

**HORSINGTON CHURCH SCHOOL  
MEETING OF THE ETHOS COMMITTEE  
HELD ON 29<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2018 at 7.00PM**

The meeting began at 7.05pm

*Prayer*

1. Present: M. Alexander, H. Barker, S. Beckey, J. Boyd-Lee, S. Holmes, C. Hurt, I. Wood (Chair).

In attendance: R. Jacques (Clerk)

2. Apologies accepted: R. Bradford-Peck, J. Mortarotti, J. Stewart.  
Non-attendee: G. Miles

3. Election of Chair: I. Wood had indicated that she was willing to continue as Chair of the Ethos Committee and as there were no other nominations this was approved unanimously by the Governors.

Proposed: J. Boyd-Lee  
Seconded: M. Alexander

4. Conflict of Interests: none declared

5. Minutes of last meeting: The minutes of the meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2018 had been circulated prior to the meeting and were approved by the Committee:

Proposed: J. Boyd-Lee  
Seconded: S. Holmes

6. Matters Arising:

6.1 Review Section 3 and 4 of the SIAMS self-evaluation: M. Alexander explained to the Committee that as the SIAMS framework has now changed the current sections of the SIAMS self-evaluation are not relevant. She proposed that some Governors attend a staff meeting to be held next term during which the new SIAMS framework will be presented to staff and work begin on completing the required documentation. The Committee agreed with this proposal and I. Wood indicated that she would attend the staff meeting. **The Committee asked** M. Alexander a number of questions: *I Wood to attend SIAMS update staff meeting*

Q. Are we under the old framework until the next inspection?

A. No. We keep the judgement of 'outstanding' until the next inspection but will be inspected using the new framework.

Q. Would it be appropriate to invite the new vicar along to the meeting?

A. Yes, he would be very welcome.

Q. Will Pauline Dodds from the Diocese education department be able to provide any support in helping the School to prepare for the inspection as the School is entitled to two hours of her time at no charge?

A. Yes. Although it is hoped that she will be able to provide some support to the School staff on the development of spirituality resources.

M. Alexander advised the Committee that on close inspection of the new criteria the School is unlikely to achieve an 'outstanding' outcome next year. It is more likely to

be 'good' with outstanding features. She added that she had attended a course recently on the new SIAMS framework and will be attending another next term. I. Wood also confirmed that she will attending a similar course in February.

6.2 I. Wood to attempt to have the Parish Profile changes to include the correct School photo: I. Wood confirmed that this was possible.

7. SIAMS Inspection new format: This item was discussed under item 6.2.
8. Christian Distinctiveness: M. Alexander informed the Committee that she has been advised by the MAT this will now form part of the learning environment in School.
9. Horsington PCC Update: I. Wood informed the Committee that a new vicar has been appointed and will start in January. The next PCC meeting will take place in April.
10. Policy: Mission/Religious Statement of Ethos/Aims of the School: **A Governor asked** if the aims should be linked to the Statement of Entitlement. M. Alexander confirmed that they do and that the aims also link in with the new SIAMS framework. The Committee noted and reviewed the policy aims.
11. Any Other Business: There was none.

The meeting closed at 7.25pm