

Local Advisory Board FAQ

Can you explain how frequently they will meet?

They will meet termly (6x a year typically).

How do you get selected to be a LAB member?

You will have to fill in an application by the 19th of May and then this will be evaluated by the Trust. You will also need to complete all of our Safeguarding checks? Application forms can be requested by contacting catherine.gautrey@prestonehedges.org

Are there any other expectations of LAB members?

LAB members will be expected to both take an interest and participate in the school's activities, and where appropriate, Trust wide training events as well as attending the Trust AGM. All members will sign up to and adhere to the Nolan Principles of Public Office and safeguarding requirements. This can be requested by catherine.gautrey@prestonehedges.org

Will the LAB's have a chair?

Yes, they have been elected and are in post now. All our schools will have details of their current LAB membership online by the 4th May.

Are LAB members expected to comment on the wider work of the school?

Where local stakeholders approach a LAB member about a matter unrelated to the LAB's purpose, the LAB member should not comment and direct them to the school.

Will there be training for new LAB members?

Yes, of course. We will do training after they are appointed.

How long do I have to be a LAB member for?

Ideally, we would like people to commit for three years.

Is there anyone else I can talk to about this?

Yes. You can contact the Principal or ask to be put in touch with the LAB chair. catherine.gautrey@prestonhedges.org can help with this.

Will this role give me the opportunity to interact with the Trust?

Yes. There will always be Trustees at the meeting and you can go to the AGM.