



## **Governors of St Mark's C.E. Primary School**

Talbot Village, Bournemouth, Dorset, BH10 4JA

Headteacher: Andrew Bright

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### **AGM**

### **Minutes**

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2025 at 6.00pm.

Using MS Teams

#### Present

Lisa McGaw – Chair of Governors

Simon Casey

Rachel Davies

Mike Evans

Andrew Bright – Headteacher

Sir Christopher Lees – Member

Anita Hazell – Member

Teresa Grist – Clerk

2 parents in attendance

Number	Agenda Item	Led By
1	Welcome and opening prayer The chair welcomed to everyone to the meeting and introduced everyone. The headteacher led everyone in an opening prayer.	LM
2	Apologies for Absence Apologies were received from Nick Wells and Peter Whittle	LM
3	Declarations of Interests None	LM
4	Minutes of the last meeting The minutes of the previous meeting were circulated prior to the meeting. The minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.	LM



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5	<p>Matters Arising from the last meeting There were no matters arising from the previous meeting.</p>	LM
6	<p>Appointments and Resignations Full details were included in the report that was circulated prior to the meeting. There were no questions. The members agreed to accept the resignation of Sharon Matthews as a member. Those present also discussed the need to recruit 3 new members ideally.</p>	LM
7	<p>Statutory Accounts including Trustees and Governance Report The accounts were scrutinised by the governing board in December and published online. There were no questions. The governance report was shared prior to the meeting and LM gave a verbal summary of the report. The board have continued to support and challenge the SLT alongside the school development journey. Committees take place virtually with full board meetings taking place in school. There have been lots of school visits by governors. The board is following the 3 functions of a board as recommended by the DfE. The FGB meet at least 3 times a year. The board has remained stable although one foundation governor has stepped down. The staff governor has also stepped down after 18 years. This is under review and there is no staff governor at present. LM was elected as chair in July along with Nick Wells as VC. SC has taken on a foundation governor role and RD is the new parent governor. While recruitment is taking place, the board has made a decision to meet as a whole board termly for this year in order to make a good impact. This will be reviewed at the end of the year. AB gave a verbal summary of his report. The school vision and values drive and underpins everything that is done throughout the school. A concern is the inability to swim due to the fire damage in the pool. A final report on the pool is due soon before repairs can be finalised. The school had a thorough full graded Ofsted inspection. The school was graded as good in all categories. Funding is an going</p>	LM



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	<p>concern particularly for SEND children. AB has joined the advisory board. AB thanked The Talbot Village Trust for their support.</p> <p>Sir Christopher confirmed that new trustees are being appointed at the TVT and may be able to assist the school in the future.</p>	
8	<p>Appointment of Auditors</p> <p>LM proposed continuing to use Griffin for the coming year. This was agreed but the members.</p>	LM
9	<p>Committee Reports</p> <p>The committee reports were shared as part of the report. There were no questions.</p>	LM
10	<p>AOB</p> <p>None</p>	LM
11	<p>Meeting close – 6.40pm</p> <p>15 Jan 2026 at 6pm.</p>	LM