

INFORMATION SHEET

COULD YOU BECOME A PARENT GOVERNOR?

A Parent Governor believes parents should have a say in matters affecting their children's education and has:

- ❖ An interest in all the children's future
- ❖ A desire to make a difference
- ❖ A willingness to accept responsibility
- ❖ An ability to work in a team and is happy to ask questions, listen and learn

and will:

- ❖ Visit and get to know the school and the people in it
- ❖ Work in partnership with the Headteacher to raise standards

A parent Governor is a representative not a parent delegate. A parent Governor does not have to vote in a particular way because they have been asked to do so by parents. Parent Governors represent and are elected by other parents.

Parent Governors:

- ❖ Help to decide the priorities for improving the school
- ❖ Will listen as well as they can to parents' opinions and take account of them as they contribute to Governors' decisions
- ❖ Work co-operatively with other Governors in the best interest of the school
- ❖ Attend the meetings of the Governing Body and its Committees
- ❖ Promote the interest of the school in the wider community
- ❖ Have an equal right to participate and to state their views whilst respecting the views of others
- ❖ Are loyal to the decisions made by the Governing Body
- ❖ Respect the confidentiality of those items of business that have been designated as confidential and do not disclose what individuals have said or how they have voted
- ❖ Withdraw from a decision from which he or she or a partner or close relative stands to gain or where he or she is too involved to be objective
- ❖ Have regard to the broader responsibilities as a Governor of a public institution in regard to promoting a public accountability for the actions and performance of the Governing Body
- ❖ Participate in training.

Declaration of Eligibility to Service as a School Governor

QUALIFICATIONS AND DISQUALIFICATIONS

- A governor must be aged 18 or over at the time of their election or appointment and cannot be a registered pupil at the school. A person cannot hold more than one governorship at the same school.

A person is disqualified from holding or from continuing to hold office as a governor or associate member if he or she:

- fails to attend the governing body meetings – without the consent of the governing body – for a continuous period of six months, beginning with the date of the first meeting missed (not applicable to ex officio governors);
- is subject to a bankruptcy restriction order or an interim debt relief restriction order;
- has had their estate sequestered and the sequestration order has not been discharged, annulled or reduced;
- is subject to:
 - i) a disqualification order or disqualification undertaking under the Company Directors Act 1986
 - ii) a disqualification order under Part 2 of the [Companies \(Northern Ireland\) Order 1989](#)
 - iii) a disqualification undertaking accepted under the [Company Directors Disqualification \(Northern Ireland\) Order 2002](#)
 - iv) an order made under Section 492(2)(b) of the [Insolvency Act 1986](#) (failure to pay under a County Court administration order);
- has been removed from the office of charity trustee or trustee for a charity by the Charity Commissioners or High Court on grounds of any misconduct or mismanagement, or under [Section 34 of the Charities and Trustees Investment \(Scotland\) Act 2005](#) from participating in the management or control of any body;
- is included in the list of people considered by the Secretary of State as unsuitable to work with children;
- is disqualified from working with children or subject to a direction under [Section 142 of the Education Act 2002](#);
- is disqualified from registration for child-minding or providing day care;
- is disqualified from registration under Part 3 of the [Childcare Act 2006](#);
- has received a sentence of imprisonment (whether suspended or not) for a period of not less than three months (without the option of a fine) in the five years before becoming a governor or since becoming a governor;
- has received a prison sentence of two-and-a-half years or more in the 20 years before becoming a governor;
- has at any time received a prison sentence of five years or more;
- has been fined for causing a nuisance or disturbance on school premises during the five years prior to or since appointment or election as a governor;
- refuses to allow an application to the Criminal Records Bureau for a criminal records certificate.

**DECLARATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM - to be retained by the Clerk to
Governors**

- Please complete sections A and B.
 - Please provide two proofs of identity (e.g. Passport/Driving Licence/Utility Bill/Bankers Card) to the Headteacher or Clerk to Governors who will complete and sign Section C

<u>SECTION A</u>	
<i>Having read and understood the disqualification criteria as listed, I declare that I am not disqualified from serving on a School Governing Body. If I become disqualified I will give notice of the fact to the Clerk of the Governing Body.</i>	
Signed:	Signature:

<u>SECTION B</u>	
Title:
Name:
Home Address:
Email Address:

<u>SECTION C</u>	Please indicate the nature of the proof seen:
Proof of Identity Two Forms Required	(1)
	(2)
Counter Signed by Headteacher or Clerk to Governors:	Signature:



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ELECTION OF PARENT GOVERNOR(S)

NOMINATION FORM

FRIESLAND SCHOOL

NAME:
(Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms)

ADDRESS:
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I have a child at the school and do not work at the school for more than 500 hours in any 12 month period and hereby nominate myself for election as a parent Governor of the school. I understand that if elected I will have to undergo a pre-appointment check. A personal statement (**100 words maximum**) for inclusion in the voting paper is given overleaf.

SIGNED:

SECONDED* BY: NAME:
(Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms)

ADDRESS:
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SIGNATURE:

***The seconder must be a parent of a pupil at the school.**





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PERSONAL STATEMENT:

(100 words maximum - any words in excess of 100 will be deleted)

Empty box for personal statement.

Your completed nomination form must be returned to the school office by Wednesday 9th October 2013 at 12 noon.

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