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## Brampton Village Primary School Governor Body

Have you considered joining us as a School Governor?

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### *What is a School Governor?*

As Governors we play a **key role** in the success of our school, for the benefit of our children. We are volunteers who work with the professional staff to ensure our children get the best education the school can provide - take a look at our [school website](#) to find out more about us. We are a mix of parent governors, co-opted governors from the wider community, a governor from our Local Authority, a staff governor and our Head Teacher.

### *What do Governors do?*

We set the strategic direction for the school and monitor progress on all aspects of school life, from safeguarding and wellbeing to educational outcomes, resources and school values.

Working as a governor involves reading reports, visiting the school, asking questions and attending meetings, in order to maintain an overview of how our school is doing. We work as a 'critical friend' to the school's leadership team, both to challenge and support.

The average time commitment is five to eight hours per month, although it will vary with the current needs of the school and your role; and may be more initially until you are up to speed. The term of office is four years. Many people choose to serve multiple terms, however as a volunteer you can resign before your term is finished if your circumstances change.

### *Who are we looking for?*

We are looking for a **parent** governor to join our team. We encourage applications from all members of society, regardless of background, gender, ethnicity, disability or age (as long as you're over 18).

- **Can you spare some time?**
- **Do you enjoy working as part of a team?**
- **Are you interested in helping to make our school the best it can be?**

If the answer is YES then please get in touch.

Being a school governor has rewards. It is good personal development, you get access to training and experience of working in a board situation. In addition, you will gain an enormous sense of satisfaction in being part of a team working to improve the school and outcomes for children.

No previous experience is required, just the necessary skills, character and time to contribute. **We are looking for people who are:**

- Committed and have the time to dedicate to this important role
- Motivated and organised
- Willing to learn
- Work well as part of a team
- Interested in education and providing the best possible opportunities for our pupils

We are looking for Governors with all types of experience.

#### *How to apply?*

The enclosed sheet summarises the circumstances under which someone cannot serve as a governor. Applications must be from parents or carers with children at the school on the closing date.

Completed application forms must be returned to school no later than noon on **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February**.

If there are more nominations than vacancies the appointment will be by election. If that is necessary, voting papers will be sent to all parents/carers together with details of the procedure and your personal statement (should you include one in your application form).

This School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All appointments will be subject to successful DBS and Section 128 checks and you will be required to provide further personal information which will be entered onto the DfE GIAS database but will not be made publicly available.

## **QUALIFICATIONS AND DISQUALIFICATIONS Governors and Associate Members**

Schedule 6 of the Constitution Regulations covers the qualifications and disqualifications of governors.

The School Governance (Constitution) (England) Regulations 2012

I declare that I am not disqualified from serving as a school governor and that:

- I am aged 18 or over at the date of this election or appointment;
- I do not already hold a governorship of the same school; \*\*
- I have not had my estate sequestrated and the sequestration has not been discharged, annulled or reduced;
- I am not subject to a bankruptcy restrictions order, an interim bankruptcy restrictions order, a debt relief restrictions order or an interim debt relief restrictions order;
- I am not subject to a disqualification order or disqualification undertaking under the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986, a disqualification order under the Company Directors Disqualification (Northern Ireland) Order 2002, a disqualification undertaking accepted under the Company Directors Disqualification (Northern Ireland) Order 2002 or an order under Section 429(2)(b) of the Insolvency Act 1986;
- I have not been removed from the office of trustee for a charity by an order made by the Charity Commission or the High Court on the grounds of any misconduct or mismanagement in the administration of the charity or under Section 34 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005, from being concerned in the management or control of any body;
- I am not included in the list of people considered by the Secretary of State as unsuitable to work with children;
- I am not disqualified from working with children or subject to a direction under Section 142 of the Education Act 2002;
- I am not barred from regulated activity relating to children in accordance with Section 3(2) of the Safeguarding Vulnerable Groups Act 2006;
- I am not disqualified from working with children under Sections 28, 29 or 29A of the Criminal Justice and Court Services Act 2000;
- I am not disqualified from registration under Part 2 of the Children and Families (Wales) Measure 2010 for childminding or providing day care;
- I am not disqualified from registration under Part 3 of the Childcare Act 2006;
- I have not, in the five years prior to becoming a governor or since becoming a governor received a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period of not less than three months (without the option of a fine);
- I have not, in the twenty years prior to becoming a governor, been convicted as aforesaid of any offence and had passed on me a sentence of imprisonment for a period of not less than two and a half years;
- I have not, at any time received a prison sentence of five years or more;
- I have not been convicted for causing a nuisance or disturbance on school premises during the five years prior to or since appointment or election as a governor;
- I have not refused a request by the clerk to the governing body to make an application to the Disclosure and Barring Service for a criminal records certificate.

\*\* This does not apply to governors being considered for re-appointment or standing for re-election.



## Self Nomination Form for Appointment as a School Governor

Title: .....

First name: .....

Last name: .....

Address: .....

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Postcode: .....

Tel: (H).....

Tel: (W) .....

Tel: (M) .....

Email: .....

Length of residence in the area: .....

Do you have any children at school? Y/N If yes which school(s) do they attend?

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**What would make you a good school governor?**

(maximum of 300 words - please continue on further sheet if necessary):