

**Minutes of Water Street Governors Meeting
Thursday 8th July 2021 - ZOOM**

Present:	Jo Tamsons Stuart Anslow Amanda Stodart-Hall Jay Cundell-Walker Rebecca Vaughan Jenny Macnab (non-voting) Susan Overson – clerk	Nick Swain Jules Swain Sarah Oliver Hama Shanmugan Sarah Bruno
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PART 'A' - PROCEDURAL		
1	Welcome and Introduction Welcome given by JT.	
2	Apologies for absence No apologies were received.	
3	Notification of urgent other business None	
4	Declaration of interest in agenda items None declared	
• 5	To approve as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on 20th May 2021 These had been circulated prior to the meeting. <i>Accepted as a true and accurate record</i>	

6	<p>Matters arising from the minutes for which there is not a separate agenda item</p> <p>None</p>	
<p align="center">PART 'B' – SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT</p>		
7	<p>Headteacher Report</p> <p>This was uploaded onto Sharepoint prior the meeting. Further discussion took place on the following items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Numbers in classes • Status of the EHCP in progress applications – are the pupils involved getting the support they need currently – yes they are but currently wholly at the expense of the school's usual funding • Attendance Data – comments on how strong the attendance data is given the circumstances. • Covid Related Absences <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Closure of 2 bubbles on Wednesday 9th July 2021. These classes have switched to remote learning. Head gave details and discussion took place on how effective this was being. Parents in both bubbles have been very supportive. It was also acknowledged how well the school had done to not have to close any class bubbles until now. • School Self Evaluation – we had a half day visits from out SIP in April 2021.. <i>Governors questioned the outcomes of that visit?</i> – Response we will likely be visited by Ofsted in the first term of 2021/22 • The school pays for a termly one day visit from an Independent School Improvement Advisor. <i>Governors questioned what her thoughts were on our self assessment.</i> Response – she was impressed by the HT's approach to encouraging a walk around school during each visit to see what is being discussed can be also seen in action and believes our self assessment is a true reflection of the school's position. 	

	<p>We have agreed she will come and present to Governors next term on what to expect from an Ofsted visit.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Premises Work for Summer 2021 – discussion took place on front entrance alterations and how it will improve security • Staffing – parents will be informed w/b 12 July 2021 of staffing for September 2021 GTA interviews to take place w/b 12 July 2021 for new pupils. No funding is yet available for these posts • School Improvement Plan Priorities 2021/22 – • <i>Governor's stated that link governors would need to be appointed to each area of the SIP and would put this into place at the 2021/22 AGM</i> • Safeguarding – all logged onto the CPOMs system. All staff will have face to face Child Protection Training in September 2021 All governors to read KCSIE when it is available • Pupil Premium Review – 9 FSM and 3 Post • Looked After Pupils. <i>Discussion took place on what this funding is used for.</i> <i>Governors raised questions on objectives and how these are decided.</i> <i>Further discussion also took place on Covid19 Catchup</i> • Sports Premium – Budget evaluation has been uploaded onto Sharepoint for Governors to monitor <i>Governors stated that it looked to be well spent</i> <p>No further questions were raised</p>	
8	<p>SIP Rag Rating</p> <p>This has been uploaded onto Sharepoint</p>	
9	<p>Governor Training</p> <p>3 Governors attended the Governors School Improvement Network (JT/NS/SB)</p> <p>Feedback of the main areas that were discussed at the meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Baseline Assessment • Pupil Premium Spending Decisions 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ofsted Update • Governance Subscription <p>Safeguarding Training – JS and SB have attended online training.</p> <p>SB gave verbal feedback.</p> <p>JS had felt re-assured that school/governors already do most of what was talked about.</p> <p>Governor training on SSE – advisable for all governors</p> <p>Safer Recruitment – this was discussed. 4 members of governor/staff have completed this training.</p>	Powerpoint to be uploaded onto Sharepoint
	<p>JM left the meeting at 7.15pm</p> <p>SOI left the meeting at 7.30pm</p>	
10	<p>KS2 Link Governor Report</p> <p>Moved to Autumn Term</p>	
11	<p>KS1 Link Governor Report</p> <p>SOI had met with CR (FS teacher and KS1 lead). Verbal feedback given. Written report will be uploaded to Sharepoint.</p> <p><i>Governors asked what were the key areas that this group needed support on as a result of COVID?</i> <i>Response - it was felt that the Y1 pupils had probably suffered the most with spending the first two years of school life in and out of lockdown.</i> There was a comprehensive in place for Phonics to bring pupils back up to speed after time off during lockdowns etc.</p>	
12	<p>Early Years Link Governor Report</p> <p>AS-H had met with CR (FS teacher). A very comprehensive verbal report given, expressing how beneficial the support of the parents had been</p>	

	alongside the EYFS team. Written report will be uploaded to Sharepoint.	
13	Spelling Governor Report NS met with CR on 4 th May 2021. Verbal report given. Class based spelling tests are being looked at. Written report can be found on Sharepoint.	
14	SEN Update JC-W met with AL (SEN). Verbal update on SEN numbers and future SEN given – challenge provided wrt a child not making better than expected progress to understand why. Written report has been uploaded to sharepoint	
15	Wellbeing and Safeguarding Link Governor Report SB had met with SA earlier this term and had discussed the safeguarding review. They have agreed to meet half termly. SB asked if anyone was prepared to share the safeguarding governor role to help and support her. To be allocated in September. SB happy to be anti-bullying governor	
	SB left the meeting at 8pm	
PART 'C'		
16	Staffing Covered in Headteacher Report	
17	Premises Covered in Headteacher Report	
18	Health & Safety Dale Barton (H&S) met with SO, SA and NS on 8 th June 2021 to carry out the Fire Risk Assessment. We are still waiting for the report to be sent in to school.	

19	Policy Review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anti-Bullying Policy <p>NYCC policy. Agreed by all governors</p>	
20	Dates for next Academic Year <p>AGM to take place on Thursday 16th September 2021 at 6.30pm</p> <p>Dates for the rest of the year to be set at this meeting</p>	
16	Any Other Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Email received from Christ Church School to see if we had a governor who can sit in on a complaints panel • AS-H told governors how all staff are working extremely hard. JM has been on her own with Y6 due to her TA self-isolating and she has managed to put on 2 evening performances as well as her normal classroom time. <p>Governors issued thanks to all and especially JM</p>	
	Meeting closed at 8.20pm	