

<b>FOCUS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction</u></li> <li>• <u>Holding the headteacher to account for educational performance of the school and its students</u></li> <li>• <u>Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent</u></li> </ul>
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## MEETING 80 – PART 1 - MINUTES of Meeting 19<sup>th</sup> March 2020 – Headteacher’s Office

ATTENDEES	INITIALS		arrived	ATTENDEES	INITIALS		arrived
Sam Barham	SJB	Staff/HT	16:00	Kevin Harris	KH	Chair	16:00
Christine Bevan	CB	Co-opted	16:00 (conference call)	Maria Dyer	MD	Clerk	16:00
Eleanor Hanson	EH	Staff	16:00	Claire Cowen-Brown	CCB	Co-opted	16:00
Andy Palmer	AP	Parent	16:00	Alison Rubenchik	AR	SBM	16:00

Apologies	Initials	Reason	Key to Minutes	
Peter How - LEA	PH	Sick	<b>Bold</b>	Action
Elaine Penfold – Parent	EP	Sick	<b>Font</b>	Question
Fiona Corbin – Co-opted	FC	Due to meeting time change	<u>Underline</u>	Decision
Bill Robinson – Co-opted	BR	Due to meeting time change		
Andrew Redpath – Foundation	ASR	Due to Covid-19 restrictions		

1	80.196	<b>Apologies</b>	All apologies were received prior to the meeting and are sanctioned	KH
2	80.197	<b>Declaration</b> pecuniary/non pecuniary interest	None	KH
3	80.198	<b>Governor Term</b>	<u>All governors present at the meeting voted PH to continue as our LEA Governor</u>  <b>MD to complete Form H and send to Babcock Governor Service</b>	KH
4	80.199	<b>Budget/Finance /structure</b>	AR presented budget scenarios A-H to the Governing Board.  In 2017, the deficit was predicted to be £514,000. We are now looking at a deficit of approximately £40,000. In 2019 we predicted an in-year deficit of £101,000 so have saved approximately £60,000 across the year. However this might change if we are not able to get a VELP loan.  <i>KH asked where the core offer figures come from and if it was comparable to other schools?</i> AR there are no school which we compare to. AR looked at what it would take to get us into a 'profitable' budget. SJB thanked her predecessor for the work that was put in to the document which demonstrated the cost of educating a student at Lampard and was submitted to the LA. Against this we still have made considerable savings off a desirable core offer to take the school out of a deficit in 5 years and having building work to increase numbers to 180 (scenario H)	AR

			<p><i>EH asked how can you increase a core offer and why don't we get it?</i> AR said that we have to submit to DCC what we need in terms of pupil funding, however various departments have to agree that we can receive this before any increase would happen. SJB said that we receive the second lowest core funding for special schools and independent provisions across the county.</p> <p><i>KH the increased core offer and no strategic build will we be sustainable?</i> AR said it would be sustainable if we receive investment from the LA, but it wouldn't be sustainable in our current environment.</p> <p><i>CB said that scenario H is more favourable but depends on gaining more students and increase in core offer. How confident are we that we will get this?</i> KH is more confident based on the commitment recently from DCC. We have to present Scenario A however the school would prefer Scenario H. AR will work more thoroughly on the scenario that is chosen by governors to provide a more accurate picture of the budget and what we can provide. SLT are working on our school designation so that the LA are clear on what students we can provide education for. KH said it is remarkable in the current climate to have reduced the deficit. SJB added that we also still have a strong school and have been achieving great things which have been externally verified and audited.</p> <p><u>Governors decided to present the LA with Scenario A and Scenario H</u> <u>Governors agreed for AR to submit our budget to the LA</u></p> <p><b>AR to bring breakdown of A and H to next governor meeting</b> <b>AR to submit budget to DCC</b></p>	
5	80.201	<b><u>Emergency Plan</u></b>	Agreed by governors to accept the emergency plan due to current coronavirus as it was previously taken and only needed minor adjustments which have been done	