HARTLIP ENDOWED C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

Minutes of a meeting of the Full Governing Body held virtually on Thursday 23rd September 2021 at 5.00 p.m.

Present: Joan Jabbour (Co-Chair), Liz Hadley (Co-Chair), Tracey Jerome (Headteacher), Dionne-Rose Coles, Ryan Condron, Jane Davies, Noel Lander, Revd. Julian Staniforth, Jackie Warncken (Finance Officer)

Attending: Rose Davies (Clerk)

Meeting started at 17.04, conducted using Zoom. All Governors confirmed that they were in a secure environment and that all recording and listening devices were switched off. The meeting was chaired by Joan Jabbour.

Oper	ning prayer led by the Chair.		
1	Welcome and apologies for absence		
	The Chair welcomed Governors to the first	t EGR meeting of the new academic	
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	No apologies. All Governors present. The m	neeting was quorate.	
2	Declarations of business interests		
	All Governors confirmed that they had cor	nfirmed their declarations of business	
	interests on GovernorHub.		
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	No changes were declared and no declaration on this agenda.	ions were made against any specific item	
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	ACTION: Revd. Staniforth to send copy of form to the Finance Officer.	2.	JS
Co-Chair to look at Governors4Schools	She looked at that website but had got	1	
for possible candidates for Governor	the impression that there was a charge		
vacancies, including Local Authority	so had not taken this further. Hopefully		
Governor.	a suitable candidate would come from		
	the school community.		
Headteacher to contact the editor of	Completed. The advert had been		
The Forum about putting in an advert	published in the August/September		
for a Local Authority Governor.	edition but had generated no interest.		
Clerk to send FGB attendance chart	Carried forward.		
2020-21 to Headteacher and Co-Chairs.			
	ACTION: Clerk.	3.	RI
Headteacher/Co-Chairs to look at dates	The Chair said that as numbers were		
and a venue for an informal meeting of	too high with Covid this should be done		
Governors.	at a safer time.		
Co-Chairs to email Governors asking for	The 1:1s had been completed in	1	
their availability in August for 1:1s.	September.		
Clerk to send out NGA 2021 skills audit	Completed.	1	
form to Governors	·		
	ACTION: Clerk to send again to Joan	4.	R
	Jabbour.		
	ACTION: Governors to return forms to	5.	Al
	Clerk.		
Clerk to send Governing Body	Completed.	1	
healthcheck to Governors for	·		
information.			
Clerk to add Governing Body	Completed.	1	
healthcheck to September agenda.	,		
Headteacher to chase up the video or	Completed.	1	
the slides from her behaviour	,		
management course.			
Clerk to add School Improvement Plan	Completed.	1	
and Strategic Planner to September	·		
agenda.			
Headteacher to check the school's	Completed but the school did not have	1	
position on the PP additional claim.	any eligible children.		
Headteacher to review H & S processes	Completed. Dates of regular inspections	1	
and set them up for next year.	had been arranged. Plans were also		
F 7 - 7 7	underway to ensure the school diarised		
	the site inspections with the caretaker		
	as this had slipped.		
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	ACTION: Finance Officer to send H & S		
	ACTION: Finance Officer to send H & S diarised H&S inspections out.		
Clerk to check Terms of Reference to	diarised H&S inspections out.		
Clerk to check Terms of Reference to see if the F & R Committee had been			

	delegated responsibility for the Finance policy.	review the policy and recommend it to the Governing Body.			
	Co-Chairs to sign up to GovernorHub.	GovernorHub. The cost was £45+ VAT. Governors AGREED that this was good value for money.			
		ACTION: new co-Chairs to take forwar in liaison with Finance Officer as necessary.	-	DC/ EH	
	Confidential minutes				
	Headteacher to send out the Vision to the parents in September.	Completed.			
4	Election of Chair				
	The Governing Body APPROVED the Standard process for both Chair and Vice Chair, Terms of Reference.	,			
	Co-Chair Joan Jabbour advised that she no	o longer wished to co-chair.			
	The Headteacher thanked Joan Jabbour for	r her service as a Co-Chair.			
	The Clerk conducted the election for Chair	or Co-Chair.			
	There were no nominations for Chair.				
	Liz Hadley and Dionne-Rose Coles were not educational and vocational skills. There we room while the nominations were discussed	ere no other nominations. They left the			
	Liz Hadley and Dionne-Rose Coles were ele for the next 12 months.	ected unanimously to serve as Co-Chairs			
	It was AGREED that Joan Jabbour would ch	air the rest of this meeting.			
	Liz Hadley person thanked Joan Jabbour fo great source of information.	r co-chairing with her and for being a			
5	Election of Vice Chair				
	Deferred until November meeting.				
	ACTION: Clerk to add to November agend	a.	8.	RD	
6	Code of Conduct 2021-22				1
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	The Governing Body APPROVED The Education People's model Code of Conduct	
	2021-22.	9. All
	ACTION: Governors to scan or send signed last page to Finance Officer.	J. 7
7	Instrument of Government/review of membership	
	The Chair reported that there were currently two vacancies, one for a Local Authority Governor and the other for a Foundation Governor. She had twice tried to contact the Foundation Governor Simon Ward who had had to step aside for several months now, and left messages but had had no response. She suggested that it might be too much for him to be a Governor at this time. If he were to resign this would leave another Foundation Governor vacancy.	
	The Chair of Quality of Education said she was seeing Simon Ward tomorrow and would clarify the situation with him and report back to the Co-Chairs.	
	ACTION: Chair of Quality of Education .	10. JD
8	Annual review of Governing Body	
	The Chair summarised that:	
	• 1:1 meetings had been undertaken.	
	The 360 degree review had been dropped for this year.	
	Self evaluation was underway (see item 3).	
	The Co-Chairs and Headteacher would discuss objectives for the	
	governance action plan for 2021-22 and bring these to the next meeting.	
	ACTION: Co-Chairs and Headteacher.	11. EH/ DC
	It was AGREED to continue to operate the Committee operating model as it had proved effective for this Governing Body.	ĮΤJ
	Terms of Reference	
	The Education People's model Terms of Reference for the Committee model was APPROVED.	
	Committee Chairs	
	AGREED as:	
	Admissions: Noel Lander to continue. Quality of Education: Jane Davies to continue. F & R: Ryan Condron but he would not be able to carry out this role for longer than this academic year.	
	Headteacher Performance Management (HTPM) Panel	

	Joan Jabbour. The Pane	vd. Staniforth and the other members were Liz Hadley and el had met with the Headteacher to discuss her performance st academic year. Membership for this academic year was meeting.	
	ACTION: Clerk to add to	o next agenda.	12. RD
	Pay panel		
	The Governing Body ha Headteacher.	d delegated responsibility for pay decisions to the	
	Lead Governor/monitor	ring roles	
	Safeguarding	Jane Davies	
	SEND	Liz Hadley	
	H & S	Dionne-Rose Coles	
	Finance	Ryan Condron (as F & R Chair)	
	Pupil Premium (PP)	Joan Jabbour	
	EYFS	Left open until next meeting.	
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		ACTION: Clerk to add to next agenda.	13. RD
	Wellbeing	Left open until next meeting.	
		ACTION: Clerk to add to next agenda.	14. RD
9	External adviser for HTI		
		ed that this was Jane True, the school's former School	
40	Improvement Adviser.		
10	Governor monitoring		
	The Governing Body AP Committee operating m	PPROVED The Education People's model policy for the nodel.	
	Monitoring schedule		
	The Headteacher had s	ent through a monitoring schedule.	
	<u> </u>	Id in some humanities monitoring such as history and vere to come in, what would the children say if they were of these subjects?	
	History/Geography wou	d that monitoring of Foundation subjects such as uld take place in term 2, as term 1 was focused on core to do CPD, then staff meetings, then training and the w after this.	

	needed to be on core solockdowns. As a Government of the Headteacher said to monitoring. Pupil Voice looked at under engage clear plan of progression of steed would want to solve the Literacy Governor monitoring this.	skills first e.g. Writing roor she was concerned id. This would be picked use would feed into hum ement monitoring. Shon which came throug see. The term 2 monitoring of said that she would I are able to come into so	the school had to do that the focus, that had fallen behind in the ed how the foundation subjects had a p cross curricularly in Writing sanities and these subjects were also e was confident that she could show a h in the school plan and this was what of the foundation subjects. The foundation subjects in term 3?	15. TJ
11	part 2.	ed that they had read	Keeping Children Safe In Education	46.011
12	ACTION: remaining Go Safeguarding	vernors to confirm or	n GovernorHub.	16. All
12		at which included Kee	ved the Child Protection policy (item pping Children Safe In Education and	

	ACTION: Safeguarding Lead Governor to check evidence on her next visit.	18. JD
13	School Improvement Plan (circulated in advance)	
	The Headteacher drew Governors' attention to the additions made since the HTPM discussion with external adviser Jane True, e.g. on strategic aspects of subject leadership, on progression documents being in place, 'Happy Hartlip' days, tracking of foundation subjects and updating curriculum maps.	
	Q: were Governors now allowed to come into school to monitor collective worship?	
	A: yes, but parents were not yet allowed.	
	ACTION: Governors to liaise with Headteacher about dates to come into school to monitor collective worship.	19. All
	The Governing Body AGREED the School Improvement Plan as amended after discussion with the external adviser.	
14	Headteacher's report (circulated in advance)	
	The Headteacher sought questions on her report.	
	Q: in Year 4 performance data appeared to be very low on Greater Depth. Was this correct and if so, what were the reasons behind it?	
	A: the Headteacher explained that numbers and figures were very low because children's starting points had not been at not age expected and they would have to make accelerated progress to reach Age Related Expectations and of course Greater Depth was beyond this. At the end of last year 100% of children in school had made progress so this demonstrated that a difference could be made over time and accelerated progress was hoped for.	
	Q: what did 'combined' mean?	
	A: reaching age expected in each of the 3 core subjects, i.e. Reading, Writing and Maths.	
	The Headteacher updated Governors that today had seen the first Covid positive child. This was on a Lateral Flow test; the next step was a PCR test and she expected this to be positive. She would have to go to contingency plans but hoped it was an isolated case. She had not intended to go live to the school community on the basis of a Lateral Flow test only but had changed her mind because the child was asymptomatic. She would keep the Governing Body informed.	
	Q: as this was an asymptomatic, had it been picked up by pure luck?	

	ACTION: Safeguarding Lead Governor.	20. JD
	The Safeguarding Lead Governor said she had a list of minor typos which she would send to the HT.	
	A: abusing people for their faith or practices within their faith.	
	Q: what was 'faith abuse'?	
	Child Protection	
16	<u>Policies</u>	
	The F & R Committee would look at the 6-month report on 15 th October.	
	18.37: Noel Lander left the meeting.	
	change later in the year with additional recruitment, as a new child with an Education and Health Care Plan had come in. Other Staff (E07) was showing an overspend as an extra staff member had been added to Breakfast Club and After School Club to assist at busy times.	
	Education support staff (E03) was showing a underspend at present but this would	
	A: not yet.	
	Q: had the school decided how to spend this?	
	both risen, so the outturn was predicted at about £22K though this service was not intended to make a profit. This might however change if parents went back to work. The variance in Donations and/or voluntary funds (I13) was largely related to the closing of current PTA bank account as there was a new Committee. The balance of £4700 had come in as a donation from the PTA.	
	A: the forecast for Other Income from facilities and services (IO8B) had been based on conservative numbers for Breakfast Club and After School Club but these had	
	Q: why were there significant variances on I08B, I13, E03, E07 and E13?	
	The Finance Officer reported that the predicted revenue rollover was now £61509, within the Balance Control Mechanism (£77173).	
	End of August budget monitoring report	
15	Budget	
	18.31: Revd. Staniforth left the meeting.	
	A: no, the father had tested positive. The family had done exactly as it should, conducting Lateral Flow tests every day and the first ones had not picked up the infection in the child.	

	AGREED subject to the typos being corrected.	
	SEND policy and report	
	AGREED.	
	Pay	
	Not released yet.	
	The Headteacher said she would send the other policies out gradually before the next meeting so that Governors would not be overwhelmed.	
	ACTION: Headteacher.	21. TJ
	A Governor said that this was very welcome as a theme that had arisen in the 1:1s had been the huge amount of paperwork that GVs had to absorb for meetings.	
17	The Education People monthly newsletters	
	July and September editions NOTED.	
	The Chair reminded all Governors to look at these regularly.	
	ACTION: Clerk to include links in each agenda to newsletters published since the	22. RD
	previous meeting.	
18	Governor training	
	Deferred until skills audit completed.	
	ACTION: Clerk to add to next agenda.	23. RD
19	Co-Chairs' actions/correspondence	
	The Headteacher advised that the architect for the project had joined another company and so the Co-Chairs had had to agree to the project going with him to make sure the timetable was met to spend the grant by end of March.	
	Decision RATIFIED.	
	The Headteacher had now sent this proposal to the Diocesan Directors for their permission.	
	Liz Hadley reported that she had received the Governor annual survey from The Education People, which she completed on behalf of the Governing Body.	
21	Any Other Urgent Business	
	Part of this item is recorded in the confidential part of these minutes.	
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	KLZ issues	
	Several Governors reported that they were still unable to open or were having difficulties in accessing KLZ.	
	The Headteacher said she had the same issue in school. The school was seeking support from Cantium.	
	The Finance Officer said that once the school had signed up to GovernorHub, emails would come through Office 365 and all the documents could be uploaded onto it rather than sent out through emails.	
	Pen pictures not on website	
	A Governor said he had checked the website for these but had also noticed that FGB minutes had not been posted since 2018.	
	ACTION: Headteacher in future to upload minutes once they had been approved by the Governing Body.	24. TJ
	Follow up on 1:1 discussions	
	The former Co-Chairs reported that these had been very useful and thanked Governors for taking part. Overall feedback had been very positive. Some of the suggestions for improvement were that any changes in documents be highlighted for easy reading; and that the Governors received the data summary sheet along with data in one format only for a high-level strategic view. The Governors would still have the full data for disadvantaged groups. The new FGB meeting start time of 5 p.m. suited everyone.	
	The Headteacher suggested that the above recommendations be discussed with the co – chairs and then included in the Governors Action Plan.	
22	Confidentiality	
	Items deemed confidential are recorded in a separate part of these minutes.	
23	Date of next meeting	
0.4	18 th November at 5.00 p.m., hopefully at the school.	
24	Impact of meeting	
	The Chair said that the meeting had set in place sound governance for this	
	academic year and approved the School Improvement Plan.	
	Meeting ended at 19.05.	

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	ACTIONS SUMMARY	
Who	What	By when

1	Headteacher	To contact parents in term 1 in case there were any parents who might fit the Local Authority Governor profile.	
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3	Clerk	To send FGB attendance chart 2020-21 to Headteacher and Co-Chairs.	30 th September
4	Clerk	To send NGA skills audit form 2021 again to Joan Jabbour.	30 th September
5	Governors	To return their forms to the Clerk.	13 th October
6	Finance Officer	To send H & S report to new Co-Chairs	18 th November
7	Co-Chairs	To take forward joining GovernorHub in liaison with Finance Officer as necessary.	11 th November
8	Clerk	To add Election of Vice Chair to November agenda.	4 th November
9	Governors	To scan or send signed last page of Code of Conduct 2021-22 to Finance Officer.	4 th November
10	Chair of Quality of Education	To clarify the situation with Simon Ward and report back to the Co-Chairs.	30 th September
11	Co-Chairs/ Headteacher	To discuss objectives for the governance action plan for 2021-22 and bring these to the next meeting.	11 th November
12	Clerk	To add membership of Headteacher Performance Management Panel to next agenda.	4 th November
13	Clerk	To add EYFS lead responsibility to next agenda.	4 th November
14	Clerk	To add Wellbeing lead responsibility to next agenda.	4 th November
15	Headteacher	To revise term 2 monitoring of the foundation subjects.	15 th October
16	Governors	To confirm on GovernorHub that they had read Keeping Children Safe In Education part 2.	15 th October
17	Headteacher	To arrange for staff to read and sign to confirm they had read Keeping Children Safe In Education part 1.	5 th October
18	Safeguarding Lead Governor	To check evidence of this on her next visit.	22 nd October
19	Governors	To liaise with Headteacher about dates to come into school to monitor collective worship.	Ongoing
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24	Headteacher	To upload FGB minutes once they had been approved by the Governing Body.	Ongoing

Signed:	(Chair)
Dated:	