

FINAL Minutes Local Advisory Board: PWS 27th September 2022 18.00 Meeting held virtually at Prince William School The first LAB meeting of the academic year 2022-2023

These minutes reflect the order of the agenda and not necessarily the order of discussion

Agenda item	Discussion	Action /
		Information
1. Present.	Liz Dormor (Headteacher)	
	Antony Kennedy (Deputy Headteacher)	
	Richard Fincher (Co-opted Governor / Chair)	
	Emma Tansley (Co-opted Governor / Vice-Chair)	
	Duncan Furey (Co-opted Governor)	
	Charlie Best (Observer left at 19.00)	
	Monica Juan (Head of Governance and Compliance)	
	Joshua Coleman (CEO: EMAT)	
	John Lawson (EMAT Head of Education)	
	Paul Osborne (Clerk – Minutes)	
	Introductions were made. PO reminded the board that all	
	items discussed at this meeting remain confidential until such	
	time as the minutes are approved and signed off.	
2. Apologies.	Apologies received and accepted from Charlotte Krzanicki	
z. Apologies.	(Parent Governor).	
	PO advised that Debbie Twigger (Co-opted Governor) and	
	Nigel Hunt (Parent Governor) have stepped down from the	
	board.	
	DT attended the start of the meeting at the request of the	
	governors. The governors and EMAT thanked DT for all of her	
	hard work and commitment and wished her all the best for	
	the future. DT left at 18.15.	
3. Quoracy.	The meeting was quorate.	
4. Declarations of interest.	There were no declarations of interest pertaining to this	
	agenda that had not already been declared on the annual	
	register of interests.	
5. Appointment of Chair	RF was unanimously appointed as Chair.	
and Vice-Chair.	ET was unanimously appointed as Vice-Chair.	
6. Minutes of the Academy	PO advised that due to the LAB and S&P meetings	
Local Board meeting held	amalgamating in 2022-2023 there are two sets of minutes for	
on 28h of June and the 18th	this meeting all subsequent meetings will have one set.	

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of July 2022 matters arising	The minutes of the meetings held on the 28th of June and	
not appearing under actions	the 18th of July 2022 were agreed to be an accurate	
	representation and signed by RF .	
7. Action Log from the	28 th June.	
meetings held on the 28h of	i. PW to share the school resource management	
June and the 18th of July	self-assessment dashboard document. PO actioned post-	
2022.	meeting.	
2022.	ii. MJ to share the latest stakeholder surveys. Done.	
	iii. 6th form lead to ensure communication to 6th	
	form pupils are clear as to where they should be	
	when not in lessons to minimise absence. The governors all	
	agreed to close this action.	
	<u>18th July.</u>	
	i. PO to diary for meeting 6 agenda an item for LD to give an	
	update on the Race Charter and the LGTBQ+ mark. Ongoing.	PO
	ii. PO to remind the governors to use the information in the	
	curriculum review report during their future visits and send	
	them a link to the curriculum review. Done.	
	iii. DF to attend the meetings with AK and the DA pupils and	
	parents to support them improve their attendance. Ongoing	
	DF confirmed a meeting is planned for the 7 th November.	DF
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8. Headteacher report to	i A lovel / CCSE results	
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include.	LD highlighted the following.	
i. A level / GCSE results	 Overall the results are good. 	
	• The key stage 5 results are broadly in line with 2019	
ii. Performance report	which was the last year of standard marked exams and	
	are at the top end of national averages.	
iii. Proposed offer for KS5	• The key stage 4 disadvantaged students' attainment	
	lower than previous years and a larger gap than in	
	previous 3 years – attendance and re-engagement	
	issues. The attainment of disadvantaged improved	
	over the year.	
	 During the final term, 37 key students from key stage 4 	
	were identified for staff mentoring. The progress of	
	these students from mock 2 to results = 0.58	
	(compared to 0.31 for all students). The monitoring for	
	this year's pupils will start after the October half term.	
	A governor asked if LD was happy with the attendance during	
	exams for both cohorts.	
	LD confirmed she was. There was support put in place for	
	GSCE pupils and parents to help achieve the encouraging	
	attendance figure.	



A governor noted that business and design were among the lower achieving subjects and asked if LD was confident these subjects will see an improvement in results in 2022-2023. LD advised that design has had some changes in course work and marking. The marking has been requested to be done again. This department will be a focus and will receive support, training and nurturing as required. For business LD went through some of the staffing challenges that partly led to the results.	
A governor asked if there is a new languages department head starting in January. LD confirmed there is and they have a lot of excellent ideas including visits and a curriculum review.	
 GSCE subject analysis. Art is below national, but improvements are expected in 2022-2023. Dance results were impacted by some of the cohort having some friendship issues during the year. The result – target (a progress measure) is positive. Accuracy of Predictions was very strong. 	
The governors noted the positive results especially when compared to 3-4 years ago.	
A discussion took place regarding the pupil intake into the 6 th form and how the 6 th form it is perceived by some pupils. The governors noted the 6 th form has improved greatly over the last 3-4 years and this is a credit to all involved. LD advised that the improvements warrant a review of the entry criteria. The plan is for a minimum of x 5 grade fives for	
A levels only and x 5 grade fours if the course is a mixture of A levels and BTEC. The governors thanked LD for the update and unanimously agreed to the criteria change and noted the importance of being an inclusive school.	
LD advised that in 2022-2023 the vast majority of the courses being run are A level with only one BTEC left to offer. In September there were 11 external pupils join the 6 th form compared to two in 2021.	
<u>ii. Performance report.</u> LD/AK highlighted the following.	



 Summer attendance not as high as expected and was partly due to the very hot weather. Attendance since September is up on last year and up against national. 	
 Current reasons for absence include CV-19 and general sickness. Update given on the pupils refusing to attend school or missing in education with some of these suffering from mental health issues which the school is supporting with as much as possible. To help with attendance an additional welfare officer has been recruited and will job share with the 	
attendance officer. A governor asked what the current guidance is for staff and pupils is who have CV-19. LD advised for staff they are advised to be off work for 5 days. Pupils officially can't be advised to be off school.	
A governor asked if there is data available to show the percentage of persistent absence pupils who are classed as disadvantaged. AK advised that it is to early to say, as the term progresses this data will be available.	
 A staff lock down was completed and the site team are investigating if there is a way to make the alarm more audible for all staff and investigating the use of other systems to help. 	
 <u>iii. Proposed offer for KS5.</u> LD highlighted the following. The courses we are proposing not be offer this year due to low number of students are Applied Science (BTEC), Fashion and Textiles (A level) and Travel and Tourism (BTEC). The proposed courses to be run in 2023-2024 was shared. 	
LD asked if the governors agree with the proposed courses. All of the governors confirmed they are.	
A governor asked for an update on the recent open evening. LD advised it was very well attended and the feedback received was positive including a parent who committed that	



	 the open event put her mind at rest regarding her child going into secondary school. A discussion took place if future open evenings should include half days. LD noted the suggestion. A discussion followed regarding the governor vacancies. 	
 9. SIP (School Improvement Priorities) i. SIP priorities to include governor visit windows and school contact details. ii. Academy Improvement Partners (AIP) details, and governors encouraged to attend especially the closing discussion concerning actions and next steps. 	 LD highlighted the following. i. SIP Priorities. To ensure that all students have access to an ambitious and well-planned curriculum, which promotes 'learning for life', is taught consistently well across all subjects, and enables all students to achieve well. To implement and monitor strategies which support students' mental health and wellbeing so that they have high attendance and engagement at school, develop greater resilience, and can achieve well. To ensure the 'Skills for Life' curriculum and the careers provision throughout the school is well-planned and sequenced so that students benefit from a rich, broad education which equips them to become successful, respectful adult citizens. To empower leaders to implement strategies which promote equality of opportunity for all (including those with SEND and EAL and those who are DA) and support the wellbeing of the whole community so that all can achieve their best. To implement a well-planned personal development programme for all 6th form students which supports their studies, their progress towards post-18 opportunities, and their development as young adults. ii. AIP visits. PO advised that he would give governors as much notice as possible of AIP visits. The governors can them contact the school if they want to attend the summoning up/next steps 	Reports on Teams
10. Constitution of Board:Allocation of Lead roles:i. SG (safeguarding), to link to SIP priority no 2. Yearly	 part of the visit. Allocation of lead roles. Safeguarding. ET. SEND. TBC. PP. DF. Remaining SIP priorities. 	

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schedule for monitoring	Quality of Education. RF.	
safeguarding on Teams.	Leadership (whole school). RF.	
ii CEND (Special	Sixth form leadership. CK TBC	
ii. SEND (Special	Behaviour and attitudes (& wellbeing). DF .	
Educational Needs and		PO
Disability) to link to SIP	PO to ask if another Trust schools SEND lead governor could	
priority 5	cover PWS until an appointment has been made.	PO
iii. Pupil Premium (PP)	PO to bring the missing lead areas to meeting 2 or 3 for a review.	
iv. Remaining SIP priorities.		
11. SEND Annual report	LD asked if the governors had any questions.	
2021/22 and action plan for		
information and questions.	The governors noted the detail in the report.	
	A governor noted the increase in pupils with EHCP and	
	complex needs in year 7 and asked what support the school	
	is receiving.	
	JC advised that the statutory legal responsibility to supply	
	funding is with the local authority. The funding though does	
	not always cover the funding required.	
	JC noted that the trust has.	
	 Separated the notional budget following on from governor feedback. 	
	• SENCOs no longer have any formal timetables which	
	allows them to fully focus on the needs of the pupils.	
	• A review is ongoing for the training TAs receive	
	including the use of the EMAT training hub.	
	LD highlighted the requirements of two pupils in year 7 and	
	the support they are receiving including a hoist being	
	installed into the toilets and additional ramps. These pupils	
	are being supported to ensure they feel fully engaged within	
	the school.	
	A governor asked how the year 7 pupils have started at PWS.	
	LD advised that they have settled in well and some resource	
	has been moved within the school to ensure this happened.	
12. Governor housekeeping	i. ii. iii.	
i. KCSiE. Governors to sign	PO advised that any governors still to complete this will be	
to confirm they have read	contacted directly.	
and understood the		
2022 version.	iv. PO advised that the focus areas coming out of the survey	
	relate to answers received for.	
ii. Declaration of Interest.		

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iii. Code of Conduct.	• I understand the purpose of governance and my role	
iv. Governor survey results	in the school system.	
and next steps	 The board engages regularly with the local 	
v. Updated governors visit	community.	
report	Some of the actions that have/will take place are.	
	Updated the governor website page to include more info	
	about governor's role. Post-meeting note done.	
	All governors to complete a pen portrait.	
	Governors to attend suitable events at school.	
	All governors still to do so send PO a headshot to go onto the	
	notice board at each school's entrance.	
	v. PO advised that the visit report has been updated to	
	incorporate the requirement for governors to view AIP	
	reports before they visit.	
	reports before they visit.	
13. New terms of reference.	The governors thanked EMAT for sharing this document and	
For information only	had no questions.	
14. Any other business	A governor asked if the trust has fixed their energy costs.	
	JC confirmed they have until 2023.	
	A governor asked if it is EMATs plan to meet the	
	government's recommended pay increase for teachers and	
	support staff.	
	JC advised it is although this will come out of the existing	
	budget as the government has not allocated additional	
	funding to cover this.	
	A discussion followed and it was agreed that all future	
	meetings will start at 17.00hrs. Post meeting note PO	
	actioned.	
15. Dates of meetings for	2022-2023 meeting dates.	Calendar
the year:	15/11/2022 18.00 PWS 2 Teams or school TBC	appointments have
	24/01/2023 18.00 PWS 3 In school	been sent
	07/03/2023 18.00 PWS 4 Teams or school TBC	
	25/04/2023 18.00 PWS 5 In school	
	13/06/2023 18.00 PWS 6 Teams or school TBC	
	18/07/2023 18.00 PWS 7 In school	

The meeting closed at 20.02



Cianatura	Minutes agreed as a true representation and signed	
Signature		
Print Name		
Date		

Actions from the virtual meeting for PWS held 27/09/2022

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