



# Full Governing Body Extra Meeting Minutes The Federation of Church Schools of Shalfleet and Yarmouth

**Date and time** Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> March 2022, 6.03pm-7.30pm

Venue Yarmouth

Governors Mrs Carla Bradshaw (Foundation Governor)

Mr Allan Bridges (Parent Governor)

Mrs Debs Downer (Co-opted Governor) (arrived 6.11pm)

Mrs Lizzie Grainger (Headteacher) Mr Neil Gartell (Co-opted Governor) Mrs Tina Griffith (Co-opted Governor) Mr Stephen Holland (LA Governor)

Mrs Laura Homes (Foundation Governor)

Mrs Sylvia Smith (Staff Governor)

Mrs Caroline Weeks (Foundation Governor) (arrived 6.08pm)

Mrs Sarah Woodburn (Co-opted Governor)

**Quorum** The meeting is quorate, attended by 11 Governors.

A quorum is 6 Governors.

Attendees Mrs Sheila Caws (Clerk)

Vacancies Foundation Governor

**Key** PAN – Published Admission Number

<u>Challenge</u> Action, Decision, Support, Ring-fenced, FDP link

Distribution: All

Confidential Minutes to Governors attending meeting.

The meeting commenced at 6.03pm with an opening prayer from TG.

#### 1.55 Apologies

 Apologies were received from Ms Paula Newton and the Rev Leisa Potter which were accepted.

# 1.56 Declarations of interest on items forming the agenda

None

# 1.57 To discuss Yarmouth admissions

- The CoG briefly explained the background and differences between Voluntary Aided (VA) schools (Yarmouth) and Voluntary Controlled (VC) schools (Shalfleet). Being a VA school, the Governors of Yarmouth are their own Admissions Authority.
- The Chair confirmed that both the Diocese and the Local Authority had been consulted to obtain their views and had also sought the view of LBMW, the legal counsel which had supported the school during the consultation processes.

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- The CoG presented the case and questions relating to the Admissions for Yarmouth for September 2022. These arise from the fact that Policy had been written on the expectation that the School would be in new premises in Freshwater by September 2022 but this move is not expected to happen until later in the academic year. This has led to a unique set of circumstances. A copy of the presentation is attached to these minutes, as is a copy of the 2022-23 Admissions Policy.
- Previously Yarmouth was a half-form-entry school but with the arrival of the children from Freshwater last year it has, in effect been operating as a one-form entry. Both the LA and the Diocese confirmed this.
- The PAN for Yarmouth has been set at 15 but this year there have been considerably more applications with Yarmouth listed as first choice. There was a discussion on the pros and cons and also on the knock-on effects of admitting more children than the PAN.
- It was unanimously agreed to admit the extra children as a case could be made that this was an exceptional year and that the school will not seek to formally increase its PAN.
- The Admissions Policy for 2023 has been set and there is no expectation to seek changes at this point.
- See also the confidential minutes.

### 1.58 To discuss Early Years provision in Freshwater

See the confidential minutes.

# 1.59 Learning and Resource Centre/Governor Services

- Subscriptions to the Learning and Resource Centre and Governor Services will automatically be renewed in April unless cancelled. It was agreed to continue to subscribe to Governor Services.
- Subscription to the Learning and Resource Centre is a matter for the Schools to decide.

#### 1.60 Any other business

• Governors were requested to look at their availability to attend curriculum presentations on DT, Music and French.

## 1.61 Date of next meeting

Full Governors' Meeting – Wednesday, 30th March 2022
 6pm at Yarmouth

The meeting closed at 7.30pm.

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