

# DIOCESE OF BRENTWOOD

## Foundation Governor Vacancies

We are looking to identify new Foundation Governors and Directors for our Catholic schools and academies across the Diocese of Brentwood. We are seeking expressions of interests from practising committed Catholics for this role and ministry. Foundation Governors are personally appointed by the Bishop to Diocesan schools to represent his interests and those of the Catholic community as a whole.

Vacancies for Foundation Governors have arisen at a number of Catholic schools across the Diocese and expressions of interests are being sought from practising committed Catholics for the ministry.

The term of office is for four years from the date of appointment.

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The Governors of a Catholic school work as a team, in close co-operation with the headteacher and all the staff. Foundation Governors share the responsibilities of all governors:

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- Holding the headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils, and the performance management of staff; and
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

In addition to this, foundation governors are appointed specifically to ensure:

- that the religious character of the school is preserved
- that the school is conducted in accordance with its trust deed
- that the religious education curriculum is in accordance with the Bishop's policy for this Diocese

Our schools would benefit from people with a range of skills and experiences including Finance, Education, Special Needs, Legal and Administration.

Anyone interested in the role and mission of foundation governor should not be put off by a lack of experience. Appropriate training is available during the period of service.

Please could you send your CV to [sophierussell@dioceseofbrentwood.org](mailto:sophierussell@dioceseofbrentwood.org)

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