Stroud Valley Community School

Governing Body

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The Governing Body has the responsibility for ensuring the good conduct and high standards of educational provision and achievement throughout the school. Governors do this by setting the strategic direction of the school, ensuring the quality of the education is high and by holding the Headteacher to account. All governing boards have three core functions to support their school:

1. To ensure clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction. We ask "Where is the school heading and what are the values of the school?"

2. To hold the Headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils and the management of staff

3. To oversee the financial performance of the school and make sure money is well spent and supports the key direction of the school.

In Stroud Valley Community school, the governing body is made up of local people who live in the community and want to achieve the best we can for the school and its families. As individuals, governors have no power or responsibility. It is only the full governing body acting together which has legal duties and powers. All governors share that responsibility. We are proud to be governors and want to continue to support the excellent learning in Stroud Valley Community school by taking an active part in the local community and working in close partnership with the head and her team.

The Governing Body is made up of 13 members.
This consists of:

- 3 parent governors who are elected by the parents of the school.
- 1 Local Authority representative
- 1 member of staff elected by the staff
- The Head Teacher
- 7 Co-Opted governors

These meet as a full group 4 – 6 times a year, equally spaced throughout the year.

There are also two focused committees:

- Finance, Staffing, Premises and General Purposes
- Self-Evaluation

Our Governors

Name	Governor Category	Appointment Date Term of Office	Further Information/Financial Pecuniary Interests
Claire Jones	Headteacher	Started 1/9/26	None
Chris Minett - Chair	Co-opted	22/3/19- 22/3/23 21/3/23 – 21/3/27	None
James Vandenberg-Harwood-– Vice Chair	Parent	3/7/23 – 2/7/27	None
Alice Moore	Parent	Elected Unopposed 21/2/25 – 21/2/29	None
Sarah Heague	Co-opted	23/3/15 – 22/3/19 22/3/19-22/3/23 22/3/23 – 22/3/27	DHT
Simon Pizzey	Co-opted	22/3/19- 22/3/23 22/3/23 – 21/3/27	None
Lisa Hinkley	Co-opted	20.4.26 - 20.4.30	None
Vacancy	Co-opted		
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Vacancy	Parent		
Lisa Grey	Staff	Elected unopposed 20/11/26 - 19/11/30	
Vacancy	LA		(Nathalie Rothwell?)
Julie Howe	Associate Member Finance Committee	Associate 18/10/21- 17/10/27	None
Claire Murphy	Associate Member Safeguarding & SEND	13/2/23 – 12/2/27 Resigned as full gov on 14/10/25. Now Ass Mem 15/10/25 – 14/10/27	None
Steve Hodgkinson	Parent Originally Co-opted but changed to parent 27/3/23	20/10/22-19/10/26 Chose not to stand	None Staff governor at another school
Jackie Terry	Co-opted	11/7/19-10/7/23 10/7/23 – 13.10.26 Resigned	None
Christine Barrett	Staff	23/3/19 – 22/3/23 22/3/23 – 21/3/27 Resigned 17.9.26	SENCO
Rachel Scott	LA	See Mins 16/12/24	None

		26/2/24 -26/2/28 Resigned 15/6/26	
John Walton	Co-opted	4/12/20-3/12/24 3/12/24 – 4/12/28 Resigned 1/6/26	None

The staff governor is elected by the staff of the school.
The local authority governor is appointed by the LA.
Co-opted governors are appointed by the existing governing body
The parent governor is elected by the parents of the school.

Committees Governors (Attendance for year Sept 26 – July 27)

Finance, Premises Staffing and General Purposes		**Self-Evaluation**	
Name	Attendance	Name	Attendance
C.Minett (Chair)		(Chair)	1/1
C. Jones		C.Minett	1/1
J.Harwood-Vandenburg		S.Pizzey	1/1
J.Howe		A.Moore	1/1
		C. Jones	1/1
		S.Heague	1/1
		C. Jones	1/1

Full Governing Body meetings	**Attendance**
C. Jones	
S Heague	1/1
C Minett	1/1
S Pizzey	1/1
J Harwood-Vandenburg	1/1
A Moore	1/1
Lisa Hinkley	1/1