

# **Brooklands Farm Primary School Annual Governance Statement**

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The governing body must be only contacted via the school details given above, which is the legal business address for the whole governing body.

Category of school	Maintained
DfE number	826/3391
Ofsted grading and date of last inspection	Outstanding 29th - 30th June 2022

Name of Executive Headteacher	Maxine Low
Deputy Headteacher	Elisabeth Morrison

Date of Annual Governance Statement	Established September 2015 and
	(updated after every meeting)

All schools in England have a Governing Body which is responsible for overseeing many of the strategic decisions of the school.

As defined by the Department for Education (DfE) in The School Governance (Roles, Procedures and Allowances) (England) Regulations 2013, the core functions of the governing body include:

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- Holding the headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils; and performance management of staff
- To oversee the financial performance of the school and ensure money is well spent.

In exercising their functions the governing body shall

- Act with integrity, objectivity and honesty and in the best interests of the school;
   and
- Be open about the decisions they make and the actions they take and in particular shall be prepared to explain their decisions and actions to interested parties.

Our governing body has a code of conduct which is reviewed and agreed annually. All governors and associate members are obliged to abide by this code.

A key role is to act as a 'critical friend': to support, to challenge, to ask questions, ultimately to represent the school community. Our Governing Body is composed of volunteers who are interested in the continued progress of Brooklands Farm Primary School and in ensuring the best possible education for the children in our school. The Governing Body at Brooklands Farm works in close partnership with the head teacher, staff and the local authority. Whilst the head teacher is, of course, responsible for the day to day running of the school, the governors are involved with such things as staffing, curriculum, school buildings and finance. It ensures the school functions well and maintains the proper range of academic and social objectives.

## Legal constitution of the governing body

The governing body was formally reconstituted on

26<sup>th</sup> March 2015

Category of Governor	Appointed or elected onto the governing body?
3 x Co-opted Governors  • Kayleigh Hollingsworth  • Kelly Cursley	Appointed by Governing Board
3 x Parent Governors	Elected on to the governing board by parents of pupils at the school
1 x Headteacher  • Maxine Low	Governor by virtue of employment by the school
1 x Staff Governor  • Debbie Kanayah	Elected on to the governing board by all staff employed by the school
1 x Local Authority Governor  • Daniel Thomas	Nominated by the Local Authority (Milton Keynes Council), and appointed by the governing board
Total number of governors = 9	•

The Clerk to the Governors is	Katie Litchfield
The Chair of Governors is	Daniel Thomas
The Vice Chair of Governors is	Kayleigh Hollingsworth

#### How the governing body delegates and distributes its duties

The governing body agreed to form the following Schedule of Full Governing Body Meetings on 7<sup>th</sup> October 2015. This is reviewed annually.

The Governing Body Strategic Planner can be found on the school website. This contains:

- Governing Body Structure
- Purpose of meetings
- Code of Conduct for Governors
- Specialist Roles
- Governing Body monitoring and evaluation schedule
- Committee Memberships
- Terms of Reference
- Schedule of Delegation

### Governing body effectiveness and impact

• The strategic direction of the Governing Body has been to ensure the success of the opening of the new school site whilst maintaining and developing positive relationships

#### Find out more about our school ...

- Link to Ofsted report <a href="http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/inspection-reports/find-inspection-report">http://www.ofsted.gov.uk/inspection-reports/find-inspection-report</a>
- Our school's Ofsted data dashboard can be found at <a href="http://dashboard.ofsted.gov.uk/">http://dashboard.ofsted.gov.uk/</a>
- Link to school's website
- Link to Parent View Portal, which seeks parents' opinions on aspects of our school, from the quality of teaching, to dealing with bullying and poor behaviour. <a href="https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/">https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/</a>