

PERSONNEL, PERFORMANCE AND STRATEGY COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

1. The Purposes of the PP&S Committee

- ➤ The PP&S Committee shall have oversight, in the main, of: whole-school performance and structure, examples of which are: academic performance, financial performance, pupil performance and staff performance.
- > The PP&S Committee have oversight of the implementation of personnel policy and management.
- > The PP&S Committee shall monitor the Head's progress in working towards her/his targets as set by the Head's Performance Review Committee in conjunction with the LSIP.
- The PP&S Committee shall give advice, and if necessary authorisation, to the Head on issues that require quick decisions and shall report subsequent actions to the next Sub-Committee or Full Governing Board Meeting as appropriate within the overall terms of Reference as approved by the Full Governing Board.
- > The PP&S Committee is envisaged to be the primary contact point between the Governing Board and future OFSTED inspections.
- > The agenda of each PP&S meeting will be reviewed and tailored to meet the current priorities of the school

2. Proposed Terms of Reference

General

- ➤ The name of the Committee shall be the Governor Personnel, Performance and Strategy Committee hereinafter known as the PP&S Committee.
- The PP&S Committee is a Sub-committee of the Governing Board.
- > The PP&S Committee shall comprise of the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Governing Board, with two additional members of the Governing Board and the Head-teacher.
- > Election onto the PP&S Committee will be through a skills audit and a vote
- > The PP&S Committee shall be chaired by the Chair of Governing Board. In his/her absence, meetings shall be chaired by the Vice-chair of the Governing Board.
- The PP&S Committee shall be empowered to make decisions on behalf of the Full Governing Board through the powers delegated by the full Governing Board such cases where a decision is required before a meeting of the full governing board is scheduled and where calling an Extraordinary meeting of the full governing board is impracticable.
- Any decisions taken, including where decisions are taken because of time constraints, shall be within the overall policy framework as set down by the Full Governing Board.
- ➤ Each PP&S Committee member shall have a single vote. In the event of a tied decision the Chair shall have a second and deciding vote.
- The Deputy-Head teacher(s) of the school may attend in an advisory but non-voting capacity.
- Other staff (or others) may be invited to attend meetings on an ad hoc and non-voting basis.
- The PP&S Committee shall meet at least every term and a quorum shall be 3 of the committee members excluding the Head Teacher. Additional meetings may be requested by the Head Teacher or Chair of Governors as deemed necessary.
- > The actions of the PP&S Committee shall be a standing item on the Full Governing Board agenda.
- ➤ The terms of reference of the PP&S Committee shall be reviewed annually.
- To ensure that the statutory responsibilities are being met.

Performance

> To establish and review a Performance Management policy for all staff.

> Strategy

- > To maintain oversight of the strategic objectives of the school including school ethos.
- > To devise strategies to balance the requirements of current and future curriculum delivery and prudent financial management.

Personnel

- > To draft and keep under review the staffing structure in consultation with the Headteacher
- > To oversee the staff budget.
- > To keep under review staff work/life balance, working conditions and well-being, including the monitoring of absence
- > To make recommendations on personnel related expenditure
- To formulate and review staffing and personnel policies¹
- > To draft and keep under review Disciplinary and Grievance Procedures for approval by the Governing Board and to ensure that staff are kept well informed.
- ➤ To agree recruitment and selection procedures and the level of involvement by governors in the appointment of staff².
- > To review Deputy Headteachers' and other teachers' salaries as required by the Pay and Conditions documents.

3 Notes

Items within the remit of other committees

- 1. To establish a Pay Policy for all categories of staff and to be responsible for its administration and review (Pay Committee).
- 2. To consider any appeal against a decision on pay grading or pay awards (Pay Committee Appeals Committee).
- 3. Headteacher's salary shall be determined on the basis of recommendations from the Head's Performance Management Committee approved by the full Governing Board.
- 4. The PP&S Committee regard it as the responsibility of the full Governing Board to oversee the appointment of the Headteacher and Deputy Headteachers³. The full governing board will make arrangements for selection panels to be made available for appointments, as required in such cases.
- 1 Staff Discipline Policy, Staff Grievance Policy, Staff Performance Management Policies
- 2 Staff Selection Policy
- 3 Staff Selection Policy reference made on application forms and appropriate section of school website