

**ST HELENS COUNCIL
COWLEY INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE**

**MINUTES OF THE VIRTUAL MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY
OF COWLEY INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE
HELD ON THURSDAY 19TH MAY 2022 AT THE SCHOOL**

Present:

Co-opted Governors

- * Mrs Margaret Bellis
- * Mr Paul Worthington
- Mr Geoffrey Appleton
- Mrs Kathryn Campbell
- Colonel Stephen P Boardman MBE DL
- * Mr Russell Cormack
- Mr Innes Arnold
- * Mr Garry Anders
- * Mrs Justine Kellett
- * Mr Nigel Rouch

Parent Governors

- Miss Shana Begum
- * Mr Ross Foster

Staff Governors

- * Mr Cameron Sheeran (Headteacher)
- * Ms Lynne Sayle

Local Authority Governor

- * Cllr Mancyia Uddin

- * Denotes members present

Also present: Mrs M Foster, Governor Support Services, Acting as Clerk to the Governing Body

It was agreed to consider Part 2 items at the start of the meeting.

PART 1

1. APOLOGIES AND CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT TO ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Ms Kathryn Campbell and Mr Geoffrey Appleton.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

Governors were invited to declare any interests in any item on the agenda for the meeting. No declarations were made.

3. GOVERNOR MEMBERSHIP

The Chair welcomed Mr Ross Foster, Parent Governor, and Mr Nigel Rouch, Co-opted Governor to their first meeting.

It was noted that Miss Begum had indicated that she would be unable to attend meetings due to her forthcoming maternity leave. It was agreed that Miss Mancyia Uddin would make contact to clarify whether she had resigned from the GB.

4. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 31ST MARCH 2022

The minutes of the meeting held on 31st March 2022 were approved as a correct record.

5. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE ABOVE MINUTES

There were no matters arising from the above minutes not already on the agenda for the meeting.

6. MINUTES FROM THE PUPIL BEHAVIOUR AND WELLBEING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 21ST APRIL 2022

The minutes from the Pupil Behaviour and Wellbeing Committee meeting held on 21st April 2022 were received and noted.

7. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PUPIL BEHAVIOUR AND WELLBEING COMMITTEE HELD ON 21ST APRIL 2022

The Committee Chair fed back from the meeting, in particular that a number of students had attended and contributed positively to the meeting.

Feedback was also provided from a recent permanent exclusion.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE PUPIL BEHAVIOUR AND WELLBEING COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 21ST APRIL 2022

There were no recommendations from the above meeting for consideration.

9. MINUTES FROM THE QUALITY OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE HELD ON 21ST APRIL 2022

The minutes from the Quality of Education Committee held on 21st April 2022 were received and noted.

10. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE QUALITY OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 21ST APRIL 2022

Mr Russell Cormack fed back from the meeting, in particular about the ECTs attendance and contribution to the meeting. It was noted that the ECTs were staying on into next year.

11. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE QUALITY OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 21ST APRIL 2022

There were no recommendations from the above meeting for consideration.

12. MINUTES FROM THE FINANCE, PERSONNEL AND PREMISES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 28TH APRIL 2022

The minutes from the Finance, Personnel and Premises Committee meeting held on 28th April 2022 were received and noted.

13. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE FINANCE, PERSONNEL AND PREMISES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 28TH APRIL 2022

Feedback was provided by Governors in attendance at the meeting, in particular discussion took place about the projected cost of utilities.

Q: Is there any update on the work on the Sixth Form site?

A: We are working with various officers to provide additional space for students coming in, particularly SEND students.

14. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE FINANCE, PERSONNEL AND PREMISES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 28TH APRIL 2022

Governors approved the following recommendations from the meeting:

- Approve contracts.
- Approve the ICT Development Plan as budgeted.
- Approve the 2022-23 budget including approval of use of balances for revenue contributions to capital projects and to balance future year deficits.

15. LOCAL AUTHORITY STANDARD ITEMS

There were no Local Authority items for consideration at the meeting.

16. POLICY REVIEW

There were no policies for approval at the meeting.

17. SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN (SIP) AND SELF-EVALUATION

This item was not discussed.

18. COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

The newsletter was received and noted. Governors offered congratulations to teams and coaches and thanked staff for giving up their time, to the students working on mental health and to all involved in putting the newsletter together.

Discussion took place about the innovative projects Cowley was involved in.

19. INTERNATIONAL TRIPS

There were no trips for approval at the meeting.

20. WELLBEING OF STUDENTS

This item had been discussed earlier in the meeting.

21. GCSE EXAM ARRANGEMENTS FOR SUMMER TERM

Governors were advised that school was in the midst of the exam period, and the overwhelming majority of students were engaging well with the exam arrangements. The small group of students not engaging were being supported as much as possible.

22. CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair fed back from Sixth Form students interviews which were very positive.

23. LINK GOVERNOR REPORTS AND MONITORING VISITS

There were no reports for discussion at the meeting.

24. GOVERNOR DEVELOPMENT

Governors were reminded of the NGA Learning Link information which was shared in the pack.

25. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 14th July 2022 at 5.00pm.

26. URGENT MATTERS

Governors were advised that their Cowley e-mail accounts were now available with annual passwords, however there was a need to log in the first time whilst on the school site. Governors agreed to liaise with Mr Cormack asap to enable the e-mail accounts to go live after half term.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6.20pm.

Signed.....Chairperson Dated.....