



The Aldgate School  
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## **Information for prospective local authority governors**

### **The role of the governing board**

The school's governing board is responsible for providing confident and strategic leadership, and creating robust accountability, oversight, and assurance for the school's educational and financial performance. The board is passionate about education and committed to continuous school improvement to ensure the best possible outcomes for all our pupils.

### **The role of a governor**

As a school governor, you'll work with the board to make sure it effectively carries out the duties referred to above. You'll play a vital role in bringing your own perspective to the governing board, but you're not there to speak 'on behalf' of the local authority.

To be a governor you should have:

- A strong commitment to the role and to improving outcomes for all children
- Good inter-personal skills, curiosity, and a willingness to learn and develop new skills
- The ability to commit time to the role, including during the working week.

### **Expectations of governors**

A full description of the role school governor can be found on the National Governance Association [website](#). At our school, governors:

- Attend 7 meetings each year, usually held on a Tuesday or Wednesday in term-time, from 4pm-6pm.
- Visit the school termly to gather evidence of school improvement
- Undertake regular training to ensure they have relevant and up-to-date skills and knowledge.

### **More information**

If you are interested in applying for one of the vacancies but want to find out more about the role first, our Chair of Governors, Matt Piper, will also be happy to meet any prospective candidate to explain more about the role ([chair@thealdgateschool.org](mailto:chair@thealdgateschool.org)).

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*Faith, hope and love abide, these three: and the greatest of these is love.*