

-Millthorpe School



Record of Governor's Visit to School

Name: Helen Thomas

Date: 07.05.2014

Term: Summer

Visit to: Alex Collins & Sheila Sweeting

Purpose of Visit (including links to school improvement plan):

To discuss the SFVS as agreed at F&S committee.

Activities Seen:

We reviewed the background to the SFVS which was introduced in 2012; and reviewed each of the 23 questions in the return, identifying the kind of evidence that might be provided. Some of the questions are more challenging than others!

It is worth recording in this note that the SFVS underpins the wider desire to ensure that schools achieve the best education for children in relation to budget spent on the school and that its purposes are to help schools manage finance, to support them in securing VFM and to give assurance that secure financial management is in place.

Governors are responsible for the SFVS and it is a mandatory requirement for the questions to be discussed between the Governing Body, the Management Committee (or equivalent) and the head teacher.

Comments and Reflections:

A number of action points emerged from the discussions on specific questions. In relation to governors' finance skills, I agreed to recirculate the matrix of skills to the current membership of the F&S committee to ensure that we have an up-to-date overview of the skills and any gaps or needs.

