## **Model Conflict of Interest Policy**

## Introduction

This policy sets out the principles for Conflict of Interest within Highwood Copse Primary PTFA. It is relevant to all within the association and is endorsed by the committee of Highwood Copse Primary PTFA. It will be reviewed yearly to ensure that it remains appropriate to the Organisation and its volunteer's needs.

As Committee Members and Trustees of Highwood Copse Primary PTFA we understand it is our duty to make decisions that are in the best interests of the parent teacher association (PTFA). We know that where any of us hold a personal or other interest, this will stop us from achieving this duty and acting in the best interest of our PT#FA.

## Applicability

This applies to every elected member of the Highwood Copse Primary PTFA committee.

Our PTA takes the following steps to identify and deal with any conflicts of interest:

We make all new committee members aware of this policy

We ask all committee members to declare any conflict of interest

When they are appointed

At the beginning of each meeting

Whenever a committee member becomes aware of a possible conflict of interest

Any committee member with an identified conflict of interest is asked to withdraw from any discussion of and/or vote on that issue.

Where conflicts of interest arise we will detail in the minutes of the meeting how this has been addressed

The PTFA will work to make sure there is a good mix of parents and staff across the school involved within the PTFA. This will stop any one part of the school being overly-represented.

Where decisions made may favour one year group, subject area or particular aspect of the school over others we will ensure we have consulted with our members and over time will ensure that all aspects of the school will benefit equally.

This policy will be reviewed annually by the Highwood Copse Primary PTFA committee prior to the AGM.