An Daras Multi-Academy Trust

Delegation – Decision Planner for Statutory and Extended Responsibilities v5

The An Daras Multi Academy Trust (ADMAT) Company
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A well organised Board of Directors can spread its statutory workload by setting up sub-committees and delegating tasks to these committees, or in some instances to individuals. This delegation planner covers legal responsibilities pertaining to the academy schools within ADMAT.

The Board of Directors are accountable in law for all major decisions about the trust and its future. However, this does not mean that they are required to carry out all the work themselves. For example; Boards of Directors have a responsibility to ensure that their academies have a pay policy, but they would not be expected to draft it themselves. This task can be delegated to a member of the academy staff or a small designated group of directors and/or local governors; alternatively the Board can adopt model policies. The Board will then discuss and amend/endorse and adopt the policy as necessary.

It is important to remember that the Board of Directors, its committees and the Local Governing Advisory Boards (LGB) do not represent constituencies. For example: Parent governors do not represent the parents, the staff governors do not represent the staff. Each director or local governor has equal voting weight within their delegated responsibilities. The Chair of the Board or Chair of Local Governors will have a casting vote if required.

This planner shows to which level the ADMAT Board of Directors have legally delegated their main functions to committees and individuals.

These delegated responsibilities and/or resulting decisions made by the committees may be subject to change by the full Board of Directors.

Committees and local governors must remember that although decisions may be delegated, the Board of Directors as a whole remains responsible for any decision made under that delegation.

Decision Level Key

Level 1: Full Board of Directors (F)
Level 2: Committee of the Directors (e.g. TLA, LGB)
Level 3: Individual Director (I)
Level 4: Chief Executive Officer (E)
✓   Indicates level required by ADMAT Board of Directors.

Column blank: Action could be undertaken by this level.
Column blocked off: Function cannot be legally carried out at this level.

Part A – Decision Planner for Statutory Responsibilities – Delegation

PART A		Decision Planner for Statutory Responsibilities - Delegation				
Function	**Code**	**Task/area of responsibility**	**Decision Level**			
		Committee Key F = Full Board Au = Audit FSD = Finance and Strategic Growth RSS = Resources and Staffing TLA = Teaching, Learning and Achievement LGB = Local Governing Board	**1** (F)	**2** (Au) (FSD) (RSS) (TLA) (LGB)	**3** (I)	**4** (E)
Budget	1.	Approve first formal annual budget plan and all annual/3 year budgets thereafter	✓			
	2.	Appoint external auditors to produce annual company accounts for independent audit (upon Members' approval)	✓			
	3.	Monitor monthly expenditure			✓	✓
	4.	Establish a Charging and Remissions Policy		✓ (FSD)		
	5.	Establish Asset Control and Accounting Policy		✓ (Au)		
	6.	Establish Risk Management Policy		✓ (Au)		
	7.	Establish a MAT and individual school Risk Register		✓ (Au/ LGB)		
	8.	Ensure procedures for safeguarding of funds are in operation		✓ (Au)		
	9.	Enter into contracts above determined limits (BoD to agree financial limits and delegation)		✓ (FSD)		
	10.	Appoint Responsible Officer	✓			
Staffing	11	Executive Head Teacher appointment - panel selection	✓			
	12.	Head of School appointment – panel selection (including Assistant Heads) (*Assistance from LGB*)		✓ (RSS) (*LGB*)		
	13.	Teacher appointments including specific middle leaders ie KS1		✓ (LGB)		✓
	14.	Non-Teaching school appointments		✓ (LGB)		✓
	15.	Agree annual Pay Policy		✓ (FSD)		
	16.	Pay decisions and discretions		✓ (FSD)		

	No.					
	17.	Establishing disciplinary and capability procedures		✓ (RSS)		
	18.	Dismissal of Executive Head Teacher		✓ (RSS)		
	19.	Dismissal of Head of School		✓ (RSS)		
	20.	Suspension of Executive Head Teacher		✓ (RSS)		
	21.	Suspension of Head of School		✓ (RSS)		
	22.	Ending suspension of Executive Head Teacher		✓ (RSS)		
	23.	Ending suspension of Head of school		✓ (RSS)		
	24.	Determining individual academy/school staffing structures	✓	✓ (RSS)		
	25.	Determining dismissal payments or early retirement or redundancy payments		✓ (RSS)		
Curriculum	26.	Ensure national curriculum taught to all pupils		✓ (LGB)		
	27.	Establish Curriculum Policy		✓ (LGB)		
	28.	Implement Curriculum Policy		✓ (LGB)		
	29.	Monitor Curriculum Policy		✓ (LGB)		
	30.	Ensure standards of teaching are maintained		✓ (TLA) (LGB)		✓
	31.	Decisions on extra-curricular provision (activities outside the school day)		✓ (LGB)		
	32.	Provision for flexibility in the Curriculum		✓ (LGB)		
	33.	Responsibility for individual pupils education				✓
	34.	Provision of SRE and to establish a current SRE Policy		✓ (LGB)		
	35.	Prohibit political indoctrination, radicalisation, extremism	✓	✓ (RSS) (LGB)		
Performance Management	36.	Establish a Performance Management Policy		✓ (RSS)		
	37.	Monitor Performance Management Policy		✓ (RSS)		
	38.	Implement Performance Management Policy		✓ (LGB)		✓
		Performance Management of CEO	✓	✓ (RSS)		
	39.	Review Performance Management		✓		

		Policy as required		(RSS)			
Target Setting	40.	Set targets for pupil achievement		✓ (TLA) (LGB)			
	41.	Set targets for pupil attendance		✓ (TLA) (LGB)			
Discipline and Exclusions	42.	Establish Discipline Policy		✓ (LGB)			
	43.	Review the use of exclusion and to confirm/not confirm fixed term (over 15 days) or permanent exclusion		✓ (LGB)			
	43.	Direct re-instatement of excluded pupils		✓ (LGB)			
Admissions	44.	Consult annually before setting an Individual Academy Admissions Policy		✓ (LGB)			
	45.	Establish an individual Academy Admissions Policy		✓ (LGB)			
	46.	Admission applications and related decisions		✓ (LGB)			
	47.	Appeal to the Secretary of State against directions to admit pupils		✓ (TLA)			
RE	48.	Establish RE Policy and ensuring provision of RE		✓ (LGB)			
Collective Worship	49.	Determining arrangements for daily collective worship		✓ (LGB)			
	50.	Ensuring all pupils take part in daily collective worship					✓
Sites, Buildings and Insurance	51.	Ensuring the MAT has adequate insurance cover to support its activities. Including buildings and contents, business interruption, employer and public liability cover, vehicle cover.		✓ (RSS) (FSD)			
	52.	Undertaking risk assessments to determine adequate insurance is in place	✓				
	53.	Determining academy building development strategy plan		✓ (RSS)			
	54.	Procuring and maintaining buildings and developing funded maintenance plan		✓ (RSS)			
Health and Safety	55.	Establish Health and Safety Policy	✓				
	56.	Ensuring H+S regulations are followed – including medical conditions					✓
School Organisation	57.	Publishing proposal to change category of academy	✓				
	58.	Set times of academy sessions and dates of academy terms and holidays		✓ (LGB)			

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	59.	Ensuring the academy has 380 sessions in an academic year		✓ (LGB)		✓
	60.	Ensuring the academy has a response to an OFSTED action plan		✓ (LGB) (TLA)		
Parental Information	61.	Prepare and publish relevant individual academy information e.g. prospectus		✓ (LGB)		
	62.	Ensuring individual academy website complies with statutory requirements		✓ (LGB)		
		Ensuring MAT website complies with statutory requirements		✓ (Au)		
	63.	Ensuring provision of FSM to pupils meeting criteria				✓
	64.	Adopt and review academy home school agreement		✓ (LGB)		
Governance Procedures	65.	Appointment and removal of Chair of Directors	✓			
	66.	Appointment and removal of Chair of LGAB	✓			
	67.	Appoint and dismiss Clerk to the Board of Directors (Governance Officer)	✓			
	68	Hold at least three Board of Directors meetings per year	✓			
	69.	Appointment and removal of co-opted directors	✓			
	70.	*Intentionally blank*				
	71.	Appoint and remove LGAB governors	✓			
	72.	Establish Register of directors/LGAB	✓			
	73.	Business/Pecuniary interests	✓	✓ (Au)		
	74.	Establish and approve governance expenses scheme	✓	✓ (FSD)		
	75.	Regulate governance procedures (when not set out in law)	✓			
Extended Services	76.	Decide if and what additional activities should be offered to pupils and parents		✓ (LGB)		
	77.	Establish and deliver additional services as required (such as breakfast club, parents learning etc)		✓ (LGB)		
	78.	Cease providing additional extended services		✓ (LGB)		
MAT Status	79.	To consider MAT expansion opportunities	✓			
	80.	To consider requests from other settings to join MAT	✓			
	81.	To leave the MAT	✓			
Improvement Planning	82.	Establish academy Improvement Planning Framework and review academy self-evaluation priorities and actions to address		✓ (All)		

	83.	Formulate, monitor and action Self Evaluation priorities for individual academies		✓ (LGB)		
	84.	Plan Interventions if improvement plan actions are not leading to better achievement outcomes for pupils		✓ (TLA)		
Ethos and individuality	**85.**	Establish individual academy specific aims and vision		✓ (LGB)		
	86.	Monitor ethos of individual academy and regularly report to Board of Directors		✓ (LGB)		
	87.	Maintain local distinctiveness through responding to needs of community		✓ (LGB)		

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Part B - Decision Planner for Church Variation - Delegation

Scheme of delegation for governance of converter Church of England Academies in 'Community' led MATs; intended as a 'variation' of (or addition to) the MAT's normal scheme of delegation for local governance.

Aims:
- To ensure that the education in the school continues to promote life in all its fullness for all children
- To ensure the continuing involvement of the Diocese of Truro in ensuring that the Academy is governed in accordance with the principles of the Church of England
- To protect, project and develop the Christian character and distinctiveness of the Church of England Academy in partnership with the church at Parish, Deanery and Diocesan level
- To clarify the respective roles of the Diocesan Board of Education and Askel Veur (The Diocese of Truro's Academies Umbrella Trust), the MAT Board and the Local Governance of the Church of England Academy.

Key	
Decides	
Must be consulted	

PART B		Decision Planner for Church Variation - Delegation			
Function	**Code**	**Task/area of responsibility**	**LGAB**	**MAT Board**	**DBE Askel Veur**
Structure and Delegation	1.	Develop and approve scheme of delegation for the governance of Church of England Academy within Community MAT		■	■
	2.	Make changes to the local governance structure of the Church of England Academy Trust within the MAT		■	■
	3.	Exercise the scheme of delegation and ensure responsibility for key functions is performed and communicated appropriately		■	
Appointment and Removal of Foundation Governors	4.	Appoint/remove Foundation Governors		■	■
Appointment of Head teacher	5.	Appoint the head teacher / head of school of the Academy, ensuring leadership of the Christian ethos of the school	■	■	■
Appointment of other staff	6.	Appoint other teaching and non-teaching staff of the Academy, ensuring support for the Christian ethos of the school	■	■	
Admissions	7.	The Admissions Authority of a Church of England Academy has a statutory responsibility to consult with the Diocesan Board of Education		■	■
SIAMS	8.	Ensure that the Academy continues to	■	■	

		strongly demonstrate its distinctiveness as a Church School as evaluated by SIAMS			
RE	9.	Ensure the effectiveness of RE teaching in the Academy and disseminate good practice across the MAT			
Worship	10.	Ensure the effectiveness of collective worship in the Academy, and disseminate good practice across the MAT			
SMSC	11.	Ensure the effectiveness of the curriculum in SMSC development and disseminate good practice across the MAT			
MAT and Academy Budget	12.	Ensure that activities required to uphold the Christian ethos of the Academy is appropriately resourced			
Communication	13.	Ensure that the Academy's Christian distinctiveness is reflected in all communications			
Parish, Deanery and Diocese	14.	Ensure a close working relationship between Academy, Parish, and Diocese			

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Part C - Decision Planner for Central/LGAB or School Additional Responsibilities - Delegation

Additional specific tasks and responsibilities are also delegated to the Central MAT operational team or LGAB. This decision planner shows the delegation level for these elements.

PART C	Decision Planner for Central/LGAB Additional Responsibilities - Delegation			
Function	Code	Task/Service/Area of Responsibility	Central (MAT)	Delegated (Sch/LGAB)
Finance	1.	Budget modelling	✓	
	2.	Financial strategy setting	✓	
	3.	Business financial decisions	✓	
	4.	Termly budget monitoring	✓	
	5.	Responsible officer checks	✓	
	6.	Accounting officer service	✓	
	7.	Annual audit	✓	
	8.	Pensions audit	✓	
	9.	Charity commission compliance	✓	
	10.	EFA compliance	✓	
	11.	Operational resourcing	✓	
	12.	In term budget monitoring	✓	
	13.	Finance service level agreement	✓	
	14.	Payroll services	✓	
	15.	Economy, efficiency and effectiveness	✓	
	16.	Business continuity planning	✓	

	17.	Finance policy making	✓	
Leading Support Services	18.	Strategic direction	✓	
	19.	Leadership	✓	
	20.	Appropriate use of public funds	✓	
	21.	Operational effectiveness		✓
	22.	Service co-ordination	✓	
	23.	Policy. procedure and process	✓	✓
	24.	Legal, ethical and social context of governance	✓	
	25.	Safeguarding officer services	✓	
	26.	Professional values and ethics	✓	
	27.	Research and development	✓	
Human Resources	28.	Contracts	✓	
	29.	HR management	✓	
	30.	School/trust design	✓	
	31.	Work force planning	✓	
	32.	Performance management	✓(SLT)	✓
	33.	Continuing professional development	✓(SLT)	✓
	34.	Job descriptions	✓	
	35.	Teaching Staff recruitment		✓
	36.	Leadership recruitment	✓	
	37.	HR service level agreement	✓	
	38.	Safeguarding checks (DBS, List 99)		✓
	39.	HR policy making	✓	
Premises	40.	Insurance	✓	
	41.	Space planning	✓	
	42.	Strategic capital planning	✓	
	43.	Property compliance service	✓	✓
	44.	Major project management	✓	
	45.	Minor project management		✓
	46.	Catering/kitchen maintenance	✓	
	47.	Site operational management		✓
	48.	Cleaning and caretaking service	✓	
	49.	Security arrangements		✓
	50.	Operational energy management		✓
	51.	Catering contract	✓	✓
	52.	Strategic energy management	✓	
	53.	Grounds maintenance		✓
	54.	IT Infra structure management	✓	
	55.	Risk register	✓	✓
	56.	Critical incident planning	✓	✓
	57.	Disaster recovery service	✓	✓
	58.	Premises policy making	✓	
Legal Services	59.	Legal service level agreement	✓	
	60.	Employment law compliance	✓	
	61.	Legal claims	✓	
Health and	62.	Operational health and safety	✓	✓

Safety				
	63.	Strategic health and safety management (including policy)	✓	
	64.	Health and safety training co-ordination	✓	
	65.	Health and safety compliance service	✓	
	66.	Fire risk assessment	✓	✓
	67.	Asbestos risk management	✓	
	68.	Accident reporting	✓	✓
	69.	Staff health and well being		✓
	70.	*Intentionally blank*		
Educational Services	**71.**	Executive Head teacher services	✓	
	72.	Improvement officer facilitation	✓	
	73.	Head teacher support	✓	
	74.	Attendance officer support	✓	
	75.	School improvement strategy	✓	✓
	76.	IT educational development		✓
	77.	Curriculum policy making		✓
	78.	Statutory educational compliance	✓	
	79.	Educational risk assessment		✓
	80.	School organisation	✓	
Procurement	**81.**	Procurement strategy	✓	
	82.	Tender management	✓	
	83.	Operational Purchasing	✓	
	84.	Benchmarking	✓	
	85.	Best value compliance	✓	
	86.	Collaborative buying	✓	
	87.	Contractor and supplier management	✓	
	88.	*Intentionally blank*		
	89.	Statutory frameworks and legislation including OJEU	✓	
	90.	Procurement policy making	✓	
Admin Systems	**91**	Information management system	✓	
	92.	Asset management (Parago)	✓	
	93.	Pupil data management	✓	✓
	94.	Data security	✓	✓
	95.	Data recovery services	✓	✓
Marketing	**96.**	Strategy	✓	
	97.	Brand management	✓	
	98.	Communication and promotions	✓	✓
	99.	Income generation	✓	
Admissions	**100.**	Admissions policy making	✓	Passed to schools to approve on behalf of BoD
	101.	Admissions appeals		✓

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Part D - Decision Planner for Central MAT/School Extended Health and Safety – Delegation

The MAT Assistant Business Manager has responsibility for leading and co-ordinating Central H+S operations. Regular half termly liaison with Heads of School and LGAB leads is part of the ongoing system to ensure H+S response and compliance is effective.

PART D					
Function	Code	Task/area of responsibility	Central MAT	LGAB	School (HoS/HT)
Audit, Policy and Training	1.	External H+S audit arrangements – scheduled monitoring	✓		
	2.	External audit – implementing and monitoring action points	✓		
	3.	Annual H+S policy	✓		
	4.	Annual H+S procedures and compliance with HSE statutory regulations	✓		
	4.	Annual H+S training matrix	✓		
	5.	Co-ordinating and Implementing H+S training matrix	✓		
	6.	Termly H+S reporting to local governance e.g. through HoS/HT Report to LGAB (reporting by exception only)		✓	✓
	7.	Termly H+S reporting to MAT Board	✓		
Site Checks	8.	Termly site and premises H+S visits and internal reporting	✓		✓
	9.	Implementing minor remedial action points from termly site visit			✓
	10.	Implementing major remedial action points from termly site visit	✓		
	11.	Daily/weekly monitoring of H+S reports, visual checks, perimeters and low level ongoing maintenance items			✓
	12.	Site and premises risk assessment monitoring and updates e.g. visitor arrangements, security, working environment			✓
	13.	Monitoring of site access arrangements including in relation to safeguarding			✓
Site Remedial Works	14.	Appointment of approved contractors for minor remedial/improvement works			✓
	15.	Appointment of approved contractors for major remedial/improvement works	✓		
Risk	16.	H+S risk assessment training	✓		

Category	No.	Description			
Assessment		arrangements and guidance updates			
	17.	Generic risk assessment e.g. hazardous materials, high level working, pregnancy (Using EEC Live)	✓		
	18.	Specific risk assessment to individual school roles, activities or site (Using EEC Live)			✓
	19.	Individual School Risk Assessment monitoring and implementation		✓	✓
	20.	Health and Safety compliance board in individual school established and updated	✓		
Property Compliance Checks	21.	Commissioning, management and co-ordination of annual PCP scheme	✓		
	22.	Monitoring of PCP reporting for individual schools	✓	✓	✓
	23.	Collective arrangements for PCP identified remedial works across MAT	✓		
	24.	Monitoring of legionella risk and water temperatures			✓
	25.	Monitoring of emergency lighting			✓
	26.	Monitoring of alarm testing – including monitoring of building evacuation and fire drill procedures			✓
	27.	Asbestos register monitoring and asbestos training for reducing risk e.g. to staff, pupil and contractors	✓		✓
Accident monitoring	28.	Recording of accidents and near misses and identified remedial action to reduce ongoing risk			✓
	29.	Overall monitoring of accidents and near misses and system improvements to reduce ongoing risk	✓		
Contractors	30.	Low level maintenance contracting arrangements and quality assurance monitoring			✓
	31.	Arrangement of contractor appointments for major remedial/improvement work	✓		
	32.	Annual approved contractor list	✓		
Critical Incidents	33.	Emergency plan development and implementation	✓		✓
	34.	Critical incident plan development and implementation	✓		✓
Staff Health and Well Being	35.	Health and Well Being policy	✓		
	36.	Health and well Being strategy implementation in individual schools		✓	✓
	37.	Lone working policy and procedures	✓		

		including policy established and implemented			
	38.	Regular monitoring and reporting of staff sickness	✓		✓
Curriculum Risk Assessment	**39.**	School subject/Domain leads risk assess each subject across curriculum provision on a regular basis			✓
	40.	Risk assessments and planning for school visits, enrichment activities and residential			✓
Safeguard-ing	**41.**	H+S requirements relating to safeguarding are met	✓	✓	✓
Caretaking and Cleaning	**42.**	H+S management and training of caretaking and cleaning staff	✓		

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Part E - MAT Finance Delegation

See seperate spreadsheets for full financial delegation limits as from May 2019.

Covering:

- ADMAT Financial Duties and Responsibilities – 2019/20
- ADMAT Financial Scheme of Delegation – 2019/20

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