

The Structure of Governance within the Stalyhill Schools' Federation

Within the Stalyhill Schools' Federation, our Governing Body comprises of 9 Governors.

Our Governors are asked to sit on one additional committee that runs in conjunction with the full Governing Body:

Finance, Personnel, Premises and Safety committee

The role of the committee is as follows;

Finance Personnel, Premises and Safety committee

The Governing Body has a strategic role in the financial management of the schools within the federation and its key responsibilities include:

- setting financial priorities through the: - federation improvement plan - 3 year financial plans - the annual budgets
- deciding on how the schools' delegated budgets should be spent, in accordance with the federation improvement plan and the statutory curriculum requirements as laid down by Government
- approving and monitoring the annual budgets
- ensuring the budgets are managed effectively
- ensuring the schools meet all their statutory obligations, and through the Headteacher, comply with the LA's Financial Regulations
- evaluating the effectiveness of spending decisions
- overseeing staff appointments
- ensuring that the premises are well maintained and fit for purpose
- ensuring that the schools comply with all Health and Safety regulations

Curriculum and Standards committee

Much of the curriculum taught in all primary schools is dictated by the National Curriculum; however, it is up to individual schools to decide how to deliver the curriculum. The Curriculum & Standards committee needs to ensure that the schools' curriculums are broad and balanced, and relevant to the needs of our children. They must also ensure that the National Curriculum and Religious Education are delivered in accordance with the legal framework.

As well as supporting the schools in their implementation of the curriculum, pupil progress and statutory testing results are analysed to help identify focus areas. The Curriculum & Standards committee review the data provided and help to identify, monitor, and review improvement and development targets. The committee also

make sure special arrangements are in place for pupils with additional needs and those in receipt of Pupil Premium funding.

Other responsibilities include ensuring that there is a rolling programme of monitoring staff performance and that policies relating to the curriculum are monitored and reviewed in line with an agreed timetable.

The Curriculum Committee must also make certain parents are kept informed about key developments relating to the curriculum and provided with the necessary information on their children's progress in line with legal requirements.

Within the Stalyhill Schools' Federation, we have taken the decision to incorporate the Curriculum & Standards committee meetings into our Full Governing Body meetings to avoid repetition of information. Therefore;

- The FGB/C&S committee meet once per term
- The Finance committee meet once per term.

Alongside their committee roles, our Governors also take responsibility for overseeing a range of subject and pastoral areas across the school. These are outlined in documents that can be found on the website.