

Annual Governance Statement for the Governing Body

In accordance with the Government's requirement for all governing bodies, the 4 core strategic functions of The Dingle Primary School Governing Body are:

- > Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos, values and strategic direction;
- > Holding the Headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils;
- > Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure it is well spent;
- > Ensuring the highest possible standards of Safeguarding.

The Governing Body is currently made up of 12 governors:

1 x Headteacher, 3 x parent governors, 1 staff governor, 4 Co-opted governors, 1 LA governor (vacant) and 2 Associate Governors (who do not have voting rights).

The Full Governing Body meets at least once each term, we also have 2 committees to consider different aspects of the school in detail. These committees are:

- *Leadership and Management (includes finance/staffing/SFVS)
- *Teaching and Learning

The work that we have completed in our committees:

- *School budget monitoring
- *Pupil Premium and Sports Grant monitoring
- *Health & Safety monitoring
- *Monitor performance management of Head and staff
- *Monitoring of curriculum
- *Monitor progress and attainment of pupils
- *Data analysis to ensure pupils make good progress from their starting points
- *Monitor and track attendance and punctuality
- *Act as a critical friend
- *Monitor wrap around care provision
- *Monitor safeguarding policy and procedures
- *Evaluate parents' and pupils' questionnaires
- *Monitor staff CPD
- *Monitor pupil behaviour
- *Monitor progress against the School's Development Plan
- *Appoint staff in line with school requirements
- *Act as a champion for pupils, parents and staff.

Governing Body Development Plan 2026/2027:

- *Consider Academy conversion;
- *Balance the school budget;
- *Manage pupil admission numbers and school expansion;
- *Challenge the school to understand the new Ofsted framework and work with the school to be continue a strong standard, especially in reference to the school's quality of education;
- * Monitor pupils' attendance, especially how the school is working to reduce the persistent absence of some individuals.

**The Governors can be contacted by writing a letter in to school and clearly marking the envelope FAO
The Governing Body.**