



## Ruskin Community High School

### Notice of a meeting of the School Board of Governors to be held on 18 MARCH 2026 at 4:00pm Venue - School

#### AGENDA – PART ONE

|           | <b>Agenda Item</b>  | <b>Lead</b> |
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| <b>1.</b> | <b>Welcome and Apologies</b><br>To receive and consider apologies.  | Chair       |
| <b>2.</b> | <b>Conflicts of Interest, (pecuniary or otherwise)</b><br>a) Governors to declare any conflicts of interest with the business to be discussed at the meeting.<br>b) To ensure the completion of annual declarations.<br>c) To note who is updating the register of business interests on the school website; and Get Information About Schools.     | Chair       |
| <b>3.</b> | <b>AOB</b><br>To consider and agree any late items of business needed to be discussed in the meeting under agenda item 19.  | Chair       |
| <b>4.</b> | <b>Membership</b><br>a) To receive any changes to the membership of the board of governors.<br>b) To give consideration to any current vacancies in accordance with the constitution: 1 x Co-opted Governor<br>c) To note the following term of office is due to expire before the next meeting:<br>Mrs Debbie Jones – Co-opted Governor – 30.03.26 | Chair       |
| <b>5.</b> | <b>Approval of the minutes from the previous meeting.</b><br>FGB – 02.12.25   | Chair       |
| <b>6.</b> | <b>Matters arising from the above minutes / outstanding actions update</b><br>Review the Governors Action Log.  | Chair       |
| <b>7.</b> | <b>Chair’s Action</b><br>To receive a report from the Chair /Vice Chair on any decisions taken on behalf of the board of governors since the last meeting.  | Chair       |
| <b>8.</b> | <b>Part one reports from committees</b><br><br><b>To receive:</b><br>a) Minutes of committee meetings not previously received:  | Chair       |



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|            | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LME – 10.03.26</li> <li>• SDW – 11.03.26</li> <li>• TLA – 11.03.26</li> </ul> <p>b) To receive reports from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the link governor for SEND</li> <li>• the nominated governor for child protection/safeguarding</li> </ul>  |       |
| <b>9.</b>  | <p><b>FINANCIAL MATTERS</b></p> <p>a) To consider and <b>approve</b> the draft annual budget for 2026/27 (by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026)</p> <p>b) Review of Budget vs Actuals for the current year 2025/26 and progress against the 3-year budget plan.</p> <p>c) To review and approve the SFVS to be submitted 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026</p> <p>d) To set and evaluate the cost of the staffing structure for 2026/27</p> <p>e) To review and approve the Manual of Internal Financial Procedures (MIFP), or any changes to the manual, including approval of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business Continuity Plan</li> <li>• Asset Register</li> <li>• Scheme of Financial Delegation</li> </ul> <p>f) To review financial benchmarking results</p> <p>g) Confirm that authority to approve the final budget approval is delegated to the Finance Committee if summer FGB is after budget submission date. NB. Budget will still need to be ratified by the FGB.</p> <p>h) To monitor the spending and impact of the Pupil Premium Grant.</p> <p>i) To receive a copy of the annual accounts of the Unofficial School Fund and the audit certificate 2024/25</p> | SBM   |
| <b>10.</b> | <p><b>PART ONE HEADTEACHER’S REPORT</b></p> <p>To receive the Headteacher’s report and to discuss issues raised.</p>  | HT    |
| <b>11.</b> | <p><b>Year 11 update</b></p>  | ES    |
| <b>12.</b> | <p><b>School Development plan</b></p> <p>To receive an update on progress with the School Development Plan.</p>   | HT    |
| <b>13.</b> | <p><b>School External Advisor</b></p> <p>a) To receive the latest report from the external adviser and discuss its implications.</p> <p>b) To discuss the appointment of a new SIP for 26/27 academic year.</p>   | HT    |
| <b>14.</b> | <p><b>Strategic Governance – organisations and clerking arrangements for 2026/27</b></p>  | Chair |





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|            | All meetings to be held in the school.   |  |
| <b>21.</b> | <b>Impact Statement</b><br>How has the Board of Governors helped move the school forward in this meeting?<br>The core strategic functions defined by the DfE are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ensure clarity of vision, ethos, and strategic direction;</li><li>• Hold the Headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school;</li><li>• Oversee the financial performance of the school, ensuring value for money;</li><li>• Promote the highest possible standards for Safeguarding.</li><li>• Ensure that stakeholder voices are heard.</li></ul> |  |