

Minutes of the Full Governing Body of Wilburton Church of England Primary School 7pm 29 September 2025 Virtual

Present: Present: David Aston - Head (DA), Anthea Dodson (Chair), Angie Sykes (AS), Zoe Morgan (ZM), Louisa Tipler (LT), Bonnie Mitchell (BM), Sian Moss (SM) (joined the meeting 19:15, left the meeting at 20:00, rejoined at 20:05)),

In attendance: Meleena Walsh (Clerk)

No	Minute	Action
1	Opening prayer	
	AD led the opening prayer.	
2	Welcome	
	The Chair thanked and welcomed everyone to the first meeting of the academic year.	
	The FGB was quorate based on the number of governors in post.	
3	Apologies	
	Carly Juneau (CJ) – apologies accepted and consent given.	
4	Matters to be raised under AOB,	
	Chair – Clerk	
5	Declarations of Interest	
	None.	
6	Minutes from previous meeting (18 July 20 25)	
	Draft for approval (please read prior to the meeting)	Clerk/
	The meeting were duly ratified and accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.	Chair
	Matters arising and actions	
		Chair
	Item 6	
	Minutes - complete	

	Statement of entitlement - complete		
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	Evidence added on to Google Drive – Outstanding	All	
	Upload outstanding reports by the end of Summer term 2 – some reports are still outstanding.	All	
	Collective Worship (End of Autumn 1)		
	Item 12		
	Look at recruitment of new governors – to be discussed in item 12.		
7	Election of FGB Chair and Vice-Chair and Committee Chairs and Vice-Chair (if necessary after item 6)		
	Anthea Dodson - Unanimously elected as Chair		
	Louisa Tipler - Unanimously elected as Vice Chair		
	No committee chairs elected at this time due to the number of governors		
	in post.		
8	Governance Document Review		
	i) Code of Conduct – accepted by the governors on Governor Hub ii) Standing Orders – it was noted that there were presently two sets of standing orders for the committees and these were to remain in place and worked iii) Instrument of Governance – this is showing as 12 governors and this will remain as this structure for the forthcoming academic year. iv) KCSIE – see Governor Hub v) Annual Pecuniary Interest – See Governor Hub		
9	HT Report (to included update on preschool)		
	The Head presented an overview of the Head Teacher's Report.		
	It was noted that all pupils were now in the setting full time following on from the phased start.		
	The work that had been undertaken in EYFS over the school holidays has made both fantastic change to the indoor and outdoor space. All the invoices for the refurbishment have now been received. £40,000 - £32,000 is coming in from Local Authority.		

New class structure in place and is working well.

Preschoolers and EYFS

Reception/year 1

Year 2/3

Year 3/4

Year 5/6

Current number on roll 115 (including 5 preschoolers)

It was noted that there was a high percentage of children on roll that are from the traveller community – this is something that will need to be closely monitored as they move through the school to ensure that these pupils are making good levels of attainment and progress.

Budget

Actual spend vs budgeted spend – currently on track for this point in the financial year. It was noted that there was a larger amount spent on supply costs to date and this would result in there not being a wide margin of spend of supply cover between now and

Q/ A governor asked – is there anything creative that can be done to provide cover for a teacher absence that doesn't incur the costs?

A/ The Head responded that where possible the lessons are covered by the HLTA or the Head wherever possible.

SIP

The document had been made available to the governors on Governor Hub prior to the meeting.

Oracy - the progression of the oracy skills through the learning framework. Looking at the overall oracy outcomes. Oracy and Writing - to be monitored by Louisa Tipler and Sian Moss

Learning culture – inclusion, pupil participation, teaching practice looking at small staps and cognitive load, It was noted that Anthea Dodson would be link governor for Learning Culture.

Maths – developing the pedagogies that will enable all pupils to access the maths curriculum. The school will be a part of the Maths Hub pilot scheme (looking at mixed age materials). Maths - to be monitored by Bonnie Mitchell.

Tracking of progress – looking at the progress and attainment of all pupils with a focus on pupils with SEND requirements

SIAMS focus – looking at the diversity of Christianity. It was noted that Anthea Dodson would be link governor for the Christianity foci.

Writing – work around sentence structure to move pupil progress and attainment along in writing. This will continue to be embedded over the coming year.

Curriculum – continuing to assess that the curriculum is broad and balanced and ensure attainment and progress for all pupils.

Science – KS2 science – foci will be on scientific enquiry skills. The school will be signing up for support from National Science Centre and this will be a 2 year ongoing program. It was noted that Zoe Morgan would be the link governor for Science.

It was noted that Carly Juneau had started the school on a program to review sustainability.

Thanks to be given to Steve and Dave on the refurbishment work that had been undertaken over the holidays.

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Policies

i) Safeguarding

The governors duly accepted and adopted the Safeguarding Policy.

ii) Admissions

The Governors duly accepted and adopted the Admissions Policy.

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FGB Standard Items*

i) Safeguarding

It was noted that the files from the year 6 leavers (July 2025) had all been received and sign off by the new settings. All checks had been undertaken on new pupils entering the school.

ACTION The safeguarding link governor will arrange a monitoring visit by the end of Autumn 1.

ii) Governor Training

It was noted the school had signed up for CGS training provision and all governors were encouraged to sign up for training.

	iii)	Governor Monitoring		
	Item	covered in SDP.		
	iv)	Committee Reports		
	v)	SIAMS & PSC		
	The Head gave thanks for the support that had been shown by the governors and the staff at the SIAMS inspection. The report has not been made available as of			
	yet but, it was felt that it was a positive visit. It was noted that the areas for development aligned with both the			
	scho	ol and the diocese.		
	vi)	SEND		
	Action SEND	Iink governor to arrange a monitoring visit before the end of		
	Autumn 1.			
12	Governor Bu	usiness		
	Governing Body development including			
	recruitment/aims/training			
	The governo	or terms of office were discussed, and the Clerk had	Chair/	
	advised the Chair and the Head that they would need to ensure		All	
	that the adv	ertisement of any vacancies were in line with		
	procedure.			
	It was noted	that the application for the role of governors should		
	be made mo	ore acceptable for the wider traveller community and		
	other platfo	rms should be explored to promote the opportunity of		
	becoming a	governor. It was mentioned that perhaps a recorded		
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message could be uploaded onto SWAY.

	It was noted that the school could place an advertisement in Fen Scene and the last issue of the village magazine that would be going out in December 2025.	
13	Any Other Business Nil	
14	 Impact of Meeting on School Improvement Positive SIAMS visit Consistency of governors monitoring SDP points of Maths, Oracy and Learning Culture ensuring good progress being made A good start to the academic year for the split classes. The high number of traveller community Maths Hub Pilot Scheme training and Science rolling program over 2 year. 	
	The meeting closed at 20:16	
	Date of next meeting:	
	TBC	

Item	Action	Who	Complete?
11i	The safeguarding link governor will	LT	By Autumn
	arrange a monitoring visit by the end of		1
	Autumn 1.		

11vi	The SEND link governor will arrange a	AD	
	monitoring visit by the end of Autumn 1.		