

Effective governors bring a range of knowledge, skills and experience to the role. They are sensitive, tenacious, curious, ambitious, questioning, collaborative, enthusiastic and innovative.

The Governing Body has overall responsibility for the effective management of the school. The Headteacher is responsible for the day-to-day organisation and management of the school and is accountable to the Governing Body for the actions and decisions she takes. The Governing Body sets the strategic objectives for the development of the school and the Headteacher is responsible for delivering to them. In addition to setting strategic objectives, the Governing Body is also responsible for determining the vision, values and ethos of the school.

The Governing Body is also responsible for setting the school budget and ensuring that the school spends its money efficiently.

Members of the Governing Body are also involved in the appointment of staff, monitoring the delivery of the school curriculum and maintaining and developing the school premises, so they are fit for today as well as the future.

Our **Chair of Governors** is **Paul Egan Carter**

The **Vice Chair of Governors** is **Giles Monks**

As a Voluntary Aided school the Governing Body at Marsworth is made up of:

1 Parent Governor

Parent governors are selected by election, or by appointment if insufficient people stand for election, and are appointed based on skills and experience required, from parents and carers of children at the school.

1 Local Authority Governor

Local Authority (LA) Governors are appointed by the Local Authority. The Local Authority (Buckinghamshire County Council) can appoint any eligible person as an LA governor. School staff are not eligible to stand as an LA Governor.

1 Staff Governor

In addition to the Headteacher (who is a Governor by virtue of her position, *ex officio*), a member of staff is elected to the Governing Body by the teaching and support staff working at the school.

2 Associate Governors

Associate Members are appointed by the Governing Body to attend committee meetings and/or full governing body meetings due to their particular skills or experience.

4 Foundation PCC Governors

Foundation and PCC Governors setting are involved in the strategic direction, policies and objectives, approving the budget, reviewing progress against the budget and objectives, challenging and supporting senior staff, playing a part in appointing staff and ensuring that the school's ethos, aims and vision are successfully implemented.

1 Diocesan Governor

Governors setting are involved in the strategic direction, policies and objectives, approving the budget, reviewing progress against the budget and objectives, challenging and supporting senior staff, playing a part in appointing staff and ensuring that the school's ethos, aims and vision are successfully implemented.

1 Ex-Officio

The role of an ex-officio Governor is to ensure that the Anglican nature of the school's Foundation is represented on its governing body and that the channel between PCC and school is kept open. Membership of the Anglican Church is, therefore, highly desirable but not always essential

The Full Governing Body meets three times a year. Further work is carried out through the working groups and committees.

(If you are interested in joining the Governing Body or if you have particular skills you could offer as a Governor, please contact the Chair of Governors via the school office.