

Candidate Information Pack

Job Title Location

Clerk to Governors Ingfield Manor School

Dear Candidate

I am delighted that you have requested further information on our current vacancy. We are looking for a Clerk to the Governing Body to join us and become part of our successful team, giving the very best support to our community every day, because Ingfield Manor School believes in 'fulfilling potential' of every learner. This is a fantastic opportunity to work in an engaging and rewarding environment, supporting the learning of our young people with motor neurological difficulties.

We are committed to providing an excellent education for all learners so that we can equip them with the skills and strategies to live as independent a life as possible in the future. Ofsted inspected us in October 2023 and recognised that the school continues to offer a GOOD quality of education and safeguarding is effective. The inspection noted staff care deeply for pupils and understand their needs very well. In addition, staff dedication, warm and trusting relationships between adults and students, teachers who listen and make learning fun, an innovative curriculum, a tailored approach to the needs of students, positive engagement and students who go home happy.

We offer a welcoming team environment where everyone's contribution to the community is noticed and acknowledged.

Are you ready to take your place in the Ingfield Manor team? I am really looking forward to receiving your completed application.

Yours sincerely

Lawrie Lee Chairman







Ingfield Manor School is a non-maintained special school and part of Salutem Care and Education who have services across England and Wales supporting adults and children in residential and educational Environments.

Based in its our own idyllic grounds, Ingfield Manor School offers extensive specialist facilities with the aim to provide an exceptional learning environment, helping children and young people fulfil their potential. Facilities include woodland and outdoor classroom space, high specification sensory room and swimming pool.

At Ingfield Manor School, we believe everyone should have the opportunity to live a healthy, active, and fulfilling life, regardless of their background or disability. The aim of our services is to provide a safe and stimulating environment that enables children and young people to flourish and grow.

Our IMS provision caters for students aged 3-19 years with neurological motor impairment such as Cerebral Palsy and associated medical and sensory needs. Following the Conductive Education approach, Ingfield Manor School focuses on the holistic development of everyone, including their physical and communication skills.

Our Woodview provision is for secondary aged students with special educational needs including speech, language, and communication needs (SLCN) and autistic spectrum conditions (ASC).

We also have Beaumont Sussex on our campus, a Post-19 college for special educational needs and students with physical disabilities which is part of Beaumont College which offers pathways for students as they Prepare for Adulthood.

We are immensely proud of our school and our community. We are committed to providing the very best for young people while they are with us, helping them to develop the knowledge, skills, confidence and aspiration to succeed throughout their lives. We know that our staff team make the school what it is today and are the key to a successful future. Staff are well supported by the leadership team and are offered opportunities to progress. We know that each and every one of our staff have a pivotal role to play and we believe in supporting everyone to fulfil their potential. Ingfield Manor School is a rewarding place to work, and staff report high levels of job satisfaction.

Through working for Salutem we offer a comprehensive range of employee benefits designed to support you in various aspects of your life through our benefits platform Salutem Extras.

Some of these benefits include free online GP access for you and your family, ensuring that healthcare is readily accessible when you need it most. Additionally, our free employee assistance programme extends its support to both you and your partner, providing essential services such as counselling, financial advice, and legal guidance.

Ingfield Manor School has convenient road links and is a 15-minute drive from Horsham. There is a bus stop 10-minute walk from the school, a large car park for those travelling by car.

New employees joining Ingfield Manor School are guaranteed a warm welcome from the community. Our motto is that 'Fulfilling Potential' and we strongly believe that this should include our entire school community. We look forward to getting to know you better and helping you to play your part in providing the very best to our young people.



Job Title Reporting To Location Clerk to Governors Chairman of Governors Ingfield Manor School

Job Overview

The Clerk to the Governors plays a pivotal role in supporting the governance of the school by providing administrative and procedural support to the governing body. This position ensures that the governing body operates effectively and in compliance with statutory requirements.

Hours: 60hrs per year Part-time, term time only with flexible hoursHourly rate: £13.85 - £15.00 per hour (*dependent on experience*)

Job Responsibilities

Administrative Support

- Preparing and circulating agendas, papers and reminders ahead of meetings.
- Record accurate and detailed minutes of all governing body meetings, capturing key discussions, decisions, and actions.
- Ensure that minutes are distributed to governors promptly following meetings and are stored securely for future reference.
- Follow up on action points from meetings to ensure accountability and progress.
- Maintain Governor Hub and ensure all paperwork is kept in a systematic and accessible way.

Record Keeping

- Maintain an up-to-date register of governors and their terms of office.
- Ensure that all governing body policies and procedures are reviewed and updated regularly.
- Maintaining records of Governor training and arranging the training calendar

Meeting Coordination

- Schedule meetings, ensuring appropriate venues and facilities are arranged.
- Support the Chair of Governors in the preparation of meeting agendas.
- Ensure that meetings are conducted in accordance with the school's governance framework.



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Job Responsibilities

Compliance and Governance

- Advise the governing body on governance legislation and procedural matters.
- Ensure that the governing body operates within its legal and regulatory framework.
- Assist in the induction of new governors and provide ongoing support and training.

Communication

- Act as a point of contact for governors, school staff, and external stakeholders.
- Facilitate communication between the governing body and school leadership.
- Manage correspondence on behalf of the governing body.

Working Conditions

- The Governing Body meets approx. 3 times a year. Meetings are planned well in advance and currently take place on Tuesday afternoon/evenings during term time and usually last for approximately 3 hours.
- Whilst you must attend the meetings in-person, there is flexibility to complete the administration through home working.
- The role may involve occasional travel to training sessions or other schools.
- You will be provided with a school laptop and email address to undertake the role.
- Clerking duties and travel costs are include as part of the hourly rate.

This job description should not be seen as all encompassing, and the post holder will be expected to undertake any other responsibilities appropriate to the post as identified by the company.

The post holder will further Salutem's vision and comply with the policies and procedures of Salutem and the school. This job description will be kept under review to ensure that it remains up to date. The post holder will be consulted about any proposed changes.

Salutem Care and Education are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of Children and young people. All offers of employment are subject to rigorous pre-employment checks, including enhanced DBS, in line with our stringent safer recruitment policy.

Successful candidates for all posts will undergo a minimum of 6 months' probation period.



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Our Values

- We are **Supportive** by promoting opportunities for everyone so they can reach their full potential
- We are very **Ambitious** to provide the best possible outcomes for the people who use our services
- We are Loyal because we put the people that we support and our staff at the centre of everything we do, and we deliver on our promises. We also are committed to ensuring that our services are meeting the needs of all stakeholders
- We are **Unique** because we are ambitious and innovative about the diversity of the services that we provide without compromising quality
- We are **Transparent** by being open, honest and fostering a culture of mutual respect. We promote a culture where we learn by our experiences, and we are committed to doing things better and setting the highest standards in what we do
- We are **Engaging** because we work in partnership with the people that we support, our staff and all our stakeholders
- We encourage everyone to experience a Meaningful life by being aspirational and by offering opportunities





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Knowledge, skills and competency

Area	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications or Training	Minimum of a level 3 qualification or equivalent	Degree
Knowledge	Knowledgeable about governance procedures and educational legislation and guidance and/or willingness to develop knowledge.	
Skills	Excellent written and verbal communication skills.	
	Strong organisational and time management, able to work to tight deadlines	
	Proficiency in using office software (e.g., Microsoft 365).	
	Ability to write agendas and produce accurate concise minutes	
	Ability to maintain confidentiality and handle sensitive information	
Experience	Experience in a similar clerking, admin, or school support role	
Personal	High level of integrity and confidentiality.	
	Ability to build effective relationships with governors, staff, and stakeholders.	
	A valid Enhanced DBS (or willingness to apply) and suitable references	

We hope you have found this pack useful. Please do take a look at our website as well for more information and to see lots of images of our staff and young people, to help you get a feel for the work of the school.

https://www.ingfieldmanorschool.co.uk/

For further information please contact Lawrie Lee, Chairman by phone 01403 782294 or email <u>lawrie.lee@ambitoeducation.co.uk</u>

Data Protection:

All information is stored securely and processed appropriately. Any information supplied by unsuccessful candidates will be destroyed through a confidential waste system after six months from notifying unsuccessful candidates, in accordance with our information and records retention policy.

Closing Date: 4th July 2025

Interviews: w/c 7th July 2025