GOVERNING BODY OF *Walberton and Binsted C of E Voluntary Controlled Primary School (2025-26)*

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- ensuring that the vision, ethos and strategic direction of the school are clearly defined;
- ensuring that the head teacher performs his or her responsibilities for the educational performance of the school; and
- ensuring the sound, proper and effective use of the school's financial resources.

The statutory purpose of the Governing Body is to promote high standards of educational achievement at the school.

The operational management of the school is the responsibility of the Headteacher and staff, whereas the governors are responsible for the general direction of the school and providing a strategic overview.

The Governing Body acts as a critical friend to the school and ensures accountability, whilst considering the interests all our pupils whatever their individual needs, parents and staff. It makes decisions about curriculum, finance, staffing and premises matters, to help raise standards of achievement and to make sure that the school provides the highest possible quality of education for all of our pupils.

Full name of Governor	Governor Category	Date of current Appointment or Election	Source of Appointment (where appropriate)	Term of office/Roles within GB	Attendance at full GB Meetings*	Declarations on register of business & pecuniary interest
Rev. Tim Ward	Ex-Officio Foundation	N/A	Incumbent of the Parish of Walberton and Binsted	Co-Chair of GB (until 20/5/26)	12/12	Married to Catherine Ward
Mrs Sue Cox	Foundation	26.1.23	Diocesan Board of Education on the recommendation of the Parochial Church Council of the Parish of Walberton	4 Years Co-Chair of GB Safeguarding Wellbeing	11/12	NIL
Mrs Amy Wilkins	Parent	09.05.23	N/A	4 Years PPG	9/12	NIL
Mr Mike Mansergh	Co-Opted	29.09.22	N/A	4 Years Vice-Chair-Finance Health and Safety	11/12	NIL
Mrs Sonya York	Staff	15.01.24	N/A	4 Years	11/12	NIL
Mr Joe Neale	Local Authority Head Teacher	24.01.24 **LEFT 20.01.26** 13.04.26	West Sussex Local Authority Nomination N/A	4 Years N/A	1/4 5/5	NIL
Mrs Rebecca Partington	Parent	10.01.25	N/A	4 Years Equality	6/12	NIL
Mrs Catherine Ward	Foundation	13.04.26	Diocesan Board of Education on the recommendation of the Parochial Church Council of the Parish of Walberton	4 Years Co-Chair of GB (from 20/5/26)	5/5	Married to Rev. Tim Ward
Mr Nigel Goddard	Local Authority	24.06.26	West Sussex Local Authority Nomination	4 Years	1/3	NIL
Mrs Amy Reed	Co-Opted	24.06.26	N/A	4 Years	3/3	NIL
Mrs Lorna Earle	Co-Opted	06.11.23 **LEFT 31/8/26**	N/A	4 Years Vice-Chair-Curriculum	11/12	NIL
Mrs Emma Nysse	Parent	10.01.25 **LEFT 31/8/26**	N/A	4 Years SEND	6/12	NIL
Mr Andrew Jolley	Interim Head Teacher	01.09.25 **LEFT 27/3/26**	N/A	2 Terms	7/7	NIL

***Attendance during previous academic year to 31/8/2026**

Full name of Associate Member	Committee Membership	Voting rights Yes/No	Date of Appointment	Term of Office/Role on committee	Attendance at committee Meetings*	Attendance at full GB meetings*	Declarations on register of business & pecuniary interest	Remarks
Mrs Catherine Ward	Ethos	No	24.9.25 **LEFT 13.04.26**	4 Years	0/0	7/7	Married to Rev Tim Ward	Left to become a foundation governor on 13.04.26

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