

GOVERNING BOARD OF DAWLISH COLLEGE

Scheme of Delegation

The core functions of the Governing Board

- • Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
- • Holding the Headteacher to account for the educational performance of the organisation and its pupils, and the performance management of staff
- • Overseeing the financial performance of the organisation and making sure its money is well spent

As at 1st September 2018, the Governing Board comprised ten governors

Name	Category of Governor	Term of office expires
Graham Carey	Local Authority Governor	2 nd February 2020
Lorraine Chambers	Staff Governor	13 th September 2020
Simon Copper	Parent Governor	13 th September 2020
Jon Harries	Community Governor	6 th January 2019
Sian Hawkins	Community Governor	31 st August 2022
Billie Jo Tucker	Parent Governor	31 st August 2022
David Violet <i>Chair of Governors</i>	Parent Governor	13 th September 2020
Jamie Whaling	Foundation Governor	19 th July 2020
Kath Whaling <i>Vice Chair of Governors</i>	Foundation Governor	30 th August 2020
Rachel Wickham	Head of College	N/A
Nancy Drake	Clerk to Governors	N/A

In December 2017 the Governors made the decision to trial not having Committee meetings each half term for the following areas:

- Resources (incorporating premises, finance, personnel)
- Student Outcomes (student data)
- Stakeholders (students and the community)

They replaced that arrangement with the proposal that the full Governing Body meet monthly and that it be trialed until August 2018 when it would be reviewed in preparation for the new academic year for September.

On review it was found that this structure of more frequent meetings was far more successful in keeping issues under up to date review, and also removed the situation where the same issue could be discussed in more than one setting. Specific reporting points within the year, such as financial reports, are easier to set up with the main Governing Board meeting on a regular basis

Governors are encouraged to make visits to subject areas, initially where they have specific interest and feedback from these visits is shared with the governors at a following Board meeting.

Governors are encouraged to come into college to be involved in various activities, whether it be performances by the students themselves, or to be part of meetings such as the Parents' Forum where more informal links between parents and governors can be made. Reports from the Parents' Forum meetings are provided to all GB members.

The Board does not have Associate members.

The Governing Board has Lead Governors who have a specific focus in the following areas:

Safeguarding and Child Protection	Kath Whaling
Deputy Safeguarding and Child Protection	David Violet
Whistleblowing	Kath Whaling
Attendance	Sian Hawkins
Special Educational Needs	Kath Whaling
Finance	Graham Carey
Health and Safety	Jamie Whaling
Careers	Simon Copper
Gifted and Talented	Graham Carey
Children in Care	Sian Hawkins
Pupil Premium	Billie-Jo Tucker

In January 2018 Dawlish College entered into a Formal Management Partnership with Newton Abbot College, focussing on school improvement for both schools and sharing one Executive Headteacher (Paul Cornish) who has the responsibility for the strategic leadership of both schools. Dawlish College has Mrs Rachel Wickham as Head of College. Both schools remain completely separate and retain their own individual governing bodies. The partnership is formalised through a contract which lays out the terms and remit of that partnership. A joint committee of governors of both schools oversees the arrangement and regularly assesses and reports on the workings of the Management Partnership arrangement. A Management Partnership is not the same as a Federation. A federation has one governing body and is set up following a formal consultation process with key interested partners.

Detailed discussions are at an advanced stage regarding the formation of a multi academy trust with Newton Abbot College and three primary schools with a proposed launch date of September 2019. David Violet is the Governing Board's representative in this group.

Contact with any of the Governing Board can be made through the Clerk to Governors, Mrs N Drake, either by telephoning the college or emailing on governor@dawlish.devon.sch.uk.

This Scheme of Delegation is reviewed annually in September.

