



Term 3 - Minutes of the meeting of the Full Governing Body: 9th February 2026 Summary for staff & families

A meeting of the Full Governing Body of Little Hayes and Speedwell Nursery Schools Federation was held on Monday 9th February 2026 @ 4pm. Full minutes of the meeting are available on request.

Governors heard about and discussed the following:

- Updates to the federation's governance plan, including how governors can better support and monitor the work of the nurseries.
- The new support package offered by the Local Authority for Early Years settings and what this means for staffing and future planning.
- How governors can help strengthen staff wellbeing, confidence and professional development.

Governors agreed:

- To reappoint Kairen Smith as a co-opted governor and to continue her role as Lead Governor for SEND.
- To set up a small working group to look closely at changing demand for nursery places and how to plan sustainably for the future.

Governors thanked:

- All staff for their positive engagement in recent professional wellbeing and supervision training.
- The SEND practitioner and SENDCo for making such effective use of the new Acorn nurture space at Little Hayes.
- Everyone contributing to safeguarding, including the new Deputy DSL at Little Hayes, for strengthening support for children and families.

Governors intend to:

- Create a clear timetable so staff with lead responsibilities know when they can share updates directly with governors.
- Increase governor visibility within the school community before adding governor-related questions to the parent/carer survey later in the year.

Governors are looking to appoint a new parent governor and several co-opted governors. Parents, carers and extended family members or friends of the nurseries are welcome to apply. Find out more and download the relevant documents here: <https://littlehayesandspeedwellnurseryschools.co.uk/about/governors/>

Or contact the Chair of Governors chair.LHSF@bristol-schools.uk if you would be interested to know more or know someone you believe would be interested in joining the governing body and helping with the continued improvement of our schools.

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