Categories of Governor

There are four compulsory stakeholder groups –

PARENT GOVERNOR

The parents/carers of all registered pupils at the school are eligible to stand for election as **PARENT GOVERNOR**.

Parent Governors are elected by other parents/carers at the school.

A ballot is held if more than one nomination is received.

STAFF GOVERNOR

Teaching and support staff who are paid to work at the school are eligible for **STAFF GOVERNORSHIP**. Staff governors are elected by the staff. A ballot is held if more than one nomination is received.

The headteacher is a member of the governing board by virtue of her office and is included in the staff category.

LOCAL AUTHORITY (LA) GOVERNOR

The governing board sets out the eligibility criteria for an LA governor and presents this to the Local Authority. The LA identifies a person who meets the criteria and nominates that person. If the governing body is satisfied that the nominee matches the criteria, the governing board makes the appointment. The governing board can choose to reject the person if the eligibility criteria are not met.

CO-OPTED GOVERNOR

The governing board co-opts people who are committed to good governance and the success of the school.

TERM OF OFFICE

With the exception of the Headteacher, Governors are appointed for a term of four years.