

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY**

**HELD AT LINDAL & MARTON PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**ON MONDAY 22ND JUNE 2009**

Present: P Bishop; J Dalziel; T Dalziel; A Grace; L Phelps  
A Postlethwaite; V Smith.  
M Brown (from 8.00pm)

By invitation: M Batty

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T Dalziel took the Chair.

**86. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from S Fleming; C Humphreys and G White.

**87. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 11TH MAY 2009**

All Governors agreed that they were a true and correct record of the meeting.

**88. MATTERS ARISING**

**3.122 & 55.8 *Road Markings / Speed Limits***

With regard to the road markings and speed limits currently outside the school:

T Dalziel stated that he had not, as yet, been in contact with a Local Councillor or M.P. to try to gain their support for a reduction in the current speed limit. However, he would endeavour to make contact with Gary Thomas (Capita Symonds) as a follow up to previous communications between Mr Thomas and Mr Barlow.

T Dalziel went on to state that the Government are trying to pass a blanket change from speeds of 30mph in villages and towns to a speed limit of 20mph and felt that we may have to wait to get our way from this method as so far we haven't had much success from Capita.

**ACTION**

**TD**

**MATTERS ARISING** (Continued)

**53.2 *Policy of Financial Delegation***

Our “Policy of Financial Delegation” was presented at the FMSIS Audit on 26th February 2009 but not to the approval of the FMSIS Auditor and therefore needs updating.

**LP**

**63. *FMSIS Action Plan***

3.2a *School unable to carry out benchmarking data due to non-availability of data on website.*

L Phelps stated that she is to complete details for inclusion on website.

**LP**

**89. DECLARATION OF INTEREST**

The Chair requested that Governors declare any vested interest in any Agenda item, or, any amendment to their recorded ‘Declaration of Interest’.

There were none received.

**90. GOVERNOR ELECTIONS**

P Bishop’s term of office expires on 6th September 2009 and is, therefore, due for renewal. He was asked if he would like to continue in his role and he stated that he would be delighted unless there were any objections.

**All Governors agreed** that they would be very happy for him to continue and the Clerk said that she would notify Governor Support of his willingness to stay on as a Governor.

**M Brown arrives at 8.00pm**

**91. HEADTEACHER’S REPORT**

Copy of above circulated to all present and L Phelps read through it.

**92. BUILDINGS**

See Confidential Items.

**93. FINANCE REPORT / BUDGET UPDATE**

See Confidential Items

**94. GOVERNOR VISITS – UPDATE**

There were the following Governor visits:

- M Brown - Teaching of Recorders in Class 2.
- P Bishop - visited to listen to pupils' reading.
- He also attended on 5th June to discuss with the children about his childhood living in Portsmouth in the run up to D-Day.

**95. GOVERNOR TRAINING**

L Phelps said that our “Governor Development & Support Programme” was due for renewal at a cost of £299 per year, which covers all Governor Training Courses throughout the year. She asked Governors whether they wanted to continue with the support programme, or not.

**All Governors agreed** that this seems to be a large amount of money for something that may only be used a couple of times during the year and felt that our best option would be to pay for the courses as, and when, required.

**96. TEACHING ASSISTANTS’ REPORT**

The “Woodland Wonders” course on 8th June, was thoroughly enjoyed but all who attended.

See also Confidential Items.

**97. SCHOOL COUNCIL**

The School Council have now been elected, with the first meeting to take place in due course.

**LP**

**98. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

1) SCHOOL MOBILE PHONE

A Grace asked whether we should be looking into purchasing a School Mobile Phone. She felt that this would be useful as Parents could be informed of late arrivals/problems when pupils are on school outings etc. It would also eliminate the need for Teachers or Teaching Assistants having to use their own mobile phones.

**All Governors agreed** that this would be good idea and L Phelps said that she would look into purchasing a “pay-as-you-go” mobile phone.

**LP**

2) **SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT PLAN – QUESTIONNAIRE**

Every three years the Governing Body asks Parents to complete a questionnaire asking for feedback in relation to the school's performance and how they believe that improvements can be made. With this in mind, T Dalziel circulated a copy of 2005's questionnaire to all Governors present and asked if this could be used as the basis for this year's questionnaire to Parents.

**All Governors agreed.**

99. **CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**

See Addendum.

100. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday, 28th September, 2009; commencing at 7.00pm

The meeting closed at 8.45pm.