impact of even mild dehydration on cognitive processing.

A Y6 leavers' questionnaire was to be completed.

#### 8. Training

PL & ME had completed the wellbeing training online. FC had booked H&S training. WGB training to be organised - EH had found the Ofsted training very useful. Agreed to book Ofsted WGB training.

## 9. Dates of future meetings

ME would send out a draft list of dates for FGB and committee meetings for the new academic year, based on responses as to preferred availability during the week.

#### 10. Any Other Business

Eva Healey announced her resignation, to which the governors wished her well in her new home in Devon nearer family, and a leaving gift was given.

The Chair asked everyone to consider nominees as a replacement.

The Chair welcomed back the Clerk from a period of sickness absence.

The new reverend was due to move into the Vicarage early September, and would take up the ex-officio Foundation Governor role.





