



**Pennine View School Local Governing Body
Wellbeing, Teaching & Learning
Thursday 4 February 2021 at 09:30
via MS Teams**

Those Present:		
Sarah Mulhall	Headteacher	SM
Emma Heyes	Chair/Safeguarding Link Governor	EH
Sally Macdonald	Governor – Transitions Link Governor	SM
Chris Rowse	Governor – T&L Link Governor	CR
Andy Clayton	Governor – T&L Link Governor	AC
Carole Lawrie	Parent Governor – Wellbeing Link Governor	CL
Also Present:		
Warren Carratt	Chief Executive Officer	CEO
Joel Hardwick	Assistant Chief Executive Officer	JH
Rachel Potts	Director	RP
Apologies:		
Elise Bowen	Teaching Staff Governor	EB
Sally Wylde	Staff Governor	SW
No Apologies:		
Kelly-Ann Robinson	Parent Governor – Wellbeing Link Governor	KAR

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE	Actions
<p>1.1. To receive apologies for absence</p> <p>Apologies were received from EB and SW given they are required in class today.</p> <p>No apologies were received from KAR.</p>	
<p>1.2. To accept apologies for absence</p> <p>Apologies were accepted from EB and SW.</p>	
2. ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINES	
<p>2.1. Chair to determine any items of urgent business</p> <p>Rachel Potts, Vice Chair of the Nexus Board of Directors, introduced herself and explained that she was in attendance as part of a bigger initiative for Directors to get to know LGBs better, to get an idea of the issues being discussed at LGBs and to improve communication.</p>	
3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS	
<p>3.1. Individual Governors to declare any personal, business or other governance interests on any item on the agenda</p> <p>None.</p>	
4. PENNINE VIEW LOCAL GOVERNING BODY MINUTES	
<p>4.1. To approve the minutes of the following meeting:</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 3rd December 2020 were approved as a correct record with no amendments.</p>	
<p>4.2. Review of Action Tracker</p> <p>The outstanding actions on the tracker were reviewed and updated.</p>	
<p>4.3. Matters arising from the Minutes</p> <p>None.</p>	
5. POLICIES	
<p>5.1. Policies for Review</p> <p>None.</p>	
<p>5.2. New Policies</p> <p>None.</p>	
6. ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED	
<p>6.1. Lockdown Measures – Headteacher Verbal Update</p> <p>SM talked through the need for an urgent INSET on Monday 4 Jan 2021 due to the majority of teachers – via their NEU rep – informing school that they would be refusing</p>	

to attend school on Monday 4 Jan, citing section 44 of the Employment Rights Act. School and the Trust disputed this and staff were all met with (where they agreed to attend a meeting) on the INSET day to explain absence would be unauthorised and possibly a disciplinary case.

There are 50 pupils attending school at the minute, with the remaining 68 pupils learning from home on an agreed leave of absence. School are visiting 45 pupils a week where they aren't attending the site. CEO stated this is well above national average.

SM outlined the work she is doing with the Assistant CEO to review roles and responsibilities and staffing structures ahead of September 2021. There is a current pressure with careers as the designated lead has been on secondment and has now left the school.

There is a structured approach to wellbeing for staff and pupils, which SM provides an update to Governors on.

Free School Meals families have been given the choice of a voucher or hamper. 56 families want a voucher, 8 want a hamper (which school staff deliver).

Lateral flow testing (LFT) is taking place in school, with the hall converted into a testing site. Staff are being tested weekly and school is in the process of increasing to 2 tests per week.

JH asked if all staff had consented to LFT and SM confirmed that they have. SM talked through the infrastructure in place to facilitate testing. CL asked if LFT was compulsory and SM confirmed it was consensual.

JH clarified that funding for LFT from the DfE was now calculated on number of tests registered.

34 IT devices have been delivered to pupils, based on a prioritisation order of LAC, Safeguarding and Y11s.

SM talked positively about the huge uptake of pupils accessing the Easy Read platform during lockdown.

SM has published the school's remote learning statement on the school website. There is a strong focus on celebrating success of learning achievement at home.

JH asked about the picture of engagement in online learning. There are 10 pupils not engaging in regular school-led activity. These numbers have reduced over time, which is positive. SM is working with social care services on these concerns. Some of these pupils find the blurring of school and home a challenge, due to their Autistic Spectrum Condition needs.

SM provided an update on themed learning within classes and how this remains central to the curriculum. The environment & climate change topic has been updated and linked to independence skills such as recycling tasks.

<p>SM shared celebratory news as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ One staff member has recently qualified as an NQT; ▪ One of the pupils has been creating some really impressive art, and this has been shared on social media; ▪ Pupils have collected food treats to share with the local police and hospital staff to say thank you; ▪ Wellbeing Bingo is going well. <p>EH thanked SM for the robust update, and said this answered all her questions. EH asked if feedback from families was being collated, and SM confirmed it was – mostly from school dojo. SM read out an example of parental feedback.</p> <p>CR remarked on the positivity of the position in school and congratulated SM on this and all the staff team and pupils.</p> <p>AC echoed this.</p> <p>RP felt the update from SM was incredibly uplifting.</p>	
<p>6.2. Chair/CEO Verbal Update of Key Issues from Trust Board of Directors</p> <p>CEO provided an update in the Trust position with regards to S.44 citations.</p> <p>CEO updated the LGB on plans for the bridge and the potential for growth of the school.</p>	
<p>7. GOVERNANCE MATTERS</p>	
<p>7.1. Governors to complete Activity Log</p> <p>None.</p>	
<p>8. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS</p>	
<p>8.1. To consider any other urgent business agreed by the Chair</p> <p>None.</p>	
<p>9. CONFIDENTIALITY & RISK</p>	
<p>9.1. To consider the confidentiality of any items discussed during the meeting</p> <p>None</p>	
<p>9.2. To consider any areas of risk discussed during the meeting</p> <p>None.</p>	
<p>10. DATES OF NEXT MEETING</p>	

Thursday 25 th March 2021	09:30 – 11:30	MS Teams	Safeguarding, Leadership & Management
Thursday 13 th May 2021	09:30 – 11:30	Pennine View School	Teaching, Learning & Wellbeing

Tuesday 29 th June 2021	16:00 – 19:00	Crags School	Leadership Summit
Thursday 1 st July 2021	09:30 – 11:30	Pennine View School	Safeguarding, Leadership & Management

Minutes approved

CHAIR	SIGNATURE	DATE
E. HEYES	E. HEYES	25/03/21