

# AQUINAS CHURCH OF ENGLAND EDUCATION TRUST

## AQUINAS ADVISORY COUNCIL (AAC) APPOINTMENTS

Aquinas is a multi academy education trust with academies situated in the London Borough of Bromley and East Sussex. Aquinas consists of academies with Church of England designation as well as community academies; the following are its member academies: -

- Bishop Justus Church of England Secondary Academy
- Cudham Church of England Primary Academy
- Keston Church of England Primary Academy
- Parish Church of England Primary Academy
- Rye College
- Rye Community Primary School
- St. George's Church of England Primary School
- St. John's Church of England Primary Academy
- St. Mark's Church of England Primary Academy
- St Nicholas Church of England Primary Academy
- Trinity Church of England Primary Academy

We encourage you to visit the website which can be found at [www.aquinastrust.org](http://www.aquinastrust.org) where fuller details on each of the academies and the work of the Trust can be found.

As an established trust, following a review of governance we launch the new Aquinas Advisory Councils (AAC) from September 2016. This provides an exciting opportunity for those individuals who possess the necessary skills and commitment to support one or more of our academies at a local level by becoming Member of an AAC. It is our hope that many governors who currently undertake excellent work in supporting the academies above will agree to continue to support their local academy but in a new capacity.

These are vital roles as they provide Headteachers with the necessary support and expertise, and at times simply a sounding board, enabling Headteachers and their leadership teams to continue to provide the very best for the children and young people in our care.

The Trust Board has determined that AACs will consist of:-

- Two parent members elected
- One staff member elected
- Six members appointed by the Trust for their relevant expertise and ability to advise

The attached form should be completed for current governors in each of our schools and prospective new members wishing to apply for one of the six Trust appointments.

### **Completing the form**

- Please complete the attached giving us a little information about yourself. The Trustees will use this information in their consideration of your appointment to an AAC.
- From time to time, the Trustees may seek a candidate with specific/key skills to enhance an area of weakness e.g. someone with a finance background to enhance the finance and accountancy expertise or someone with a Human Resources background to enhance the HR, personnel or employment law expertise for an individual academy.
- Whilst we are looking for some specific expertise, individuals without this should also consider joining us since full training will be provided from the Trust and a lack of knowledge should not be a barrier for people willing to serve and help us in this very important work.

## AQUINAS ADVISORY COUNCIL

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| Name:  |   |   |
| Job Title/Current Employer:  |   |   |
| Which Advisory Council do you want to join? (Please tick any that apply, you may tick more than one box).              | <input type="checkbox"/> Bishop Justus<br><input type="checkbox"/> Cudham<br><input type="checkbox"/> Keston<br><input type="checkbox"/> Parish<br><input type="checkbox"/> Rye College<br><input type="checkbox"/> Rye Community Primary | <input type="checkbox"/> St. George's<br><input type="checkbox"/> St. John's<br><input type="checkbox"/> St. Mark's<br><input type="checkbox"/> St Nicholas<br><input type="checkbox"/> Trinity<br><input type="checkbox"/> Any Aquinas Academy |
| <b>Tell us why you want to become an Aquinas Advisory Council Member:</b>  |   |   |
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| <b>Tell us about the skills and abilities you will bring to the role:</b>  |   |   |
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| <b>Tell us about any experience you have which will equip you for your role as an Aquinas Advisory Council Member:</b> |   |   |
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| <b>Tell us about the personal qualities you will bring to the role:</b>  |   |   |
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| <b>Other (please use this space to provide any information you feel would be of use to us):</b>                        |   |   |
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Please return the completed form by to: -

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