



THE RUSSELL SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY STRUCTURE 2024-25

Governing Body Membership:

Type of Governor	Name:	End of Term:
Parents (2)	Coulter Patton	13.12.26
	Claire Smith	2.03.26
Co-opted (6)	Louise Allen (Chair)	02.07.25
	Emma Furlong	12.11.26
	Daria Ibrulj (Vice-Chair)	12.11.26
	Tom Lloyd	15.11.25
	Sophie McGeoch	12.11.26
	Anke Monestel	12.11.26
Staff (1)	Cate Dittrich	12.11.28
Headteacher (1)	Laura Brooks	Ex-officio

Not included on Instrument of Government:

(Do not have voting rights)

Associate Member: Nicola McCann 22.11.25

Clerk: Beth Hemphill

Sub Committees of the full governing body:

1. School Improvement Committee (SIC)

- Louise Allen
- Laura Brooks
- Cate Dittrich
- Emma Furlong (Co-Chair)
- Tom Lloyd



- Sophie McGeoch (Co-Chair)
- Claire Smith

2. Resources Committee

- Louise Allen (Chair)
- Laura Brooks
- Daria Ibrulj
- Anke Monestel
- Rebekah O'Sullivan
- Coulter Patton
- Claire Smith

(The Resources Committee nominates 3 governors to form Pay Review Committee, one of which must be Committee Chair)

3. Head Teacher Performance Management

- Louise Allen
- Daria Ibrulj
- Claire Smith

4. Performance Management & Pay Appeals

Three governors, not members of the Pay Review Committee.

Link Governor Roles

The roles link individual governors to specific areas for the governing body's responsibility. Having link governors does not remove the board's responsibility for these areas. The purpose of a link governor role is to:

1. Ensure that a named governor has specific oversight of a particular area and
2. To enable the board to develop a greater depth of knowledge in this area.

It is important to note that having link governors does not remove the board's collective responsibility for each area.

Link Governor Role	Governor:
Behaviour and Attendance	Coulter Patton
Children Looked after and previously looked after	Claire Smith
Communications	Anke Monestel
Curriculum and Standards	Sophie McGeoch



Diversity, Equality and Inclusion	Tom Lloyd
EYFS	Emma Furlong
Finance	Daria Ibrulj
Governor Training and Development	Louise Allen
Inclusion and SEND	Emma Furlong
IT Cyber Security/Filtering and Monitoring	Tom Lloyd
Performance Management of the Head Teacher	Louise Allen Daria Ibrulj Claire Smith
Premises, Health & Safety	Claire Smith
Pupil Premium and Sports Premium	Anke Monestel
RSHE	Sophie McGeoch
Safeguarding/Child Protection	Louise Allen Sophie McGeoch
Wellbeing	Tom Lloyd

Each link governor role will involve visiting the school and meeting with staff leads (either in person or virtually) to understand how the strategic objectives are being embedded, how money is being spent and any particular issues affecting delivery. These roles always remain strategic and not operational.