



### Academy Council - Statutory Information

1. **Name of Academy Council:** Walton Hall Academy

2. **Academy Council:**

Councillor	Number	Current Vacancies
Community	4	2
Parent	1	2
Staff (non-teaching/teaching)	1	0
Principal	1	0
<b>Total</b>		<b>7</b>

The Academy Council is composed of 7 councillors as listed above. The term of office for academy councillors of all categories is four years (with the exception of the Principal).

The Academy Council meets at least once a term. In order to function effectively and efficiently a substantial part of its work is delegated to two committees. These are:

- Standards
- Resources

Each committee meets at least once a term and in addition there are a number of committees that only meet when the need arises.

The Academy Council works very closely with the Principal in a positive and highly effective partnership. The Principal is the professional leader and chief executive of the school. They are responsible for the organisation, direction and management of the school, the leadership of staff and for all the activities, academic or otherwise, of the school.

The Academy Council at Walton Hall Academy has a vital role to play in making sure that each of its students receives the best possible education. In particular the Academy Council:

sets the school's vision and strategic aims, agreeing plans and policies, and making creative use of resources;

monitors and evaluates performance, acting as a critical friend to the Principal to support and challenge them in managing the school;

ensures that the school is accountable to the children and parents it serves, to its local community, the local authority, as well as to the staff it employs;

oversees the financial performance of the school and makes sure its money is well spent.

monitoring and evaluating the progress the school is making towards achievement of its aims and objectives.

The Academy Council also carries out a number of other important duties, which include:

- appointing and dismissing of staff;
- hearing appeals and grievances;
- setting standards for pupils' behaviour and discipline;
- making sure school buildings are welcoming and safe;
- setting and monitoring the school's aims and policies

Being an academy counsellor means giving time, energy and commitment. The role of a school academy counsellor is a voluntary position that is much valued within the education system. It is a position of importance and trust.

<b>Name</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>Date of Appointment</b>	<b>Term of Office</b>	<b>Appointed by</b>
Mitchell Gosling	Community Council Chair	27/02/2018	4 Years	Appointed by Academy Council
Chris Kenny	Community Council Vice Chair	10/03/2018	4 Years	Appointed by Academy Council
Julie Wood	Principal	20/09/2016		Co-opted
Laura Paget	Vice Principal	02/09/2020		Co-opted
Michala Bagnall	Support Staff representative	30/11/2020	4 Years	Appointed by Academy Council
Elizabeth Pohl	Community Councillor	24/09/2020	4 Years	Appointed by Academy
Cath Robinson	Staff representative	23/11/2020	4 Years	Appointed by Academy
Keith Winstanley	Community councillor	24/04/2020	4 Years	Appointed by Academy Council
Fiona Jackson	Parent	09/09/2020	4 Years	Nominated by parents
Brian Duffy	SET representative			
Simon Mosely	SET representative			

## Academy Councillor Appointments and Specific Responsibilities

<b>Role</b>	<b>Name</b>
AC Chair:	Mitchell Gosling
AC Vice Chair:	Chris Kenny
Clerk to Academy Council:	Angela Lunn
<b><u>Link Councillors</u></b>	
Safeguarding	Elizabeth Pohl
Teaching and Learning	Mitchell Gosling
Finance and HR	Chris Kenny
Health and Safety	Keith Winstanley
<b><u>Sub-Committee Chairs/Vice-Chairs</u></b>	
Chair of the <b>Standards</b> Committee	Mitchell Gosling
Vice-Chair of the Standards Committee	Cath Robinson
Chair of the <b>Resources</b> Committee	Chris Kenny
Vice-Chair of the Resources Committee	Elizabeth Pohl

### 3. Committee Structure

Terms of reference for all committees are available on request from the Clerk to Academy Council at the school.

Sub Committees:

<b>Academy Councillor</b>	<b>Standards (Chair – M. Gosling)</b>	<b>Resources (Chair – C. Kenny)</b>
Mitchell Gosling (Chair)	✓	✓
Chris Kenny	✓	
Julie Wood	✓	✓
Laura Paget	✓	✓
Elizabeth Pohl	✓	✓
Keith Winstanley		✓
Michala Bagnall	✓	
Cath Robinson	✓	✓
Brian Duffy		

### 4. Register of Pecuniary Interests 2020 - 21

<b>Academy Councillor</b>	<b>Details of Business Interest</b>	<b>Details of Personal Interest</b>	<b>Governance Role in other educational institution</b>
Mitchell Gosling	Nil	Nil	Nil
Chris Kenny	Nil	Nil	Nil
Julie Wood	Nil	Nil	Nil
Laura Paget	Nil	Nil	Nil
Elizabeth Pohl	Nil	Nil	Nil
Cath Robinson	Nil	Nil	Nil
Michala Bagnall	Nil	Nil	Nil
Keith Winstanley	Nil	Deputy chairman of an authority	Nil
Fiona Jackson	Nil	Parent	Nil
Brian Duffy	Nil	Nil	Nil
Simon Moseley	Nil	Nil	Nil



**Walton Hall Academy Council Meetings 2020/21**

<b>Walton Hall Full Academy Council Meetings</b>	Wednesday 9 December 2020	10 am – 12 noon	KS3 meeting room/TEAMS online To be confirmed
	Wednesday 28 April 2021	10 am – 12 noon	
	Wednesday 14 July 2021	10 am – 12 noon	
<b>Resource sub-committee meetings</b> To include: Budget Setting; Risk Management; Facilities Management; HR	Wednesday 23 September 2020	10 am – 12 noon	KS3 meeting room/TEAMS online To be confirmed
	Wednesday 20 January 2021	10 am – 12 noon	
	Wednesday 19 May 2021	10 am – 12 noon	
<b>Standards sub-committee meetings</b> To include: Monitoring; Attainment; Data; Admissions	Wednesday 21 October 2020	10 am – 12 noon	KS3 meeting room/TEAMS online To be confirmed
	Wednesday 3 March 2021	10 am – 12 noon	
	Wednesday 23 June 2021	10 am – 12 noon	