

# Downholland Haskayne CE Primary School

## Governance Statement 2017-18

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The Governing body of Downholland Haskayne CE Primary School plays a crucial role in the life and work of our school. Governors make decisions about many aspects of the school, including the curriculum, staffing and finance.

### Strategic functions of the governing body are:

1. Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
2. Holding the Headteacher to account for the education performance of the school and its pupils
3. Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent

### Composition of Governing Body

Position Held	Representative	Appointed By	Date Appointed	Term Ends
<b>Chairman</b>	Rev Paul Robinson	Appointed by GB/Board	1 June 2017	31 May 2021
<b>Vice Chair</b>	Mrs Vera Ainsworth	Nominated by other body and appointed by GB	15 January 2015	14 January 2019
<b>Headteacher</b>	Mrs Carol McIlwain	Ex-officio by virtue of office as headteacher	1 September 2017	31 August 2021
<b>Staff Governor</b>	Mrs Lorraine Noble	Elected by school staff	01 September 2015	31 August 2019 Stepped Down 31 August 2018
<b>P.C.C Representatives</b>	Mr John Bond Mrs Vera Ainsworth Mr Derek Finney Mrs Roberta White	Nominated by other body and appointed by GB	15 January 2015 15 January 2015 15 January 2015 2 September 2017	14 January 2019 14 January 2019 14 January 2019 1 September 2021
<b>Diocesan Board Representatives</b>	Mrs Val Dyer Mrs Wendy Kelly	Nominated by other body and appointed by GB	30 March 2005 30 March 2005	29 March 2021 29 March 2021
<b>Minor Authority Representative</b>	Mr Owen Connelly	Nominated by other body and appointed by GB	01 September 2015	31 August 2019
<b>L.E.A. Representative</b>	Mrs Jan Hodson	Nominated by LA and appointed by GB	01 September 2016	31 August 2020
<b>Co-opted</b>	Mrs Lyn Brady	Appointed by governing body	1 September 2015	31 August 2019
<b>Elected Parent Representatives</b>	Mrs Ruth Turpin	Elected by parents	01 September 2015	31 August 2019
<b>Elected Parent Representatives</b>	Mrs Alison Welsby	Elected by parents	01 September 2013	Stepped Down July 2017

## Attendance Recorded

If governors do not attend meetings they cannot contribute to discussions or decision making. As some governing bodies have only 12 members attendance is important to remain 'quorate' that is the number of governors needed to ensure that legal decisions can be made. The Dfe Governor's Handbook (2.4.4) states that the quorum for governing body meetings is one half of the membership of the governing body, not including any vacant positions.

Name	Register of business interest	Register of Financial interest	Register of Material interest	Register of Relationship between governors & staff	Governance roles in other Educational institutions	Meetings Attended Autumn Term	Meetings Attended Spring Term	Meetings Attended Summer Term
Paul Robinson	Non	Non	Non	Non	Yes	X	X	X
Carol McIlwain	Non	Non	Non	Non	Yes	X	X	X
Vera Ainsworth	Non	Non	Non	Non	Non	Apologies	X	X
Lorraine Noble	Non	Non	Non	Yes	Non	X	Apologies	Apologies
Lyn Brady	Non	Non	Non	Non	Non	X	Apologies	X
John Bond	Non	Non	Non	Non	Non	Apologies	X	X
Derek Finny	Non	Non	Non	Non	Non	Apologies	Apologies	Apologies
Val Dyer	Non	Non	Non	Non	Non	X	Apologies	Apologies
Wendy Kelly	Non	Non	Non	Non	Non	X	X	X
Owen Connolly	Non	Non	Non	Non	Yes	X	Apologies	Apologies
Jan Hodson	Non	Non	Non	Non	Non	X	X	X
Ruth Turpin	Non	Non	Non	Non	Non	X	X	X
Roberta White	Non	Non	Non	Non	Non	X	X	X

## Committee's

Fabric & Finance	Health & Safety	Standards and Effectiveness Committee	Personnel Committee	Safeguarding	Pay committee
Ruth Turpin	John Bond	Paul Robinson	Wendy Kelly	Paul Robinson	Vera Ainsworth
Vera Ainsworth	Derek Finny	Jan Hodson	Val Dyer	Carol McIlwain	Lyn Brady
John Bond	Carol McIlwain	Lyn Brady	Paul Robinson		Owen Connolly
Roberta White	Lyn Brady	Carol McIlwain	Carol McIlwain		
Derek Finny		Vera Ainsworth			
Lyn Brady		Sue Pittendreigh (advisor)			

## **Chair's overview**

### **Downholland Haskayne CE Primary School is a good school**

A good school is effective in delivering outcomes that provide well for all its pupils' needs. Pupils are well prepared for the next stage of their education, training or employment. Safeguarding is good. The safety and welfare of our pupils is the responsibility of all staff and all staff are involved in it. Our appointment procedures are robust, with appropriate clearance sought. Our systems and procedures are updated to ensure we are compliant. Training is provided annually. All aspects of ground and perimeter safety, of e-safety and safeguarding procedures are checked annually. KCSiE 2016 has been the focus of a staff meeting and Governors meeting since its publication.

The curriculum is all the planned activities that we organise in order to promote learning and personal growth and development. It includes not only the formal requirements of the National Curriculum, but also the range of extra-curricular activities that the school organises in order to enrich the experience of the children. It also includes the 'hidden curriculum', or what the children learn from the way they are treated and expected to behave. We aim to teach children how to grow into positive, responsible people, who can work and co-operate with others while developing knowledge and skills, so that they achieve their true potential.

### **What's next for 2018-19**

The school improvement plan outlines the areas for development within the school. This is tied to appraisal and data within the school.

Governors ensure that the highest standards of school are maintained and that the resources are deployed to ensure they are cost effective and the impact of spending is monitored by our committees. The governors meet termly to evaluate school standards and ensure that the needs of the children are met.