

Willow Tree Primary School Governing Board Structure

School Governors are people who want to make a positive contribution to children's education. The role of Willow Tree Governing board is key to the effectiveness of our school. The Willow Tree governing Board meets regularly to ensure that all our children receive the best possible education and make sure that Willow Tree continues to grow in success.

Register of Personal, Pecuniary or Business Interests

All the governors and associate members of Willow Tree primary school have signed the Register of personal, pecuniary or business interests. This is a declaration of any personal or business interest they or any relative or person closely connected with them, have with businesses or other organisations that may have dealings with the school.

This could for example include owning or having a relative work for a business that had dealings with school, having a relative working in or for school or being a governor of another school.

If any interest a governor has, could be seen to cause a conflict of interest they would be asked to withdraw from any decision making concerned. This is to ensure our governors can always be seen to be putting the interest of the school first.

If there is a potential conflict, it is shown in the table. This table also shows the category of governor each person is, any specific role on the governing Board and the committees they are members of.

More information about the requirements to sign the register of personal, pecuniary or business interests can be found on Salford City Council's Governor Services web pages at <http://www.salford.gov.uk/schoolgovernors.htm> where you will also find the links to all the other local authority (LA) governing bodies' personal, pecuniary or business interest register.

Categories of Governors At Willow Tree

Parent Governors who have a child in school at the time of their election, and are elected by the parents of the school.

Staff governors who are members of staff at their school and are elected by their colleagues.

Co-opted governors are appointed onto the governing Board by the other members because they come from a specialist group such as the business community or because they possess a particular skill, which can contribute to the effective governance and success of the school.

Local authority (LA) governors who are nominated by the local councillor and appointed by the governing Board.

The Headteacher (HT) is also a member of the governing Board by right of the position they hold in school.

Associate members are not actually governors but can be appointed to serve on committees and attend meetings of the full governing Board. They do not have the right to vote at meetings of the full governing board, but may have been given voting rights on the committee that they are a member of, but these rights can only be given by the governing Board.

The Different Committees Our Governing Board has are:

Buildings and Finance
School Effectiveness
Staffing Committee
Headteacher's Performance Management
Appeals

There are also separate disciplinary and appeals committees, which are convened if they are required.