

## **Annual Governance Statement for the Governing Body of**

Shincliffe C of E (Controlled)

Primary School

### **School Vision/Mission Statement**

Every member of the school community is valued as a child of God, made in his image and likeness. All are welcome and are encouraged to use their gifts and talents to contribute to the happy and caring environment we strive to create. We seek to develop the highest levels of academic achievement and personal well-being within a loving Christian context. We aim to provide a stimulating learning atmosphere in which the potential of all can be realised. We recognise and cherish our role within the wider community and seek to build strong links between home, school and local community.

The Governing Body of Shincliffe C of E Primary School has a strong focus on its three core strategic functions:

1. Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;
2. Holding the Headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils, and the performance management of staff;
3. Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

### **Governance arrangements**

The Governing Body is composed of eleven people:-

- 2 Foundation Governors (appointed by the Diocesan Board of Education one of whom should be the Incumbent or Priest in Charge of Shincliffe Parish)
- 1 LA Governor
- 4 elected Parent Governors
- 2 Co-opted Governors
- The Headteacher
- 1 Staff Governor. The Full Governing Body,

Finance and School Life Including Curriculum Committees each meet 3 times per year (more if necessary). There are special committees linked to performance which meet when required.

There are clear guidelines for all committees.

<b>Attendance record of governors</b>	The attendance record of most Governors is excellent. All meetings are quorate and enable the agenda to go ahead as planned.
<b>The work that we have done on our committees and in the governing body</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Oversee the work of the Headteacher and Deputy Headteacher, providing support and encouragement</li> <li>• Evaluated the remote learning provision</li> <li>• Monitor the progress of the Middle Leaders</li> <li>• Enabling training for Headteacher and staff</li> <li>• Evaluate the investment in training and equipment for the new curriculum</li> </ul>
<b>Future plans for the Governing Body</b>	<p>Much of the work is ongoing but important areas are:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitoring of the budget</li> <li>• Monitoring progress</li> <li>• Monitoring development of senior leadership</li> <li>• Improving Governor training based on the skills audit and evaluating this training</li> </ul>
<b>Contact Details</b>	<p>The Governing Body welcomes suggestions, feedback and ideas from parents/carers. Please contact the Chair of Governors c/o the school office.</p> <p>Details of the full Governing Body are on the school website.</p>