## Join Us in Shaping the Future of Chew Valley School!

Are you passionate about the Chew Valley community — perhaps a proud alumnus, parent, or local resident? Do you want to make a real difference while developing your own skills and professional experience?

We're looking for committed and enthusiastic individuals to join our Local Governing Body. As a governor, you'll play a key role in supporting our students, staff, and wider community — helping to shape the direction and success of our school.

Our strength lies in the diversity and passion of our community, and we're eager to welcome new voices and perspectives. If you care deeply about education and want to contribute your time, ideas, and expertise, we'd love to hear from you!

**Location** Chew Valley School. Chew Magna, Bristol BS40 8QB. **Start Date** Immediate

The Local Academy Committee has up to 12 members comprising of two Parent Governors, a Staff Governor and other members recruited for their skills, knowledge and experience. Collectively it holds school leaders to account and monitors performance in a number of key areas, in particular standards, safeguarding, Special Educational Needs and stakeholders, and it reports directly to the Lighthouse Schools Partnership Multi Academy Trust.

The Committee meets 6 times a year (once per term) in the school library, currently at 6pm - 8pm Wednesday evenings. A full induction programme and governance training is provided. As well as attending the meetings, a commitment of around 1.5-2 hours should be allowed to read the papers and to prepare for each meeting. Further time would be needed to complete training and to attend any panel meetings that may be required. Panel meetings take place during the working day and last approximately 2 hours with pre reading ahead of time.

All of our governors are volunteers and donate their time and skills to support and guide the Academy in its pursuit of school improvement. Governors are imperative to the Academy and we value the governing body greatly.

## **How to apply**

If you are interested, please submit a personal statement (maximum 250 words) outlining why you wish to join the Local Governing Body and what skills and experience you would bring to the role. You will also need to complete a declaration form.

Applications should be submitted via the Microsoft Form linked <u>here</u>. The deadline for submissions is **Sunday, 7th December 2025**.

This is an interesting, rewarding role and an opportunity to gain insight and experience in strategic leadership and governance. If you have any questions please contact Natalie Lane, Clerk to the Governors nlane@chewvalleyschool.co.uk