

27 June 2019

Dear Parent

I wish to inform you that in line with Diocesan policy, at the point of conversion to an academy, the Governing Body of a voluntary aided school ceases to exist as a body. The Trust board of Northern Saints Catholic Education Trust then has the responsibility, in consultation with the Diocese, to establish a Local Governing Committee for the school. In schools that are deemed as vulnerable, an Interim Advisory Board may be established in the place of a Local Governing Body.

I am writing to inform you that the Governing Body of Our Lady of Rosary CA Primary School was dissolved on 30 April 2019.

In consultation with the Director of Education of the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle, and in line with Diocesan policy, a decision has been made by the Directors of Northern Saints Catholic Education Trust to establish an Interim Advisory Board (IAB) for Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Primary School rather than a Local Governing Committee. In line with the Scheme of Delegation, the Directors of Northern Saints Catholic Education Trust will retain overall strategic decision making for the academy. The IAB will undertake the governance of the school and will challenge and support the Headteacher and Leadership team in order to make improvements to the school.

Membership of the Interim Advisory Board will be:

- Carolyn Duffy, Chair of Interim Advisory Board (Foundation Director of Northern Saints Catholic Education Trust)
- Simon Marshall, Director of Northern Saints Catholic Education Trust
- Nick Conway, Foundation Governor
- Father Sean Neylan, Foundation Governor
- Geraldine Kilgour, Foundation Governor
- Julie Hind, Governor
- Chris Reynolds, Governor

On behalf of the Directors of Northern Saints Catholic Education Trust I would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your continued support to Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Primary School.

Yours Faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "P. Melia". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'P'.

Patrick Melia, Chair of the Board of Directors of Northern Saints Catholic Education Trust