



# Governor

## Role Description: Governor

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| <b>Mentor:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Chair of Governors / Vice Chair of Governors                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Main Purpose of Role:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | <p><b>Strategic leadership</b> – defining the vision, fostering the trust’s culture and setting the strategy</p> <p><b>Accountability and assurance</b> – robust and effective oversight of trust operations and performance</p> <p><b>Strategic engagement</b> – strategic oversight of relationships with stakeholders, ensuring decision-making is supported by meaningful engagement</p> |
| <b>Main Responsibilities:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <p><b>Strategic leadership:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>determine the mission, values and long-term ambitious vision for FPSS and work with senior leaders to develop a strategy for achieving the vision</li> <li>ensure that stakeholders are involved, consulted and informed as appropriate</li> <li>ensure that FPSS deliver a broad and balanced curriculum such that all pupils are well prepared for the next stage of their education and adult life</li> <li>take ownership of FPSS’s financial sustainability and ensuring effective resource management</li> <li>ensure robust risk management policy and procedures are in place and that risk control measures are appropriate and effective</li> </ol> <p><b>Accountability and assurance:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>monitor the impact and progress towards FPSS’s strategic objectives by evaluating relevant data and feedback provided by senior executive leaders and external reporting on all aspects of trust performance</li> <li>ensure the required policies and procedures are in place and FPSS is operating effectively in line with these policies</li> <li>hold the senior executive leader to account for standards, financial probity and compliance with agreed policies</li> <li>ask challenging questions of the senior executive leader in order to hold them to account</li> <li>ensure that there are policies and procedures in place to deal with complaints effectively</li> </ol> <p><b>Strategic engagement:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>attend meetings, read papers and prepare questions for the senior executive leader in advance</li> <li>establish and maintain professional relationships with senior executive leaders and colleagues on the board of governors</li> <li>get to know FPSS, including visiting occasionally during school hours</li> <li>undertake induction training and develop knowledge and skills on an ongoing basis</li> <li>sit on a committee (Resources; Quality of Education; Pupils and Parents and assist in additional meetings as required</li> <li>oversee strategic relationships with stakeholders, including the involvement of parents, pupils, staff and community.</li> </ol> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| This role description sets out the duties of the Governor role at the time it was drawn up.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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