

# THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS

**SELFLESSNESS.** INTEGRITY. **OBJECTIVITY.**  
**ACCOUNTABILITY.** **OPENNESS.**  
**HONESTY. LEADERSHIP.**

**Governor**

**Expression of Interest Form**

## REGISTERING AN INTEREST

Thank you for your enquiry regarding our vacancy on the Board of Governors at Sedgefield Hardwick. We are extremely fortunate to have such a wealth of enthusiastic and committed parents who have the desire to be part of the strategic leadership of the school.

### **The Board of Governors at Sedgefield Hardwick**

At Sedgefield Hardwick, the Board of Governors have created and uphold a culture of high expectations and aspirations. The strategic direction of the school draws upon understandings of local context and current National agendas. Learners are instilled with outstanding social and academic skills, are inspired to apply these skills through dynamic learning opportunities and are innovative and take the lead in directing their own learning.

The Board of Governors is a confident, cohesive and dynamic entity comprised of individuals who have the capacity, commitment and personal qualities to make Sedgefield Hardwick a key priority. Governors from diverse backgrounds (including both the public and private sectors) have advanced transferable skills which they actively contribute, ensuring the school retains its objectivity and has a broad and balanced perspective.

### **How to become a Parent Governor**

The Board of Governors would be grateful if you could complete the forms below to officially register your expression of interest. At this stage that if all you are required to do.

As stated in our advertisement, the closing date for expressions of interest is **Friday 4th March**. If on that date The Board of Governors have received expressions of interest from more than one parent, all candidates will then be issued with a nomination form from Durham County Council. The nomination form will give each candidate an opportunity to submit a statement to the Parent Body detailing skills, attributes and experience that would contribute to them becoming a successful Board member.

The Parent Body will receive each nomination and be asked take part in an anonymous vote to elect their representative to join the Board of Governors.

The full election process is managed by Durham County Council to ensure a fair and transparent process.

Once again, thank you for your enquiry and we look forward to receiving your expression of interest.

## BASIC INFORMATION

<b>TITLE</b>	Mr	Mrs	Miss	Ms	Other	
<b>FIRST NAME</b>						
<b>SURNAME</b>						
<b>PREVIOUS NAME(s)</b>						
<b>HOUSE NAME OR NUMBER</b>						
<b>ADDRESS LINE 1</b>						
<b>ADDRESS LINE 2</b>						
<b>TOWN/CITY</b>				<b>POSTCODE</b>		

<b>CONTACT NUMBER</b>		<b>MOBILE NUMBER</b>	
<b>EMAIL ADDRESS</b>			
<b>PREFERRED CONTACT</b>	Email	Telephone	

## EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES

Sedgefield Hardwick is committed to a policy of equal opportunities under the Equalities Act 2010. We are committed to ensuring that there is no unjustified discrimination in the recruitment and/or placement of our volunteers on the basis of age, disability, gender including transgender, race/ethnicity, or religion.

<b>GENDER</b>	Male	Female				
<b>AGE</b>	18-24	25-34	35-44	45-54	55-64	65+
<b>ETHNICITY?</b>			<b>RELIGION?</b>			
<b>DO YOU CONSIDER YOURSELF TO HAVE A DISABILITY?</b>						
Yes			No			

## EXPERIENCE, EMPLOYMENT AND EDUCATION INFORMATION

EMPLOYMENT STATUS	Employed	Self Employed	Student	Unemployed	Retired
MOST RECENT EMPLOYER					
JOB ROLE					

Please list below any:

- professional qualifications
- memberships of professional bodies
- voluntary positions held
- other significant experience either through employment or other additional information you would like to provide

Please outline why you feel your skills and experience would make you an effective governor :

## SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Please outline below why you would like to become a school governor:

## QUALIFICATIONS AND DISQUALIFICATIONS

Registered pupils cannot be governors.

A governor must be aged 18 or over at the time of his or her election or appointment.

A person is disqualified from being a governor of a particular school if they have failed to attend 75% meetings of the governing body of that school for an annual period, beginning with the date of the first meeting they failed to attend, without the consent of the Board of Governors. This does not apply to the Headteacher or to foundation governors appointed by virtue of their office.

A foundation, local authority, co-opted or partnership governor at the school who is disqualified for failing to attend meetings is only disqualified from being a governor of any category at the school during the twelve month period starting on the date on which they were disqualified.

A person is disqualified from holding or continuing to hold office if that person:

- is the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or an interim order, debt relief restrictions order, an interim debt relief restrictions order or their estate has been sequestrated and the sequestration has not been discharged, annulled or reduced
- is subject to a disqualification order or disqualification undertaking under the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986, a disqualification order under Part 2 of the Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 1989, a disqualification undertaking accepted under the Company Directors Disqualification (Northern Ireland) Order 2002, or an order made under section 429(2)(b) of the Insolvency Act 1986 (failure to pay under county court administration order)
- has been removed from the office of charity trustee or trustee for a charity by the Charity Commission or Commissioners or High Court on grounds of any misconduct or mismanagement, or under section 34 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 from being concerned in the management or control of any body
- 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 included in the list of teachers or workers considered by the Secretary of State as unsuitable to work with children or young people
- is barred from any regulated activity relating to children
- is disqualified from working with children or from registering for child-minding or providing day care
- is disqualified from being an independent school proprietor, teacher or employee by the Secretary of State
- has been sentenced to three months or more in prison (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 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 a request by the clerk to make an application to the Disclosure & Barring Service for a DBS certificate.

**PLEASE SIGN BELOW TO CONFIRM THAT YOU ARE NOT DISQUALIFIED FROM SERVING AS A SCHOOL GOVERNOR AND THAT THE INFORMATION YOU GIVE ON THIS FORM CAN BE RECORDED AND USED BY SEDGFIELD HARDWICKIN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DATA PROTECTION ACT. THE DATA ON THIS FORM WILL BE SHARED WITH LOCAL AUTHORITIES, SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES.**

SIGNATURE

PRINT NAME

DATE

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