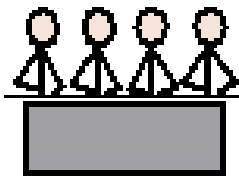




# **GOVERNORS ANNUAL STATEMENT**



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# Annual Governance Statement

**2020-21**

*(at October 2020)*

<p>In accordance with the Government’s requirement for all governing bodies, the 3 core strategic functions of Lampard Community School Governing Body are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;</li><li>2. Holding the Headteacher to account for educational performance of the school and its students;</li><li>3. Overseeing financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.</li></ol>	
<b>Governance arrangements</b>	<p>The Governing Body of Lampard Community School (constituted 2015) comprises 2 staff governors (including the Headteacher), 3 elected Parent Governors, 1 Local Authority Governor, 2 Foundation Governors and 4 Co-opted governors.</p> <p>Co-opted governors are appointed by the Governing Body and in their opinion, have the skills required to contribute to effective governance and success of the school.</p> <p>The full Governing Body meets once a month (more frequently if need dictates). See “Our School – Governors” on our website for more information regarding the background and responsibilities of our governors.</p>
<b>Attendance record of governors</b>	<p>Governors have very good attendance at meetings.</p> <p>More importantly Governors make significant impact through scheduled meetings with linked portfolio leads, challenging and supporting specific performance areas aligned with individual Governor skills as per audit.</p> <p>See ‘Governor Attendance’ document for a summary of Governors attendance at meetings.</p>
<b>The work that we have done on our committees and in the governing body</b>	<p>The Governing Body has had another busy year, focused on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Quality Assurance - continued focus on standards of teaching and learning and outcomes for students.</li><li>• School capacity (growth in student numbers, complexity of need, efficient use of TA’s and pressures on physical space).</li><li>• Safeguarding and welfare of students and staff given the ever increasing complexity of need in our student population.</li></ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Financial challenges to meet student needs whilst readjusting budget to match cuts in LA funding.</li> <li>• Implementing Ofsted Inspection recommendations (July 2017) to uplift our 'Good' with 'Outstanding' features to a higher level.</li> <li>• Recruitment and training of new Governors against Governing Skills audit and an external Clerk to Governors for the first time in a decade.</li> </ul>
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<p><b>Future plans for the governors</b></p>	<p>Our 4 key priorities for the forthcoming year are to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Maintain a dynamic, flexible budget [within the agreed deficit] providing appropriate resources which meet the complex needs of our students.</li> <li>2. Ensure student intakes comply with our dynamic Health and Safety risk assessment, constrained by the existing estate, whilst catering for complex educational and physical needs of students.</li> <li>3. Create an aspirational, visionary, costed curriculum to maximise efficient use of budget, staff resource, physical assets and accommodation, producing students at their personal capacity in 'personal independence' and 'communication'.</li> <li>4. Support our Headteacher with their innovative and inspirational development of the school, moving Lampard even closer to an all-round assessment of 'Outstanding' at next Ofsted .</li> </ol>
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<p><b>How you can contact the governing body</b></p>	<p>We always welcome suggestions, feedback and ideas from parents: –</p> <p>Please contact our Chair of Governors, Christine Bevan, via Clerk to Governors at the school:</p> <p>Tel: 01271 345416 or Email: <a href="mailto:admin@lampard.devon.sch.uk">admin@lampard.devon.sch.uk</a></p>
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