

HAYFIELD GOVERNORS' HERALD

October 2017

Welcome to the first edition of the Hayfield Cross School Governors' Newsletter for this academic year.

The Full Governing Board met in September for our first meeting of this school year. This started by all of the governors meeting both new and existing staff for an informal chat. In the formal meeting we agreed the terms of reference for all of our committees and planned our meetings for this year. Cllr Russell Roberts has tendered his resignation from the FGB and we all expressed our thanks to him as being one of the original governors who opened the school. All of the governors have allocated roles and I have included a summary of them here.

Chair of Full Governing Board Resource Committee and SIAMS team member	Helen Cracknell
Chair of Quality and Standards Committee Curriculum and English Governor	Claire Bell
Chair of Resource Committee Finance Governor	Derek Price
Quality and Standards Committee Inclusion and Equalities Governor and SIAMS team member	Ruth Walker
Quality and Standards Committee Safeguarding Governor and SIAMS team member	Rev Eleanor Jeans
Quality and Standards Committee Early Years and Maths Governor	Andrew Bilney
Resource Committee Health and Safety and SIAMS team member	Leanne Weatherley
Resource Committee Sports Funding	Victoria Khan
Quality and Standards Committee Quality of Teaching and Assessment and Science governor	Jemma Freeman
Local Authority Governor	Vacant

Temporary Utilities

The governors and the school have been continuously meeting and talking to all stakeholders with one aim; to improve the situation around the temporary utilities and temporary road, including improving the junction with Cranford Road.

Many of you will know that there was a meeting on Monday 2nd October between representatives from Northampton County Council, Kettering Borough Council, the developers (Hanwood Park) and Mr Charteris and myself. This is the third meeting of this group since July, following the East Kettering Liaison Forum. The focus of these meetings is twofold; to improve the situation which we have at present so utilities are fit for purpose as well as understanding and accelerating the timescale for the permanent road to be in place. Many of you will have noticed that we now have a second generator which will mean electrical power is highly unlikely to fail. Plans are being drawn up to take foul drainage off site to the

main sewer which was installed by Anglia Water over the summer. Similarly, plans are being drawn up to widen the road so cars can pass when cars are parked on the side. Most likely this will involve moving the mound of dirt and relocating the path. This group are meeting again on Wednesday 11th October when these plans will be shared along with a suggested timescale.

Please be assured that none of these works are being financed by the school.

The road junction should soon be more visible due to new signage; do remember the speed limit is 30 MPH on Cranford Road and there are plans to enforce this.

The next East Kettering Liaison Forum is on Thursday 7th December at 6:00pm, this is an open meeting for anyone who has an interest in the development of this area.

OFSTED

The school is now in its third year of opening which means we are due an inspection by Ofsted. The school will have no warning about the date of this, the school will receive a phone call in the morning and the inspectors will arrive the next day. The view of parents is vital and I would encourage parents to go to <https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/> to give your view on the school before the inspectors arrive.

WEBSITE

More Information about governance at Hayfield Cross can be found on the school website at <http://hayfieldcross.org.uk/index.php/information/governor-details>



Do come and speak to me on the playground, I am often there on a Tuesday or Wednesday afternoon, or make an appointment through the office.

If you want to contact the Governors in confidence to raise any issue, then please contact us by letter via the school office or use the governor email Governors@hayfieldcross.org.uk which is checked regularly.

Helen Cracknell (Chair of Governors)