

## **INFORMATION ABOUT OUR LOCAL GOVERNING BODY – JUNE 2019**

The governing body voted to join the new Multi-Academy Trust, DEALT, along with five other Deal schools, in February 2019. DEALT was formed on April 1<sup>st</sup> 2019. On joining DEALT, the Full Governing Body became a Local Governing Body

Every meeting agenda includes an item to declare business interests against the current agenda. One governor, Reverend Seth Cooper, is also a governor at Dover Grammar School for Girls, and a Director of the Diocese Canterbury Academies Ltd. No other governors have declared a business interest.

We follow the circle model of governance and hold six meetings per year. Meeting agendas cover Safeguarding, Attendance, Finance, School Improvement, Statutory Policy updates, Governor monitoring, Governor training, Chair's correspondence, and any additional items.

All our governors make visits to the school regularly. Some of these visits are for monitoring purposes, and some for gathering information which is used to inform future practises and policies.

Our governors receive training from KCC, bespoke training with governors from other local schools or in house training.

All governors are required from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016 to have a current DBS.

The Clerk to the School Governors is a The Education People's Clerking Service Clerk, Mrs Kim Metcalfe, who can be contacted via the school office.