

ASHGATE CROFT SCHOOL - THE GOVERNORS' DIGEST AUTUMN 2017



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Welcome to this issue of The Governors' Digest

Through this short publication we aim to keep you informed on all aspects of the Governing Board of Ashgate Croft School.

We hope you will find it useful and informative.

A list of dates of meetings for the Full Governing Board and for the Committees is now available on the school website.

Who's who on the Governing Board in 2017 - 2018

Chair

Jemma Monkhouse	Co-opted Governor - <u>Chair</u>
Ian McIntosh	Parent Governor
Lisa Hodgson	Parent Governor
Paul Turner	Parent Governor
Vacant Position	LA Governor
Simon Oxspring	Co-opted Governor - <u>Vice Chair</u>
Michael Noon	Co-opted Governor
Rebecca Lane	Co-opted Governor
Vacant Position	Co-opted Governor
Emily Gilthorpe	Staff Governor
Claire Jones	Head Teacher

Minutes of meetings are available to view in school:

Curriculum & Progress Committee

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 11th January 2018

Report on the meeting of the Full Governing Board, held 28.09.2017 & 23.11.2017

At the above meetings, Governors considered:

1. Learners' Trust
2. Election of Chair and Vice Chair
3. Terms of Reference for all committees
4. Schools Financial Value Standard – skills analysis
5. CPD report and action plan
6. Report on looked after children
7. Report on Child Protection
8. Child Protection policy
9. Safeguarding audit and action plan
10. School Improvement Plans:
 - a. Leadership & Management: To review the budget situation
 - b. Peer Mentoring Programme: To implement the lesson study peer mentoring programme
 - c. Personal development, behaviour and welfare: To implement a more effective behaviour monitoring system
 - d. Outcomes for children and learners: To implement and review the effectiveness of the KS3 curriculum
11. Governor links to key areas in school
12. Feedback from Governor monitoring visits
13. Recruitment of governors
14. Headteacher's reports on school improvement, staffing, pupils, pupil attendance, parent/carer comments from annual reports and Healthy School Communities award, Ofsted update and feedback
15. Federation of Derbyshire Special Schools update
16. Policies approved: Governor induction pack, Equality policy, Child Protection – Record keeping guidance for schools, Attendance policy for parents, Private fostering policy, Autism policy, Whole school food, Design Technology, Assessment for learning, Assessment Recording and Reporting, EYFS, English, Reporting code/Whistleblowing

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Report on the meeting of the Resources Committee, held 05.10.2017 & 07.12.2017

At the above meeting, Governors considered:

1. Staffing and budget
2. Finance update
3. School Financial Value Standard (SFVS)
4. Premises report, including health, safety and lettings.
5. Staffing
6. Audit action plan
7. Policies approved: Critical incident, Pay policy, Management of stress, Equality and diversity, Competence procedure, Pool safety operation procedure, Financial regulations and procedures, Fire prevention and evaluation, School meals, Lockdown procedure, Management of Legionella, Staff induction.