

GOVERNANCE AT ST. ALBAN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

St. Alban's Catholic Primary School is a Voluntary Aided School in the trusteeship of the Diocese of Shrewsbury. The Instrument of Government states that the school was founded by and is part of the Catholic Church. The school is to be conducted as a Catholic School in accordance with Canon Law and the teachings of the Catholic Church, and in accordance with the Trust Deed of the Diocese of Shrewsbury.

The governing body reconstituted in July 2015 and a new Instrument of Government came into effect on September 1st 2015.

The governing body consists of a total of 14 governors comprising:

- a) eight foundation governors
- b) two parent governors
- c) one headteacher
- d) one staff governor
- e) one local authority governor
- f) one co-opted governor

MEMBERSHIP OF THE GOVERNING BODY 2018-19

CHAIR OF GOVERNORS	PAT DUPREY
VICE CHAIR	LOUISE MULHERN
FOUNDATION GOVERNORS	TERM OF OFFICE EXPIRES
PAT DUPREY	31.08.2020
LOUISE MULHERN	31.08.2020
PAT HIGGINS	31.08.2021
MARIE WOLFE	31.08.2023
LUCY LOWE	31.08.2020
PETER MATTHEWS	31.08.2021
CLAIRE CONNOR	31.08.2022
KEVIN DOOGAN	31.08.2022
PARENT GOVERNORS	
BRIDGET PULLEN	31.08.2022
NICOLA BOYD	31.08.2022
HEADTEACHER	
CATHERINE FROST	ON-GOING
STAFF GOVERNOR	
COLETTE HAIG	31.08.2020
LOCAL AUTHORITY GOVERNOR	
COUNCILLOR BERNADETTE MOONEY	31.08.2023
CO-OPTED GOVERNOR	
TERESA MARNELL	31.08.2023

THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE GOVERNING BODY

The main duties and responsibilities of the Governing Body are:

- ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
- holding the Headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils, and the performance management of staff
- overseeing the financial management of the school and ensuring value for money

THE COMMITTEES OF THE GOVERNING BODY

The Governing Body delegates some of its responsibilities to three committees. Each committee meets once a term and reports to the full governors meeting on its work and any actions taken or recommendations to the governors.

Working in partnership with the Headteacher who has day to day responsibility for these areas:

The Standards and Curriculum Committee are responsible for:

- quality and delivery of the National Curriculum
- standards of pupil attainment and achievement
- safeguarding pupils and promoting their welfare
- reviewing the provision made for and progress of vulnerable groups pupils (pupil premium and looked after children)
- overseeing the personal development and well-being of pupils

The Finance, Health and Safety and Premises Committee are responsible for:

- setting and monitoring the school budget and making decisions on spending
- ensuring that the financial policies and procedures of the school meet appropriate standards and are following financial audit requirements and recommendations
- ensuring Health and Safety Policies and procedures meet appropriate standards and follow H&S audit requirements and recommendations
- ensuring that the school building premises and grounds are maintained to a high standard and making financial decisions with regard to this

The Personnel and Pay Committee are responsible for:

- determining and reviewing the school staffing structure and ensuring that it meets the needs of the school as effectively as possible within given financial constraints
- agreeing and implementing the whole school pay policy
- dealing with all appointments and pay/personnel related issues including performance management

There are a number of statutory committees which deal with staff and pupil disciplinary matters, dismissals, redundancies and complaints. There are also statutory appeals committees that deal with appeals.