

**GOVERNING BODY OF  
NORBURY MANOR BUSINESS AND ENTERPRISE  
COLLEGE FOR GIRLS**

**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON**

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2016 at 6.15 pm**

**Membership:**

Mary Turner (Chair)	(MT)
Jane Chandler*	
Amanda Compton	(ACP)
Navpreet Gallimore*	
Patrick Harris	(PH)
Ken Hume*	
Aisha Hussain	(AH)
Mohammed Iqbal*	
Maria Miller	(MM)
(* absent)	

**In attendance:**

Isabelle Hamilton-Bower (Member of Trust)	(IHB)
Marian Hamilton (Member of Trust)	(MH)
Julie Ralphs (Member of Trust)	(JR)
Roger Lowe, Clerk to Governing Body	(RL)

MT explained that this meeting had been called solely to address the Governing Body's position as regards multi-academy trusts. Given that the decisions in this area could make a fundamental difference to the nature of the Academy Trust as currently constituted the members of the trust had been invited to join the discussion.

The issue of MATs had been discussed at the previous two Governing Body meetings and at the development day in January, resulting in the Governing Body supporting further exploratory work with potential partners. Some important decisions now needed to be taken.

ACP reminded members that the Governing Body in November 2015 it had been resolved to support the development of a sponsorship application which included an intention to work across the primary and secondary sectors but specified a close geographical area. She thanked members for checking and returning their personal information in relation to the application process and hoped to be in a position to submit this in the near future. Governors would receive a copy of the application when it was complete.

ACP summarised discussions at recent meetings of partner Primary Schools and reminded members that a further meeting was scheduled to take place on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June.

The meeting focused on completing a SWOT analysis of the three options for NMBEC: to remain as a standalone academy trust, to join an existing MAT or to seek to form a MAT in its own right.

The SWOT analysis attached with these minutes provides a summary of the discussions.

The Governing Body unanimously resolved: **To support the Chair and Headteacher in pursuing discussions with local schools with the intention of creating a multi-academy trust comprising schools (potentially both Primary and Secondary) which share the same values and principles and offer geographical and educational coherence.**

**Signed:**

**Date:**