

In 2017, Arthur Mellows Village College became the joint driving force behind the Four Cs Multi Academy Trust (MAT) and out of that, the Local Governing Committee (LGC) evolved. We are the eyes and ears of the MAT and we monitor whether the College is working within agreed policies, is meeting the agreed targets and is managing its finances well. Our main areas of focus are Curriculum and Standards, and Students and Safeguarding; both these areas have separate committees which are chaired by Paulina Ford and Sarah Humble

Arthur Mellows is a non-selective comprehensive Academy and we know it is equally important to recognise the achievements of our less academically able students as well as our top performers.

Over the last year, the world has been turned upside down by the pandemic and life has dramatically changed no more so than in education. During that time we have strived to deliver for our students especially the A Level and GCSE years. Support and guidance for our A Level students to secure University places of their choice has been a priority and likewise, encouragement to our successful GCSE students to progress to the Sixth Form which has become the first choice of many students from other schools.

The success of a school is generally measured by examination results but it is the policy of the Governors to provide as rounded an educational experience as possible. Pre pandemic, this meant that opportunities were available to participate in team sports, music and the performing arts, trips and visits and many other extra-curricular activities such as the emerging Combined Cadet Force. A particular strength is our students' involvement in the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme with more Arthur Mellows students participating, each year, than the total from the rest of Peterborough schools. We hope that these opportunities can resume as soon as possible.

We recognise that the environment in which everyone works is important and subject to the availability of further funding, the MAT will continue to develop the College Campus to maintain the high quality facilities that have been achieved over the last number of years. The current project is the dedicated Sixth Form Hub which will create one of the best centres in Peterborough and, if all goes to plan, we should see completion during the next academic year.

Our last two OFSTED inspections in November 2009 and December 2014 were both judged as 'Outstanding'. In 2018 we participated in the OFSTED research programme that led to the release, in 2019, of the new Inspection Framework. The LGC will endeavour to oversee that the success of the College continues and we do this with inspired leadership, dedicated and talented staff, supportive parents and guardians, and most importantly, hardworking students.

Nigel Jennings
LGC Chair