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Governing Body Update – 16.03.2022

The Governing Body Finance and Resources Meeting took place on Wednesday 16th March, in school.

Minutes of the February curriculum meeting were approved - these can be found on the school website along with previous meeting minutes.

As usual the meeting focused around the school vision: Learning to Live, Living to Love, Loving to Learn, with a particular emphasis on ensuring the school remains financially secure.

The bursar joined the meeting. Governors looked in detail at the latest budget monitoring report. Going forward the overall budget continues to look secure, if somewhat tight. There are areas of pressure, including rising energy costs, which we are all familiar with and staffing costs. The government has signalled an additional grant to help schools offset these costs, although the details of this are, at the time of writing, not clear.

Governors discussed the school meal budget and measures to ensure that the service continued to have a good uptake of children and remains financially viable for school, and parents. Mr Whitehead is to have further discussions, including with parents and feedback to governors. Governors are keen to see a continued strong school meal offer.

Arrangements for the auditing of 'voluntary' funding were agreed.

Governors approved the School Financial Value Standard return, a checklist which helps ensure that the school is managing its resources effectively, and noted the latest financial benchmarking report, which compares school finances with other schools with similar characteristics.

Governors then heard an update from Mr Whitehead on the school premises, including recent work in the kitchen, the catering assistant position and the appointment of the new caretaker.

Mr Whitehead also updated governors on a number of recent school initiatives, including First Aid training for the children, the Day for Ukraine, and, on a lighter note, the Shrove Tuesday fun day.

The latest versions of the Business Continuity Plan and Lockdown procedures were approved including the agreed arrangements in the event of an emergency situation.

The meeting concluded with an update on the appointment process for the new vicar, for the combined Kildwick, Cononley and Bradley parish, and arrangements for candidates for the position to learn about the work of the school.

Further information on the work of the governing body can be seen on the school [website](#)

John Perry - Chair of Governors