

Code of Conduct

Governors at Calow Primary School have adopted a Code of Conduct that outlines common understanding of the broad principles by which the Governing Body and individual Governors operate. These cover: commitment, relationships, confidentiality, and conduct. Governors should receive a copy of the Code of Conduct when appointed.

Governor Training

Governor training, advice and support are available from the Local Authorities Derby Diocesan Board as well as some independent providers. The national Governor organisations:

- National Governors' Association (N.G.A.) and
- Information for Schools and College Governors (I.S.C.G.)

also provide information, advice and relevant publications. Governor training is not compulsory but all Governors are strongly encouraged to take up available training, particularly induction courses. Where Governors do not take up training opportunities, they have often acquired appropriate knowledge through work or experience to support their work as a School Governor.

Governor training at Calow Primary forms part of our School Improvement Plan as a part of the training budget is allocated to facilitate Governor's individual training needs, such as course attendance. The Governor who has particular responsibility for training at Calow Primary is Mr. J. D. Clark. Should you have specific queries please speak with either Mr. Clark or Mr. Thacker.

School Committees

The Governing Body determines the membership and proceedings of any committee. The Governing Body must also review the establishment, terms of reference, constitution and membership of any committee annually. The membership of any committee may include associate members, provided that a majority of members of the committee are Governors. Each committee must have a Chair, who is either appointed by the Governing Body or elected by the committee.

The membership of each of the committees is determined at a meeting of the Full Governing Body at the beginning of each academic year. In addition to the Full Governing Body, Calow Primary's committees are: Finance and General Purposes; Personnel; School Development; Premises and Health and Safety.

Governors are also asked to take on a 'link' role. As a Link Governor you are responsible for liaising with a Subject Leader about an area of the school curriculum. An agenda for these twice yearly meetings is provided for you, along with guidance about the role of the Link Governor – so do not worry!