

Governance

The Governing Body is responsible for (i) the vision, ethos and strategic direction of the school, (ii) holding school leaders to account for the educational performance of the organisation and its pupils and the effective and efficient performance management of staff and (iii) overseeing the financial performance of the organisation and making sure that its money is well spent.

The Governing Body has up to 12 Governors including staff, parents, a Local Authority nominee and members of the community (Co-opted Governors). As and when there are vacancies, applications are welcome from all eligible candidates. As of 13th January 2026 there are 11 governors, 6 women and 5 men. The Chair is David McKinney and Jeff Sharpe is Vice-Chair.

The Full Governing Body meets up to 8 times during the academic year and operates three committees, the Curriculum Committee, the Pay Committee and Headteacher's Appraisal Panel.

The Headteacher's Appraisal Panel sets objectives for and reviews the performance of the Head and makes recommendations to the Pay Committee regarding the Headteacher's pay.

The Pay Committee reviews the Head's recommendations regarding staff pay and decides the pay of the Head in the light of the recommendation of the Headteacher's Appraisal Panel.

| Governors of Sheet Primary School January 2026 | | | Current term of office | Register of interests entries | Number of meetings attended while in post in 2024/25 | |
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| Name | Category | Roles & responsibilities | | | | FGB |
| Anna Buxey | Staff | Pupil Data, SEN, Gifted and Talented, EAL and PP | 06/05/25 – 05/05/29 | none | | 100% |
| Mary Downes | Co-opted | Finance Focus, Local Governor Forum Representative, Member of Pay Committee and Headteacher Appraisal Panel, School Recruitment Support/Safer Recruitment | 24/03/25 - 23/03/29 | Trustee of Hampton Trust | | 75% |
| Julia Elliman | Co-opted | Governor Development and Training, Local Governor Forum Representative, member of Curriculum Committee and Headteacher's Appraisal Panel. | 28/09/24 - 27/09/28 | none | | 63% |
| Francesca Griffiths | Parent | Curriculum Committee Lead, Governor Monitoring Lead, SEN, Gifted and Talented, EAL and Pupil Premium Focus, | 06/11/23 - 05/11/27 | none | | 100% |
| Elaine Heywood | Co-opted | Member of Pay Committee and Headteacher's Appraisal Panel, Data Protection Focus | 13/03/25- 12/03/29 | none | | 75% |
| David McKinney | Chair Local Authority | Safeguarding, Attendance, Child Protection and Children in Care Focus, | 01/08/23 – 31/07/27 | none | | 100% |
| Michael Mifsud | Parent | Pupil data (progress & attainment) and EYFS Focus, member of Curriculum Committee, Policy Lead / Website | 06/06/24 - 05/06/28 | none | | 88% |
| Julie Robinson | Headteacher, ex-officio | Adviser to the Pay Committee, Member of the Curriculum Committee | n/a | none | | 100% |
| Jeff Sharpe | Vice-Chair Co-opted | Finance Focus, | 27/03/24 – 26/03/28 | none | | 63% |
| Jos Standerwick | Parent | Safeguarding, Attendance, Child Protection and Children in Care Focus, Finance Focus, Member of Curriculum Committee | 06/11/23- 05/11/27 | none | | 50% |
| Charles Wyman | Parent | Health & Safety | 29/11/24 - 28/11/28 | none | | 67% |

| Governors of Sheet Primary School - Leavers within the last 12 months | | | Register of Interests | | |
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| Maddy Child | Staff | Pupil data (progress & attainment), SEN, Gifted and Talented, EAL and Pupil Premium Focus, Member of the Curriculum Committee. | 04/06/22 – 04/04/25 | none | 83% |
| David Heath | Co-opted | Health & Safety Focus, Member Pay Committee and Headteacher's Performance Panel | 01/08/23 – 15/04/25 | none | 17% |
| Alan Biddlecombe | Co-opted | | 22/09/25 - 06/12/25 | none | n/a |