

Supporting Statement of Mr Paul Myers

I am a solicitor with over thirty years experience in a number of legal areas both in local government and in the commercial sector. During my career in local government, I was the Education Solicitor for a major County Education Authority providing legal advice on all matters concerning education law and the fulfilment of a local education authority's statutory responsibilities towards children. In the commercial sector, whilst my primary specialism was as an intellectual property lawyer, because of my personal concerns in the field of disability as the father of a profoundly physically disabled child, I was also responsible for the provision of advice on disability discrimination including employment law, access to buildings, etc.

I am passionately committed to the importance of quality education and services delivered to children, particularly to those with special needs, and was first elected as a Parent Governor of my son's first special school in 1996 and was Chair of Governors for over four years until moving to Kent in 2005. Since that time, I have been an elected Parent Governor of Valence School and chair its Teaching and Learning Committee with a personal involvement in such issues as staff recruitment, curriculum provision and the school's successful bid to become a Sports College.

Although having retired from active practice, I have been pleased to assist parents who have sought advice and information regarding such matters as obtaining appropriate educational placements, parental choice, etc. and, on occasion, have attended by invitation as their representative at meetings and annual reviews concerning their child's welfare and education.

I believe my experience, both professionally and as a Parent Governor over a considerable number of years, together with my long held dedication to the provision of high quality education across the whole range of needs, will enable me to pursue the concerns and views of parents and help fashion and inform decision making at County level in a positive way. I would very much welcome the opportunity to do so as a Parent Governor Representative.

The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions. It emphasizes that proper record-keeping is essential for the success of any business and for the protection of the interests of all stakeholders. The document outlines the various methods and tools that can be used to ensure the accuracy and reliability of financial data.

In addition, the document provides a detailed overview of the different types of financial statements that are required for a business. It explains the purpose and content of each statement, including the balance sheet, income statement, and cash flow statement. The document also discusses the importance of regular audits and the role of external auditors in ensuring the integrity of financial reporting.

The document further explores the various factors that can affect the accuracy of financial data, such as human error, fraud, and incomplete records. It provides practical advice on how to minimize these risks and ensure that all transactions are properly recorded and reported. The document also discusses the importance of transparency and the role of management in ensuring the accuracy of financial data.

Finally, the document concludes by emphasizing the importance of ongoing monitoring and review of financial data. It stresses that businesses should regularly review their financial records to identify any discrepancies or areas for improvement. The document also provides a list of resources and references for further information on financial reporting and record-keeping.

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I am presently a Parent Governor at Oakfield Community Primary School, having been in the role for approximately two years. My three children attend the school which is in the midst of a "new build" and renovation that is being funded by Kent County Council, an exciting and enlightening experience.

I am employed as a Costs Manager for a law firm in the City of London, an occupation that I find both enjoyable and rewarding and which I believe will serve me well should I be elected to the Parent Governor Representative role. On a daily basis I am in contact with solicitors and barristers as well as members of the judiciary. The need to be confident and well prepared is paramount. Therefore, I would be sure to prepare myself thoroughly for any issues being addressed and would make sure that I voice the opinions of the parents of Kent.

Both my parents were teachers and hence I am well aware of the difficulties and issues that teachers encounter on a daily basis and now, as a parent, of the concerns that parents have in relation to education. My eldest child will soon be entering secondary school and, therefore, I believe I will be well placed during the tenure of this position to offer a perspective from both the primary and secondary viewpoint.

To conclude, I believe that the ideal candidate for the position, as required by the Parent Governors of Kent, is someone who will make sure their voice is heard, who is logical and mainstream in their views and who will reflect the concerns and beliefs of the majority of parents in the county. I believe that I will be able to fulfil that role.

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In addition, the document emphasizes the need for regular reconciliation of accounts. This process involves comparing the company's internal records with external statements, such as bank statements and supplier invoices, to identify any discrepancies. By doing so, the company can ensure that its financial data is accurate and up-to-date.

Finally, the document highlights the importance of maintaining a clear and organized system for storing financial records. This can be achieved through the use of a dedicated accounting software system or a well-structured filing system. By keeping records in an accessible and organized manner, the company can streamline its financial reporting process and ensure that all necessary information is readily available when needed.