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# **CHECKLIST OF INFORMATION**

## FOR MEMBERS OF GOVERNING BODIES

All members of governing bodies should have the following information:

- The school's instrument of government as required by law.
- The relevant edition of the DfE publication, School Governors A Guide to the Law (together with updates as and when they are written. The most updated version is always available on the DfE website)

### In addition it is useful to have:

- A list of the members of the governing body, giving name, type of governor (parent, teacher etc), date of appointment and (if agreed) telephone number.
- The governing body's agreed procedures or standing orders.
- A list of the committees and working parties of the governing body with membership and terms of reference.
- A calendar of governing body and committee meetings; school terms and school holidays and major school events for the current year.
- A copy of the staffing structure of the school, showing names of teachers and other staff, subjects taught and other responsibilities.
- The school's current improvement plan, or summary if one exists.
- The most recent inspection reports on the school, with the action plan for school improvement.
- A list of statutory and non-statutory policies adopted by the governing body and information on how
  copies of these may be obtained.

## For New Governors:

- The minutes of the two most recent meetings of the governing body.
- A plan of the school, if available.
- The name of a suggested "mentor", if the governing body has adopted such a system of support for new governors.