

Annex 3 – Delegations

Local Governing Committee: The Russett School

In this Annex the phrases used have the following meanings:

Consult: the individual/group that should be consulted as part of the process of completing a particular task.

Deliver: the individual/group that has responsibility for undertaking the particular task delegated to them and reporting on its delivery at suitable intervals. In the case of the CEO this will be at Trust level. In the case of the Head Teacher/Head of School this will be at Academy/School level.

Determine: the individual/group that has primary responsibility for ensuring the particular task is completed and determining how the Trust and/or Academies/Schools (as appropriate) should undertake the task including determining appropriate milestones and targets to be reported against.

Develop: the individual/group that has responsibility for developing proposals relating to a task for discussion and approval by the appropriate decision-making individual/group.

Recommend: the individual/group that should make recommendations as to how a particular task should be completed. In the case of (i) the CEO they will be making recommendations to the Board and/or LGC (as appropriate), (ii) the LGC they will be making recommendations in relation to their Academy/School to the Board, CEO and/or Principal (as appropriate) and (iii) the Principal they will be making recommendations in relation to their Academy/School to the CEO and/or LGC (as appropriate).

Report: the individual/group that has responsibility for reporting on the delivery of tasks. In the case of (i) the CEO/ they will be making reports to the Board and/or LGC (as appropriate), (ii) the LGC they will be making reports in relation to their Academy/School to the Board and/or CEO (as appropriate) and (iii) the Principal they will be making reports in relation to their Academy/School to the CEO and/or LGC (as appropriate).

Review: the individual/group that has responsibility for reviewing whether a particular task is being carried out satisfactorily and where appropriate requiring action to be taken to ensure task is delivered appropriately. In the case of (i) the Board they will be reviewing the CEO and/or LGC (as appropriate), (ii) the CEO they will be reviewing the Principal and (iii) the LGC they will be reviewing the Head Teacher/Head of School and his leadership team.

Comply: the individual/group will follow agreed policies and procedures.

To assist interpretation of the matters delegated the table below provides additional comment as appropriate.

	Trustees Directors	CEO	LGC	Head Teacher Head of School	
STRATEGY AND LEADERSHIP	Set strategic objectives of the Trust & Academies	Determine - for the Trust & Academies/Schools	Develop - in the case of the Academies/Schools in consultation with LGC & Head Teacher/Head of School	Recommend	Consult - in the case of their Academy/School
	Deliver strategic objectives of the Trust & Academies	Review	Deliver	Review	Deliver
	Scrutiny - review & challenge progress of the Trust against its strategic objectives and KPIs	Review - progress of the Trust & Academies	Report Review - reports from the LGCs/Head Teacher/Head of School	Review - progress of the Academy/School Report - progress to the CEO & Board	Report - progress of the Academy/School to the LGC
	Compliance: Funding Agreement - comply with all obligations including the Academies Financial Handbook	Review	Deliver	Comply	Comply
	Compliance: Regulatory - with all regulations affecting the Trust (including all charity law, company law, employment law and health and safety)	Review	Deliver Report - to Board	Review	Deliver Report - to LGC & CEO
	Compliance: Financial Oversight - ensuring that there are appropriate financial controls so that there is regularity, probity and value for money in relation to the management of public funds	Determine - policies to ensure compliance Review	Deliver Report - to Board	Review	Deliver Report - to LGC & CEO

		Trustees Directors	CEO	LGC	Head Teacher Head of School
STRATEGY AND LEADERSHIP	Compliance - completing the register of business interests and put in place a procedure to deal with any conflicts of interest and connected party transactions	Determine - policies to ensure compliance Deliver		Deliver	
	Appointments of Directors and Governors - ensuring processes in place for appointment of directors (including ensuring that the Directors and Governors have the skills to run the Trust and the Academies/Schools)	Determine - policies and criteria for the selection of Directors and Governors Review - the Board's own performance Review - performance of the LGCs	Report - to the Board on the performance of the LGCs Review - annually the size, structure and composition and skill Determines of LGCs Recommend - if appropriate changes to the size and composition of the LGCs	Review - procedures for the election of staff and parent governors of the LGC Review - own performance Skills audit - complete .Consult and propose.	Consult + Contribute.
	Appointment of Chair/Vice Chair to LGC	Determine - appointment and removal		Consult	
	Appointment of the Responsible Officer and Audit Committee	Deliver - appoint Responsible Officer and (if necessary) the Audit Committee	Deliver - the Responsible Officer role		
	Appointment of Clerk - Board and LGCs	Deliver - appoint the clerk to the Board & LGCs		Consult - in the appointment of the LGC clerk	

	Trustees/Directors	CEO	LGC	Head Teacher Head of School
STRATEGY AND LEADERSHIP	Policies - review and approval of Trust Wide Policies (including admissions, Disclosure Barring Service (DBS), charging and remissions policies, health & safety and safeguarding)	Determine	Deliver - presenting policies to the Board for approval Report - material non-compliance to the Board	Review - all policies approved by the Board and Academy/School specific policies Deliver - presenting Academy/School specific policies for approval by the LGC Report - non-compliance to the LGC and the CEO
	Prepare terms of reference for LGC's and Committees	Deliver Review - annually	Develop	
	Training programme for directors and governors	Deliver	Develop	Deliver
	Engagement with stakeholders	Determine	Develop/Deliver	Review

		Trustees Directors	CEO	LGC	Head Teacher Head of School
EDUCATION AND CURRICULUM	School/Academy Development Plan - for each Academy in line with strategic aims of the Trust	Determine - the Academy/School Development Plan in consultation with the appropriate LGC	Deliver - drafting and agreeing the Academy/School Development Plan	Recommend - Academy/School Development Plan to the Board	Work with the CEO in producing the Academy/School Development Plan Review - the Academy/School Development Plan
	Key Performance Indicators - setting and reviewing performance of the Trust & the Academies	Determine - Trust wide and Academy/School KPIs Review - performance against KPIs	Consult - with the LGCs and propose KPIs to the Board Receive reports - from the LGCs and report performance of the LGCs against KPIs	Recommend - targets for performance of the Academy/School to the CEO Review - performance of the Academy and report to the CEO Deliver - holding leadership to account for delivery against KPIs	Deliver - performance of the Academy/School against KPIs Report - performance of the Academy/School to LGC

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EDUCATION AND CURRICULUM	Quality of Teaching - ensuring appropriate levels of support, challenge and intervention to support delivery of education outcomes	Review - the work of the CEO	Deliver - supporting the Academies/Schools and intervening where appropriate	Review - at the Academy/School Report- strengths and concerns in the quality of teaching to LGC
	Curriculum - setting the curriculum for the Academies and reviewing its effectiveness	Determine - curriculum and standards Review - effectiveness of the curriculum across Trust	Deliver Recommend	Consult Review
	Pupil Premium - reviewing and challenging the value for money/ ROI of the Pupil Premium in terms of educational outcomes and narrowing the achievement gap	Review	Report - to Board effectiveness of use of the Pupil Premium across Trust	Determine & Review - how Pupil Premium is spent at the Academy/School

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EDUCATION AND CURRICULUM	Set admissions policy	Deliver	Develop		
	Admission decisions			Deliver	Consult
	Collective worship arrangements for school, without religious character			Review	Deliver
	Student issues (including attendance, exclusions, punctuality and disciplinary matters for each Academy)	Review	Review delivery	Receiving reports from the Head Teacher Head of School. Report any material issues to the Board and the CEO	Deliver - ensuring student issues are dealt with in accordance with Trust and Academy/School Policies Report - to the LGC on any material issues
	Academy Hours - setting the opening and closing times for the Academies	Determine - in consultation with LGCs		Consult - with the Board	Comply
	Term Dates and length of school day	Determine - in consultation with LGCs		Consult - with the Board	Comply
	School lunch - ensure provided to appropriate nutritional standards			Review	Deliver
	Provision of free school meals to those meeting criteria			Review	Deliver

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FINANCIAL	Funding Model - agreeing a funding model across the Trust and develop an individual funding model for the Academies) so as to the secure the Trust's financial health in the short term and the long term	Determine - in consultation with the LGCs	Recommend a funding model to the Board for approval Review	Consult - with the Board Review - compliance with the overall financial plan for the Academy/School	Comply
	Trust Annual Budget - formulating and setting the Trust wide budget	Determine	Deliver - on preparation of Trust budget and present to the Board for approval Review - submission of Trust budget to the EFA		
	Academy Annual Budgets - formulating and determining the proportion of the overall budget to be delegated to each Academy (including uses of contingency funds/ balances)	Determine	Deliver - on preparation of Academy/School budgets in consultation with the LGCs and present to the Board for approval Review - submission of Academy budgets to the EFA	Consult - with CEO in respect of the Academy's/Schools requirements Comply	Deliver Comply

	Trustees Directors	CEO	LGC	Head Teacher Head of School	
FINANCIAL	Expenditure and ensuring delivery of Annual Budgets	Review	Report - to the board any material issues with delivery against the Annual Budget by the Academies/Schools Receive reports - on matters of concern in connection with compliance with the Annual Budgets	Review Report - to the CEO any issues with expenditure or compliance with the Annual Budgets by the Academy/School	Report - to the LGC any need for any matters of concern in respect of the Academy's/School's annual budget
	Reporting: financial reporting and KPIs	Determine	Deliver	Review	Deliver
	Delegated Budgets and Finances - in the form of a scheme of delegation of financial authority to the Academies	Determine	Deliver - on recommending financial limits to the Board Review - effectiveness of limits	Review Delivery-Academy Comply - adherence to limits	Comply - adherence to limits

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FINANCIAL	Financial Policies -establishing of policies and procedures to ensure compliance with the Trust's financial and reporting requirements	Determine	Review - compliance with policies Report - any issues or non-compliance to the Board	Review delivery - compliance with policies Report - any issues or non-compliance to the CEO	Deliver - compliance with finance policies
	Approving annual accounts	Approve	Deliver - arrange for auditing and filing of annual report and accounts	Comply - by keeping proper records in respect of the Academy/School and providing such information to assist the Trust in preparation of the Annual Accounts	
	Corporate Risk Register	Review delivery	Deliver - management of corporate risk register	Review - Academy/School risk register	Deliver - management of Academy risk register
	Investments - agreeing the investment policy in line with the Academies Financial Handbook and any internal polices and controls	Determine and review delivery	Deliver		

		Trustees Directors	CEO	LGC	Head Teacher Head of School
HR AND OPERATIONS	Appointing the CEO/	Appoint			
	Appointing the Head Teacher/Head of School Deputy Head Teacher at each Academy/School	Approve -in consultation with the CEO/ LGCs Appointment of External Advisor	Recommend - sit on appointment panel along with [two] representatives of the relevant LGC	Recommend - [two representatives] to sit on the appointment panel with the CEO + External Advisor	
	Appointing of cross-Trust Staff (in line with recruitment policy)	Review	Appoint and report to the Board		
	Appointing Academy/School Staff			Appoint (in consultation with the Head Teacher/Head of School)	Recommend
	Establishing Trust wide HR Policies (including recruitment , discipline, capability, grievance and absence policies) in accordance with all appropriate regulations	Determine Review	Comply	Review	Comply
	Setting Appraisal Performance Management Policy together with pay reviews (in line with the Trust's pay policy and all statutory regulations)	Review - in respect of CEO Receive reports - in respect of appraisal arrangements and outcomes Review - any appeals in respect of the Head and cross academy staff	Review - in respect of HT/Head of School and cross Trust staff (and any appeals from Academy/School staff)Review - and Report - (annually) to the Board on appraisal arrangements outcomes	Assure - in respect of performance management of Head Teacher/Head of School Review - any appeals respect of all other staff	Review - in respect of all other staff Report - annually to the CEO/ on appraisal arrangements and outcomes

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HR AND OPERATIONS	Setting Terms and Conditions of Employment and Staff Handbook	Determine - and consider any proposals by LGCs to make amendments	Recommend	Consult - report to Board on any suggested changes to the Academy's/Schools terms and conditions	Comply
	Dismissing CEO, Head Teacher/Head of School, senior/cross Trust staff (in accordance with the Trust disciplinary and capability policies)	Review/Deliver - in respect of CEO/Head Teacher/Head of School	Review - in respect of Head Teacher/Head of school, cross academy staff and senior leadership teams of the Academies/Schools Report - any dismissals to the Board	Review - in respect of the Head Teacher/Head of School of the Academy/School	
	Dismissing all other staff (in accordance with the Trust disciplinary and capability policies)		Review Report - to the Board	Review/Deliver (in consultation with the CEO) Report - to the CEO	Comply
	Reviewing discipline and grievance policy	Review delivery	Recommend	Review - in line with Trust policy	
	Setting trust wide procurement policies (for suppliers including auditors, HR and payroll providers and solicitors) in accordance with the Funding Agreement, Academies Financial Handbook and the Trust's procurement policy	Determine	Deliver	Comply	Comply

		Director	CEO	LGC	Head Teacher Head of School
HR AND OPERATIONS	Setting academy specific procurement policies - in accordance with the Funding Agreement, Academies Financial Handbook and the Trust's procurement policy	Determine	Review	Deliver - in accordance with Trust policy	Recommend
	Determining and allocating central services provided to the Academies by the Trust	Determine (in consultation with the LGCs)	Deliver- on recommending the allocation of services to the Board	Consult	Consult
	Overseeing the effectiveness of services provided centrally by the Trust	Review	Deliver and report to Board	Report - to the Board	
	Asset and Premises Maintenance Strategy - determining use of Academies' premises and ensuring premises are adequately maintained	Determine - Trust wide policy	Recommend	Determine - academy/school plan in accordance with Trust policy Review delivery of academy/school plan	Deliver - in accordance with Academy policy
	Acquiring and disposing of Trust land	Deliver	Recommend		
	Changing use of Assets	Deliver		Recommend to the Board of any changes to fixed assets used by the Academy/School	
	Arranging insurance for the Trust	Review	Deliver		
	Media and PR - overseeing public relations activities to project the activities of the Trust and the Academies to the wider community	Review	Deliver - Trust wide activities	Comply	Comply

		Directors	CEO/	LGC	Head Teacher Head of School
HR AND OPERATIONS	Academy School Prospectus		Review	Deliver	Recommend
	Trust Prospectus and website	Review	Deliver		

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Trust Policies

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