

Governing body role and functions

The DfE makes clear governing board statutory functions in the following documents:

- [Maintained schools governance guide](#) and
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Each full governing board remains accountable for all decisions including those relating to functions delegated to a committee.

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