

## **What do the Governors, known as the Local Governing Committee (LGC), do at Knutton St Mary's Academy?**

The LGC is a strategic committee of the St Bart's Multi Academy Trust (SBMAT) and alongside the Trust has the best interests of Knutton St Mary's Academy and the local community at heart. The Department for Education states that the core functions are

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- Holding executive leaders to account for the educational performance of the academy and the well-being of its pupils.

These functions are fulfilled in partnership with the Trust and reference the Scheme of Delegation<sup>1</sup>

There are nine governors that make up the LGC, three directly appointed by the Trust, two elected by the parents, two staff governors and two appointed by the diocese, each taking on various areas of responsibility<sup>2</sup>. We all care passionately about the safety and the education of your children and each try to bring our little bit of expertise to making Knutton St Mary's a better school. We never think that we have achieved everything and are always looking to continue our training. So here at Knutton St Mary's we endeavour to be ambitious for all the children and have a commitment to continuous school improvement. As a result, we have set clear Christian values of community, respect and perseverance so that 'together the children will succeed and shine'

To achieve this the full LGC meet once every term, governors visit the school regularly meeting and talking to the staff, undertake learning walks with the senior leaders, attend Inset days and the Chair of Governors meets with the Hub Leader. To keep parents informed the Part I minutes, once approved, are available from the office.

As governors we endeavour to be accessible as possible, you may see us around school, you can contact us via the school office or e-mail the Clerk to Governors, if you would like to know more. However, we do ask that if you have an issue that relates specifically to your child you use the channels put in place by the school staff to ensure that the matter is dealt with appropriately and in a timely manner.

Anne Gadsden  
(Chair of Governors)

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<sup>1</sup> The Scheme of Delegation identifies the key decisions made by the Trust and by the LGC (school website)

<sup>2</sup> Governors Organisation (school website)