

## Annual Governance Statement for the Governing Body of Sherburn High School

In accordance with the Government's requirement for all governing bodies, the three core strategic functions of Sherburn High School Governing Body are:

1. Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
2. Holding the Headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils
3. Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent

### **Governance arrangements**

The Governing Body of Sherburn High School was reconstituted in March 2015 and is now made up of:

- 6 parent Governors
- 1 LA Governor
- 1 Staff Governor
- 1 Headteacher
- 3 Co-opted Governors

The governors require skills in finance, buildings and premises, health and safety, child protection, data analysis and strategic planning.

The Governing Body has a programme of meetings throughout the school year, in which all governors are involved, and each governor is linked to a specific area of governance to further develop knowledge. There is also a committee of governors dealing with finance in detail which reports back to the full Governing Body.

Agreed responsibilities are:

**Science:** Carole Middleton

**Maths & ICT:** Louise Fletcher, Bruce Scriven

**English:** Clare Thornton-Eckford, Sue Thirsk

**MFL:** Tracy Perrin, Bruce Scriven

**Humanities:** Mark Saunders, Bob Packham

**Creative arts & PE:** Sandra Cox

**Boys' development:** Carole Middleton, Muhammad Kanaa

**Low prior attainment students:** Bruce Scriven

**Disadvantaged groups:** Tracy Perrin, Carole Middleton

**Sixth Form:** Clare Thornton Eckford, Louise Fle

**Marking & feedback:** Sue Thirsk, Louise Fletcher

**Data monitoring:** Mark Saunders, Tracy Perrin, Sue Thirsk

**SEN & Safeguarding:** Carole Middleton

**Complaints:** Bruce Scriven, Sandra Cox

**KS3:** Carole Middleton

**Academy Group:** Carole Middleton, Sandra Cox, Mark Saunders, Bruce Scriven

### **Attendance record of governors**

A record is kept by the clerk to the Governing Body of attendance at meetings. Details of attendance can be found at page 2.

Meetings need to be quorate to ensure that decisions can be made.

### **The work we have done in our governing body meetings during the last year**

- Continued to support the head teacher
- Spotlight visits on the Science, MFL departments and 6th form
- Governors worked with SLT on link areas including boys, lower prior attainment, disadvantaged groups, 6th form, marking and feedback, data analysis and SEN & safeguarding
- Performance Management of the Head Teacher
- Linked governors to subject areas
- Attending training events and Senior Leadership Team conferences
- Constant monitoring and evaluation of performance data and tracking
- Financial management
- Worked with STAR alliance, Collaboration for Learning groups
- Continue to explore possibilities of MATs
- Policy review

All approved minutes of the Governing Body are available to view on the school website.

### **Strategic Planning for the future**

The Governing Body has identified 4 key priorities as follows:

1. Getting to the school to “Good” then “Outstanding”
2. Ensuring financial stability
3. Maintaining a viable 6th form
4. Developing collaboration

### **How to contact your Governing Body**

Information about the school’s Governing Body is available on the governors’ page of the school’s website.

### **The Sherburn High School Governing Body – membership**

<b>Governor</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Term of office expiry date</b>
Maria Williams	Headteacher	
Vacancy	Staff Governor	
Robert Packham	Local Authority	31/05/17
Carole Middleton	Co-opted	24/03/19

Tracy Perrin	Co-opted	24/03/19
Sandra Cox	Co-opted	24/03/19
Clare Thornton-Eckford	Parent	06/10/19
Mark Saunders	Parent	16/04/17
Sue Thirsk	Parent	06/10/19
Louise Fletcher	Parent	24/03/19
Bruce Scriven	Parent	24/03/19
Muhammad Kanaa	Parent	24/01/21
Steve Law	Parent	Stepped down 31/10/16

### **The Sherburn High School Governors' Attendance record**

All Governor meetings are quorate. Governor attendance has been at a very good level; any absences have been fully explained, approved and accepted by the governing body. There are no causes for concern.