

Chesterton Community College

Strategic Committee Minutes

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- 1. Present: Mark Patterson, Simon Peyton-Jones, Susannah Clements, Andrew Kennedy
- **2. Apologies:** Jim Warwick, James Strachan
- **3. Register of Pecuniary interests:** No pecuniary interests were declared.
- **4. Election of Chairperson:** Simon Peyton-Jones was elected as Chair.
- **5. Minutes of the last meeting,** (07.06.2011) were signed as a true record.

Matters arising: Check all three actions listed on the last set of minutes

Action: Clerk

Terms of Reference: To be amended

Action: Simon Peyton Jones to redraft/Clerk

What is the Strategic Committee for?:

- Wider themes arising from committees
- New ideas
- Current issues
- Sounding board for Head teacher
- Review and develop strategic ideas

Governance:

- Could we make governors more representative of the school pupil membership?
- Head and Chair of Governors to attend the West Chesterton Councillors meeting, once a year.

Action: Simon Peyton-Jones to invite Ian Nimmo –Smith if he has any thoughts.

- · Invite the local Imaam of which there are two, to the school for a visit
 - Discuss whether they might help find a community governor from their community. **Action**: Clerk/Simon Peyton- Jones
- Do other Trust schools feel the impact of their trust partner's impact, Assistant Heads
 Action: Mark Patterson

• Are we happy with the Constitutional arrangements for our Academy.

Action: Clerk to put on Full Governing Body agenda.

Policies:

- Each committee to have "Policies" as an agenda item
- Invite committees to look at their own policies and decide which ones are useful
- Think about combining policies
- Chair of committee to assign a lead Governor for each policy.
- Table the list of policies to state, name of policy, which are statutory, lead member of staff, year of last review.
- Reallocate some policies from Strategic committee to other committees.

Current Strategic policies and reallocation:

- > Strategic priorities: Now the School improvement plan.
- > Child protection: Child protection Gov and Personnel committee
- ➤ Nutrition: Resource committee via Tracy
- > Equality: Personnel committee
- > Complaints: Personnel committee
- > Publication scheme: Clerk and Strategic committee.
- > Target setting: No longer required
- > Accessibility plan: Resources committee

Action: Clerk

School Refurbishment:

There then followed a discussion on this topic.

Building Schools for the future has now disappeared and the capital spend is greatly reduced.

Initial discussion with Planning

Action: Mark Patterson

Valuation of the land

Action: Tracy Roden

11. Date of the next meeting: Friday 3rd February 2012 at 8am