

The Fields Nursery School

Federation Report for 2020/21

Actions taken by the Governing Body in discharge of their functions prior to federation

An approach was made to Cambridge Nursery Federation, following a Governing Body meeting where this was agreed to be the best way forward to ensure future viability for the nursery.

Consent was given by CNF, and subsequently proposals were published jointly to all interested parties, including parents, for their comments.

Following the consultations, it was determined that the federation would proceed, and the Local Authority was informed. A worker employed by the LA was then appointed to work with both Governing Bodies, in order to support and guide the process. A series of workshops attended by both Chairs of Governors, both Heads of Nurseries (Acting Head at The Fields) and LA representatives were agreed. Outcomes would then be reported back to both GB's.

The Covid19 pandemic, and the subsequent lock-downs slowed down this process, and the proposed date for federation, initially September 2020, was delayed by agreement of all parties to April 2021.

Both Governing Bodies met in March '21, and both unanimously agreed the composition of the new federated governing body. Both sets of GB minutes were then forwarded to Governor Services.

A new Instrument of Government was then prepared by Governor Services, and authorised on 26th March '21 to begin from 1st April 2021.

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