



Harnham Infant School Governing Body – Structure and Responsibilities

Harnham Infants' Governing Board is made up of:

- 1 Headteacher
- 1 Staff Governor
- 5 Parent Governors
- 1 Local Authority Governor
- 5 Co opted Governors

Governors come from various professional backgrounds and contribute different skills. A mixture of experienced and newly appointed Governors provides the benefits of both continuity and a fresh approach to Governance.

The Full Governing Body (FGB) meets at least once a seasonal term. In the intervening weeks the Committees: Finance, Curriculum, Welfare and Health & Safety & Premises meet to give detailed consideration to issues and make recommendations to the Full Governing Body. The chair of the FGB is Beth Evans and the vice chair is Matt Trigg.

Members of the Finance Committee are concerned with the financial management of the school. They receive detailed information from the Headteacher and the school Finance Officer throughout the year. The chair of this committee is Matt Trigg .

The Health & Safety and Premises Committee meet to discuss issues and matters relating to the premises and Health and Safety. They use the Local Authority (LA) annual audit to complete ensure the school is line with the recommendations from the LA. The chair of this committee is Jon Murley.

The Welfare Committee meet to discuss the welfare of the staff and children. They have a specific responsibility to monitor attendance, wellbeing, behaviour and suspensions.

The members of the Staffing Committee consider matters of staffing and pay and conditions. Applicants for all teaching posts are interviewed by Governors. The chair of this committee is Liz Jennings.

The Curriculum Committee is at the heart of the school as it deals with all matters concerned with the educational provision. Its members have to keep up to date with many curriculum issues and decide on the impact of these at Harnham Infants. This Committee meets with teaching staff on a regular basis, hears of their work and joins some of their lessons. The chair of this committee is Beth Evans

Meetings are taken from all meetings are minuted and are circulated to all Governors. The Headteacher, Deputy Headteacher and members of the senior leadership team are fully involved in the work of these Committees and act in partnership with the Governors.

Individual Link Governors liaise with Curriculum teachers throughout the year and report back to Governors at Full Governing Body meetings. Governors regularly attend Governor in School days.