

Education South West

Scheme of Delegation

The Board, together with the CEO who fulfils the statutory function of Accounting Officer, has ultimate accountability and responsibility for all aspects of the schools in the Trust. The Board delegates aspects of its responsibility in accordance with the following principles:

- 1. The overriding aim of working together to build great schools is best achieved by each school developing its own individual identity and ethos within the overall framework, policies and ethos of the Trust.*
- 2. Responsibility is delegated in accordance with the ability of the school and its staff to meet the Trust's expectations. The Scheme of Delegation can be adjusted by the Board for any individual school. Those to whom responsibility is delegated exercise that authority in line with good leadership practice, consulting with and keeping informed other staff and governors as appropriate.*
- 3. Wherever an authority is held by the Board, it is assumed the relevant Executive Officer undertakes the necessary preparatory work, and likewise the Principal or other Executive Officer carries out that work for the LGB*
- 4. Those to whom responsibility is delegated exercise that authority in line with good leadership practice, consulting with and keeping informed other staff and governors as appropriate.*

This Scheme of Delegation should be used in conjunction with policies, committee terms of reference and job descriptions

Body to whom responsibility is delegated	
Body that must be consulted as a minimum, bearing in mind best leadership practice to involve all appropriate bodies when making decisions	

