

OPEN MINUTES OF CORPORATION MEETING
Monday 13 October 2025 at 17.30

Bexhill 6th Form College

Present:	John Stebbing (Chair) Michael Beard Debbie Cole (Staff Governor) Mike Groves Karen Hucker (Principal) Linda Johnson David Kelly Dave Padmore Veronique Pullen Sam Rhodes Mpanji Simfukwe
In Attendance:	Dave Brown (VP) Elisabeth Lawrence (VP) Natalie Perry (DoF)
Minutes:	Jo Pentland (Clerk to the Corporation)
Apologies:	Stephen France

STANDING ITEMS**NOTIFICATION OF ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

There was none.

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

No new Declarations of Interests were made in respect of items on the agenda.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Open Minutes of the Corporation meeting held on 7 July 2025 were agreed as correct.

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

There was none.

MAIN AGENDA**PART A PUBLIC ITEMS****1. COMMITTEE MINUTES FOR NOTING**

The Open minutes of the Search Committee meeting held on 23 September 2025 were included in Corporation pack and the following items were highlighted:

- **Re-appointment of Members:** The Search Committee recommended to the Corporation the re-appointment of two Corporation members. They also noted that one member had decided not to seek reapproval at the end of their current term of office. (confidential note)
- **Search Committee Annual Report** – the Search Committee Annual Report, which had been produced as a result of a recommendation from the External Board review, was received and noted by the Corporation.
- **Governors' Handbook 2025/26** – the annual updated Governors' Handbook was received and noted by the Corporation.

- **External Board review action plan** – the Corporation noted that all actions had now been completed with the exception of action 11 re training/development which was ongoing and would be discussed with Chairs and Vice Chairs for their comments/views.
- **Corporation self-assessment report** – The Corporation received and noted the results of the Corporation self-assessment report which was overall very positive.

2.COMMITTEE REPORTS – ITEMS FOR CORPORATION APPROVAL

- **Code of Conduct** – the Search Committee made minor amends to the previous version of the Code of Conduct and recommended to the Corporation the approval of the revised Code of Conduct. The Corporation approved the version to be dated October 2025.
- **Association of Colleges (AOC) - Code of Good Governance** – The Search Committee recommended that the Corporation adopted the AOC Code of Good Governance. Following discussion the Corporation adopted the AOC Code of Good Governance.

3.ANY OTHER NOTIFIED OPEN BUSINESS

Due to a technical issue the Academic Progression Programme video was unable to be shown so it was agreed that it would be rescheduled for the Corporation meeting on 8 December 2025.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Corporation was Monday 8 December at 17.30