

## Minutes of Academy Working Party Meeting

Date: 8.00am 28<sup>th</sup> June 2018

Attendees: Jill Augustin  
Mary Wilson  
Katherine Bromley  
Gabriel Gottlieb  
Jennifer Smith  
Carol Carroll

Governors compiled a list of questions to ask other schools in REAch2 MAT. GG has arranged a meeting with the Head teacher at Woodside Academy and MW will contact COG and HT at Chapel End School.

Action: GG to email questions to MW

CC has emailed Anna Jackson, Finance REAch2, for further information relating to the provision of central services.

Governors will review REAch2 accounts and their reserves policy.

Action: MW to liaise with Governor Services with regards to publishing 10 May 2018 FGB minutes in draft form, in order to aid transparency.

Governors noted that some responses had been received to the consultation and the Working Party would work to update FAQs on the school website. Governors noted that, in their next communication, they should confirm that responses to questions would be via the FAQ on the website and not individually.

Governors to notify parents/carers of the consultation meeting at 10.00am on 5 July 2018. Governors discussed the format of the meeting.

Governors agreed to continue due diligence:

- Gathering more information about REAch2 finances and their core offer
- Gather further reassurance around the level of financial control of our budget
- Confirm the REAch2 position on the recruitment of unqualified teachers.
- Quality REAch2 position of Handsworth's reserves

Action: JA to inform staff that Sir Steve will be available to meet with staff between 12.00 – 2.00pm on Thursday 5.7.18 to answer any questions or concerns.

Action: Governors agreed not to respond to emails sent to personal email accounts or contacts through social media. All stakeholders have been advised to use [Governors@handsworth.waltham.sch.uk](mailto:Governors@handsworth.waltham.sch.uk)

Action: Governors to provide a communication to parents to deliver some headline messages from the consultation responses.

Action: Governors to communicate more clearly alternative options considered.

Action: provide date/time for evening consultation meeting as soon as REAch2 has confirmed availability

Meeting closed at 12.00