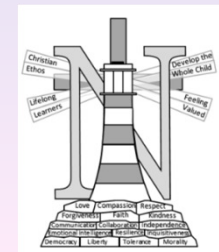


Academy Meeting

May 2018

Outline of the Session

- Why we propose converting to an academy
- The options we have considered
- What is a multi academy trust?
- DEALT?
- Questions/Comments



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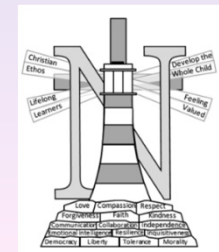
First and foremost: more opportunities to improve your child's education

More opportunities for staff development

More opportunities to make best use of the whole school budget

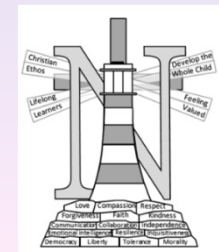
Continuation of our federation school improvement

Political background



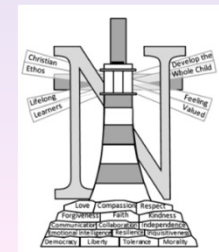
The options we have considered

- Stay as we are
- Convert to a standalone academy
- Seek a sponsor
- Join an existing MAT
- Form a MAT with other local schools



What is a multi academy trust?

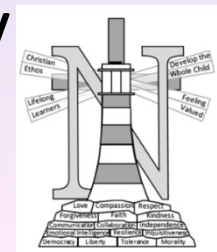
- A Trust manages a number of schools, each of which is an academy, through a Trust Board of Directors (or Trustees)
- The schools support each other and work together to raise educational standards across all the schools
- The Trust works directly with the DfE to fund the schools
- The Trust Board contains academy and member nominated trustees, recruited on a skills basis to lead and govern the MAT
- High level strategy, budget and policies are set by the Trust Board, supported by recommendations for school level improvements
- Each school retains its identity and ethos



DEALT proposal?

Deal Education Alliance Learning Trust

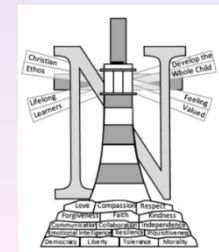
- Establish a multi academy trust which will be responsible for all 7 schools
- A company limited by guarantee and charity
- A board of trustees overseeing the Trust supported by a CEO
- Each school retains its own local governing body and its own ethos and character
- Parent governor on each local governing body



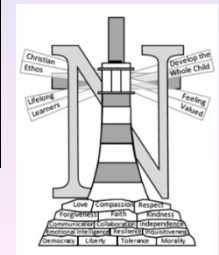
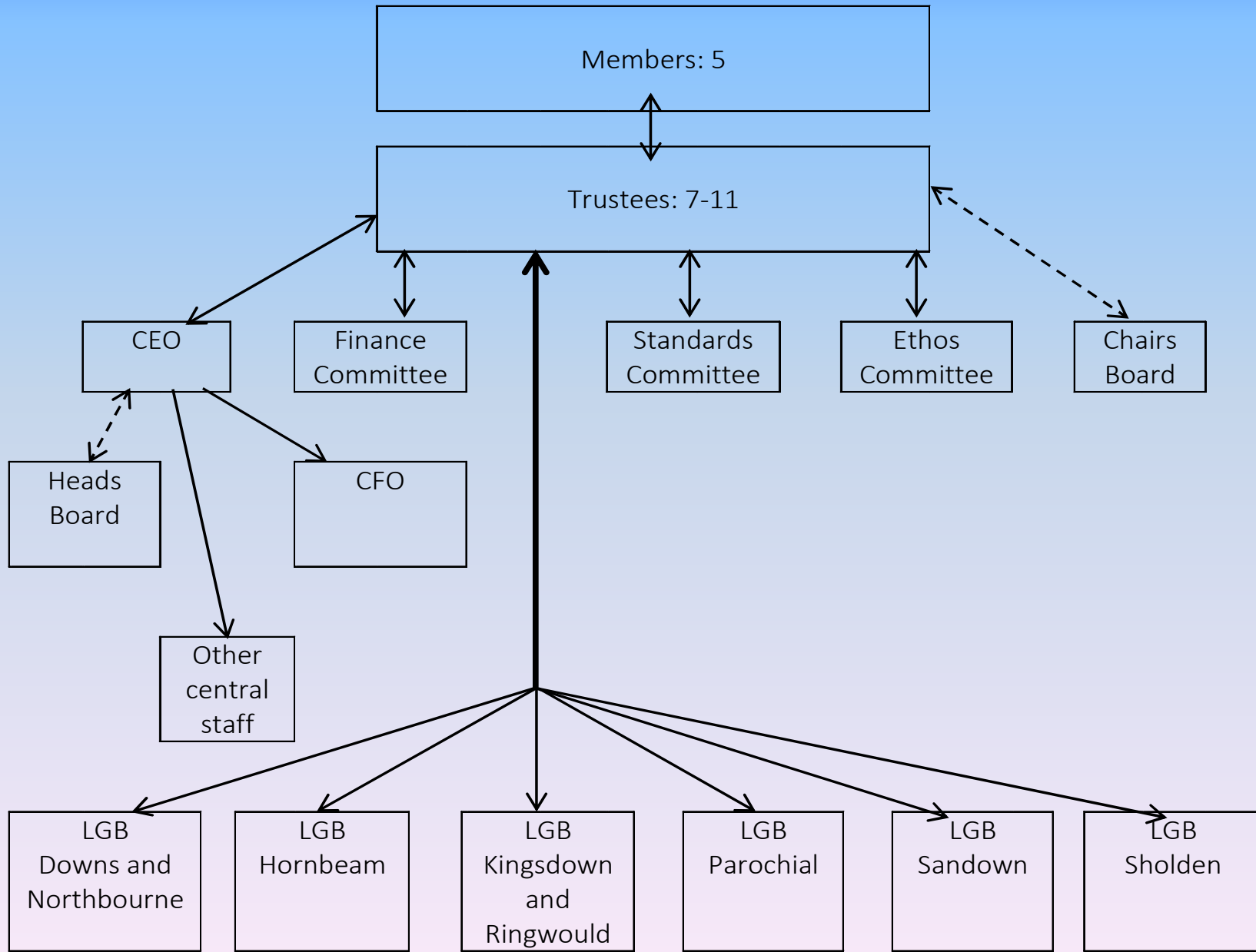
DEALT proposal

We believe that the geographical closeness of all the schools and a shared vision of “ By working together we realise the potential for all children and families in Deal” will be key to the future success of DEALT.

The Trust will strive for excellence in all areas, but will pay particular attention to pupil attainment and progress; the safety and wellbeing of pupils; outstanding teaching and high quality leadership and mangement

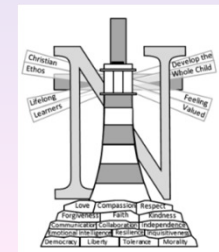


Deal Education Alliance for Learning Trust (DEALT)



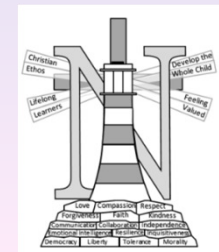
What does not change?

- Character and ethos
- Head teacher and staff
- Governors
- Name of school, admissions, uniform, term dates
- Choice of schools
- Day to day experience of school for your child
- Free education



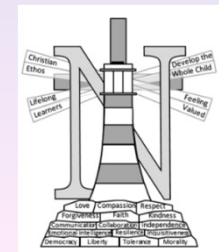
What does the current proposal mean for our schools?

- We join with other local primary schools as academies in a multi-academy trust
- We work as a team of schools for our mutual benefit, not as competitors
- We use each other's skills and experience and learn from each other
- Pooled resources give us the opportunity to provide more educational support than now



Questions/Comments

- Comments received so far and response
- Questions at meeting



Next steps

- End of consultation – May 25th 2018
- Governors to meet and review all comments received
- Await academy orders from DFE
- Governors make a decision (probably in term 6)
- Parents informed of decision soon after

