

Whickham Parochial CofE Primary School – Governing Body Membership and Vacancies

Appointments	Type	Start Date	End Date
Mrs Lorraine Ferguson	Co-opted	01/09/2019	31/08/2023
Mr David Harrison	Co-opted	22/10/2020	21/10/2024
Mr Tony Lister	Co-opted	17/03/2022	16/03/2026
Cllr Marilyn Ord	Co-opted	01/09/2019	31/08/2023
Rev Barry Abbott	Foundation	07/10/2004	
Mr Chris Liddle	Foundation	18/12/2020	17/12/2024
Mrs Gillian Surtees	Foundation	17/09/2021	16/09/2025
Mrs Rachel Walton	Headteacher	17/03/2020	
Mrs Beth Smith	Local Authority	01/09/2019	31/08/2023
Mrs Angie Hulbert	Parent	09/05/2022	08/05/2026
Mrs Veronica MacCabe	Parent	17/02/2023	16/02/2027
Mrs Rebecca Jackson	Staff	24/06/2023	23/06/2027

Position	Type
Mrs Gillian Surtees	Chair
Mrs Lorraine Ferguson	Vice-Chair

Establishment	Required	Appointees	Vacancies
Co-opted	4	4	0
Foundation	3	3	0
Headteacher	1	1	0
Local Authority	1	1	0
Parent	2	2	0
Staff	1	1	0
TOTAL	12	12	0

Previous Appointments	Type	Start Date	End Date
Ms Helen Dillon	Staff	24/06/2019	23/06/2023
Mrs Rachel Simpson-Smith	Parent	26/01/2021	12/12/2022

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Governing body regulations (maintained schools)

- Governors are appointed/elected as follows:
 - Co-opted - appointed by the governing body
 - Foundation - appointed by the Diocese (or the PCC if appropriate - there may also be provision in the Instrument of Government for the parish priest to be ex-officio)
 - Headteacher - ex-officio
 - Local Authority - appointed by the governing body, following approval of the 'nomination' by the LA
 - Parent/Staff - elected by parents/staff respectively
- Governing bodies must have at least seven governors, including the Headteacher; one and only one Local Authority governor; one and only one Staff governor; at least two Parent governors; and for Voluntary Aided schools, there must be exactly two more Foundation governors than all other categories combined.
- The total number of Co-opted governors who are also eligible to be elected as Staff governors, when counted with the Staff governor and the Headteacher, must not exceed one third of the total membership of the governing body.
- The term of office for any governor shall be four years (unless otherwise stated in the Instrument of Government), save that this time limit shall not apply to any post which is held ex officio. Associate Members can be appointed for between one and four years. Parent governors may serve out their term of office when their child leaves the school, but Staff governors must resign when they leave the school.
- Associate Members and governors who are members of staff cannot be Chair or Vice-Chair. Associate Members also do not count towards a quorum and do not have voting rights for governing body meetings (but can be appointed with voting rights on committees).
- The governing body must hold at least three meetings in every school year, and the quorum for a meeting of the governing body and for any vote on any matter at such a meeting, is one half (rounded up to a whole number) of the membership of the governing body, i.e. the number of governors in post at the date of the meeting.
- Every question to be decided at a meeting of the governing body is to be determined by a majority of the votes of the governors present and voting on the question, and where there is an equal division of votes the Chair, or as the case may be, the person who is acting as Chair for the purposes of the meeting (provided that such person is a governor), will have a second or casting vote (the governing body may approve alternative arrangements for governors to participate or vote at meetings of the governing body including but not limited to by telephone or video conference).