

Structure of Ripon Grammar School Board of Governors and Committees

The Board of Governors (Chair Elizabeth Jarvis) meets four times a year. It deals with major strategic decisions and major expenditure and receives a report from the headmaster at each meeting. It also receives reports from its committees to which appropriate core functions are devolved.

Admissions Committee (Chair Eric Medway) meets four times a year. It determines, annually, the number of places available for entry to Year 9 and Lower Sixth and monitors and approves admissions policies and procedures to ensure fairness and compliance with the DfE Admissions Code. It also monitors the procedures for Year 7 entrance, regulated by NYCC, and analyses entrance data.

Boarding Committee (Chair Chris Preece) meets twice a year. It supports and advises the Headmaster and staff in their leadership and management of the boarding houses. It monitors boarding quality, standards and practice and evaluates and approves strategic priorities for boarding.

Curriculum Committee (Chair Eric Medway) meets three times a year. It monitors all matters concerning the planning and development of the curriculum in its broadest sense. It also regularly monitors student progress and attainment in internal assessments and public exams.

Finance & Personnel Committee (Chair Ian Pringle) meets six times a year. It ensures sound management of the school's finances through regular reporting and analyses annual budgets before recommending them to the full board. It approves the school's staffing structure and monitors the staff pay policy, recommending changes to the full board. It also has a Staff Pay Subcommittee which considers and approves, or otherwise, the Headmaster's recommendations for all staff pay progression and undertakes the annual performance review of the Headmaster.

Pastoral Committee (Chair Tom Cavell-Taylor) meets three times a year. It monitors all pastoral matters for students and ensures that relevant child protection and safeguarding policies and procedures are in place. It discharges the functions of the board in relation to pupil exclusions and reviews the school's discipline policies periodically.

Premises Committee (Chair Steve Chaplin) meets three times a year. It monitors the condition of the school estate and advises the Board of the priority works that entail exceptional expenditure. It receives regular reports from the estates manager and discusses priorities with him and the Headmaster. It advises the Board about and closely monitors strategic developments of the school's estate.