

The ethos of the Governing Body and of JSTC is centered on supporting the students to have the highest of aspirations for their future and to provide them with many opportunities to succeed.

As Governors of JSTC we are responsible for overseeing the management side of the school: strategy, policy, budgeting and staffing, including the appointment and management of the Headteacher to ensure standards are maintained at a high level.

We enable the school to run as effectively as possible, working alongside senior leaders and supporting teachers to provide excellent classroom teaching and a high quality of educational offering to students of all abilities. We are committed to the school community, acting as critical friends to the Headteacher and senior leaders. By challenging and asking questions about the school's performance data, and rationale for decision making the governors aim to guarantee high standards.

Our Governing Body is the key strategic decision maker in JSTC. Along with the Headteacher, it is the role of the governors to set the school's aims and objectives around how the school will develop and improve. We set the policies, formulate plans and agree targets to help the school achieve these objectives. We also regularly review the strategic framework in light of that progress.

As an outward facing school, we recognize the benefit to being a member of the National Governors Association and comply with The Academies Financial Handbook over the financial running of the school. Regulatory information is maintained on sector specific databases at Companies House and 'Get Information About Schools' (GIAS).

To exercise our roles as governors and use the wide expertise available, the full governing body delegates responsibility to a number of sub - committees, the details of which are in the links panel, but as an overview the committees are:

Finance, Buildings and Audit Committee

Strategic, Standards, Students and Curriculum Committee

Personnel Committee

JSTC governors are committed to parental and community engagement and try to work with local stakeholders for the good of the town of Alford and the wider community. There is always a minimum of two parents who sit on the Governing Body. Presently, there are four governors who are parents of students who attend the school.

If you wish to make contact with the Governing Body then we would be happy to hear from you; please contact Mr J Treasure, Clerk to the Governing Body via the Governors contact email address: governors@jstc.org.uk