

Dimple Well Infant School & Nursery
Annual Governance Statement
(formerly Statement of Internal Control)

- 1 This statement relates to the Consistent Financial Reporting (CFR) Return for Dimple Well Infant School & Nursery for the year ended 31st March 2019. The Governing Body is responsible for ensuring that the School:
 - keeps proper accounting records during the year which will disclose, with reasonable accuracy and at any time, the financial position of the school, have been drawn up in accordance with the DfE (CFR) guidelines, and will enable it to prepare an annual income and expenditure statement that complies with DfE guidelines
 - maintains and operates an effective system of internal control to safeguard all the resources delegated, granted or otherwise entrusted to the School and ensure they are used cost effectively
- 2 The system of internal control has been developed and is co-ordinated by the Headteacher. It aims to provide as much assurance as is reasonably possible (not absolute assurance) that assets are safeguarded, transactions are properly authorised and recorded and that material errors or irregularities are either prevented or can be detected promptly.
- 3 Our review of the effectiveness of the systems of internal control is informed by:
 - our regular scrutiny of financial and other performance monitoring data
 - regular reports from the Head teacher and other managers to the Governing Body
 - the most recent report of the School's Internal Auditor/FMSiS dated May 2009/SFVS dated February 2016/Financial Risk & Control Checklist January 2020
 - our most recent self-evaluation of the internal controls undertaken 30th January 2020.
- 4 We are; therefore, satisfied that the internal control systems in operation at the School during the year were adequate and effective; with the exception of/but make the following observations:
 - All staff completed Fraud & Corruption training 2013.
 - Register of Business Interests now to be extended to all staff.
- 5 We propose over the coming year to take the following steps to address the areas of weakness noted above.
 - Fraud & Corruption is now due to be reviewed and SBM will check whether the on-line training is still available to update in the spring term 2019
 - Register of Business Interests forms to be issued and collated. Any additions will be added to the website.

Agreed by the Governing Body of Dimple Well Infant School & Nursery

30th January 2020

REVIEW DATE: January 2021