## THE HAILEYBURY ACADEMY TRUST

## (A Company Limited by Guarantee)

Registered number: 09659808

## GOVERNANCE STATEMENT SCOPE OF RESPONSIBILITY

As Trustees, we acknowledge we have overall responsibility for ensuring that The Haileybury Academy Trust has an effective and appropriate system of control, financial and otherwise. However such a system is designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve business objectives, and can provide only reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss.

The Board of Trustees has delegated the day-to-day responsibility to the Principal, as Accounting Officer, for ensuring financial controls conform with the requirements of both propriety and good financial management and in accordance with the requirements and responsibilities assigned to it in the funding agreement between The Haileybury Academy Trust and the Secretary of State for Education. They are also responsible for reporting to the Board of Trustees any material weaknesses or breakdowns in internal control.

## **GOVERNANCE**

The information on governance included here supplements that described in the Trustees' Report and in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities. The Board of Trustees has formally met 4 times during the year. Attendance during the year at meetings of the Board of Trustees was as follows:

Trustee	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
Dr L Pugsley	4	4
Mr I Richardson	3	4
Mr R Matcham, Chair of Trustees	4	4
Mr J Giesen	4	4
Mr N Taylor	2	4
Mr D McKendrick-Ness	4	4
Mr S Boyden	0	0
Mr D Kilgallon	4	4
Mrs E Pope	3	4
Mrs K Farrell-Hall	0	0
Mr S Westley	4	4
Mr M Radley	4	4
Mr M Collier	3	4
Mrs R Rissen	2	3
Mr R Whitaker	0	0
Mr S Campbell	0	0

There have been no significant changes in the composition of the Board of Trustees. The main constraints discussed during the year were relating to the age and condition of the buildings which presents risk around increased maintenance costs and also financial constraints.

The full governing body and committee terms of reference were reviewed at the beginning of the year and amended where appropriate to reflect their scope and work.

The Finance and Resources Committee (F&RC) is a sub-committee of the main Board of Trustees. Its purpose is to address financial matters. There is no seperate audit committee. The F&RC Committee will interrogate the accounts, meet the Auditors, request any changes that they consider to be reasonable and justifiable and then recommend to the Board of Trustees that the accounts are approved.

Attendance at meetings in the year was as follows:

Trustee	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
Mr A Bradley, Chair of Finance	5	5
Mr I Gaskell	4	5
Mr D McKendrick-Ness	3	5
Mrs E Pope	3	5
Mr R Matcham	5	5