

Committee terms of reference

Each committee reports to and devolves its authority from the Local Governing Body. The LGB has the overview of all school matters except staffing and finance.

Each committee should elect a chair and vice chair and minutes should be taken by the school's clerk to governors. The LGB appoints governors to committees and will follow the national governance code of conduct adopted by the LGB.

The purpose of LGB committees

The core purpose of LGB committees is to hold school leaders to account for keeping children safe and for raising standards. All governors either at LGB or in committee, play the role of the 'critical friend' or have a right to challenge school leaders and ask for further information. They also have a right to recommend actions. They should ask questions and scrutinise performance information and hear from a variety of professionals so that they not reliant on the headteacher's view alone. These are the remits of the following committees:

Standards (including Community)

This committee will focus on Key Stages 3 and 4 and scrutinise performance data in terms of outcomes from public examinations; internal performance measures and standards in teaching and learning as well as curriculum and standards of behaviour; marketing; Tiger Tots; Sports Division; lettings; community use and engagement; school reputation; websites and trips.

Sixth Form

The Sixth Form committee will consider all aspects of post 16 education in the Trust.

Each committee should report back concisely and pertinently to the next full LGB and ensure any items requiring further attention are placed on the agenda for wider discussion.