



Community Governor Vacancies at The South Wolds Academy and Sixth Form

We are looking to recruit community governors and we wish to seek nominations from people who are interested in joining the local governing body of our school.

The role of the governing body

The school's governing body is responsible for providing confident and strategic leadership, and creating robust accountability, oversight and assurance for the school's educational and financial performance. We are passionate about education and committed to continuous school improvement to ensure the best possible outcomes for our pupils.

The role of a governor

As a governor, you will work with the governing body to make sure it effectively carries out the duties referred to above and you should have:

- A strong commitment to the role and to improving outcomes for children
- Good inter-personal skills, curiosity, and a willingness to learn and develop new skills
- The specific skills required to make sure the governing body delivers effective governance

The governing body is keen for candidates to have skills in HR, Finance, Health and Safety, Estate Management, Curriculum and other educational provision as well as business management.

Expectations of governors

Governors are expected to attend each full governing body meeting, any sub-committee they become a member of, along with any extraordinary meetings that may also be required during an academic year.

As a governor, you will normally hold office for a period of 4 years. However, you can resign from the local governing body at any time.

All governors are expected to undertake additional duties, which are individually negotiated; these may include developing expertise and advising the local governing body about a particular area of school life or sitting on ad-hoc working parties or governor appeal panels.

All new governors are required to undergo an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check, to ensure they are not barred from undertaking this regulated activity. Equally, interested parties should check the schools Terms of Reference attached for more details about disqualification from becoming a school governor. In addition, an elected member of the local authority and school staff who work at the school for more than 500 hours i.e. for more than one third of the hours of a full time equivalent, in a school year, at the time of election or appointment **will not be eligible to apply.**

How to apply

If you're interested in applying for the role, please complete the application form attached to this letter and return to myself, Heather Large, Clerk to The South Wolds Academy and Sixth Form at clerk@southwolds.uk by 28 April 2025. Applications will then be considered by the local governing body and you may be invited to come into school to meet with the Chair.

If you have any queries about this process or would like to find out more about the role, please contact myself.

Yours sincerely

Heather Large

Heather Large
Clerk to The South Wolds Academy and Sixth Form

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GOVERNOR APPLICATION FORM

Name:	
Address:	
E mail Address Landline & Mobile Telephone Number:	
Date of Birth	
Nationality	

Statement:

Please include any relevant skills or experience you feel you could bring to a school governing body and explain the commitment you can offer the governing body as part of your contributions to the future work of the board.

Safeguarding References

In line with current Keeping Children Safe in Education 2024 Guidance all Governors should now provide two safeguarding references. They should not be a friend and cannot be relatives. One should ideally be your current employer.

referee 1	
Name	
Job title	
Relationship to applicant	
Phone number	
Email address	

referee 2	
Name	
Job title	
Relationship to applicant	
Phone number	
Email address	

By completing the above section, you are declaring that the information you have submitted is correct and replaces the need for your signature. Please send direct to clerk@southwolds.uk

Alternatively, you may wish to print, sign below and return your nomination form to Jo Eggleton, PA to the Head Teacher at the school.

Signed: _____ Date: _____