## The Governing Body

The Governing Body needs to take a strategic role, act as a critical friend to the School 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
- To keep the Health and Safety Policy and its practice under review and to make revisions where appropriate
- To review the delegation arrangements annually\*

\*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

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