



Local Governing Body Annual Report 2025-26 September 2026

Welcome from the Chair

2025-26 has been another successful year for Culverhill School. Governors have supported and challenged school leaders to maintain high standards of education, safeguarding and wellbeing while preparing/ for future growth. We remain proud of our pupils, staff and families and their commitment to Inspire, Nurture and Thrive.

2025-26 at a Glance

- Strong attendance, above national averages for special schools.
- Positive parent survey results with high engagement.
- Continued strong teaching and learning.
- Growth in demand for places and planning for an additional Year 7 class.
- Stable staffing and investment in leadership development.
- Expansion and strengthening of the Governing Body.

1. Quality of Education

Governors monitored pupil progress, curriculum delivery and school improvement throughout the year. Teaching and learning remained strong, with our holistic curricula fully embedded and pupils continued to make positive progress across academic and personal development outcomes.

2. Staff Development and Wellbeing

Staff retention remained high and wellbeing continued to be positive. Professional development, coaching and leadership opportunities supported staff at all stages of their careers while strengthening leadership capacity for the future.

3. Engaging with Parents and Carers

Parents and carers remained highly engaged through events, parents' evenings, surveys and reviews. Feedback was overwhelmingly positive and the school continued to develop communication and opportunities for family involvement.

4. Safeguarding and School Standards

Safeguarding remained the Governing Body's highest priority. Attendance remained strong, behaviour was positive and leaders continued to provide exceptional support to pupils and families despite increasing demands on external services.

5. Risk Oversight

Governors reviewed strategic risks including finance, workforce capacity, safeguarding pressures, cyber security and increasing demand for specialist placements. The school remains financially stable and well positioned for future development.

6. Supporting Enable Trust

School leaders and governors contributed to Trust-wide improvement work, governance development and collaboration, helping to share expertise and strengthen outcomes across Enable Trust.

Looking Back and Looking Forward

The school has enjoyed another successful year with strong pupil outcomes, positive family feedback and stable staffing. Governors have strengthened monitoring arrangements and expanded membership, providing a strong foundation for continued improvement and growth in 2026-27.



Neta Roylance-Smith,
Chair of Governors,
September 2026

Governance in 2025-26

Governor	Catagory
Chris Walker	Head Teacher
Neta Roylance-Smith	Chair, Local Governor
Margrielle Blake	Vice-Chair, Parent Governor
Jackie Powney	Staff Governor
Claire Evans	Staff Governor
Santie Human	Local Governor
Gary Williams	Local Governor
Pauline Berndes	Local Governor