

# An Daras Multi-Academy Trust

# **Delegation – Decision Planner for Statutory and Extended Responsibilities v6**

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	ADMAT Finance and Financial delegation
	ADMAT Committee Terms of Reference
	ADMAT Scheme of Delegation

# An Daras Multi Academy Trust

## **ADMAT Delegation - Decision Planner 2022-2023**

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A well organised Board of Directors can spread its statutory workload by setting up sub-committees and delegating tasks to these committees, or in some instances to individuals. This delegation planner covers legal responsibilities pertaining to the academy schools within ADMAT.

The Board of Directors are accountable in law for all major decisions about the trust and its future. However, this does not mean that they are required to carry out all the work themselves. For example; Boards of Directors have a responsibility to ensure that their academies have a pay policy, but they would not be expected to draft it themselves. This task can be delegated to a member of the academy staff or a small designated group of directors and/or local governors; alternatively the Board can adopt model policies. The Board will then discuss and amend/endorse and adopt the policy as necessary.

It is important to remember that the Board of Directors, its committees and the Local Governing Boards (LGB) do not represent constituencies. For example: Parent governors do not represent the parents, the staff governors do not represent the staff. Each director or local governor has equal voting weight within their delegated responsibilities. The Chair of the Board or Chair of Local Governors will have a casting vote if required.

This planner shows to which level the ADMAT Board of Directors have legally delegated their main functions to committees and individuals.

These delegated responsibilities and/or resulting decisions made by the committees may be subject to change by the full Board of Directors.

Committees and local governors must remember that although decisions may be delegated, the Board of Directors as a whole remains responsible for any decision made under that delegation.

#### **Decision Level Key**

Level 1: Full Board of Directors (F)
Level 2: Committee of the Directors (e.g. LSS, FRS, Au, LGB)
Level 3: Individual Director (I)
Level 4: Chief Executive Officer (E)
✓ Indicates level required by ADMAT Board of Directors.

**Column blank**: Action could be undertaken by this level. **Column blocked off:** Function cannot be legally carried out at this level.

## Part A – Decision Planner for Statutory Responsibilities – Delegation

PART A	Decisi	on Planner for Statutory Responsibil	ities –	Delegatio	n	
Function	Code	Task/area of responsibility		Decisior	ו Level	
		Committee Key	1	2	3	4
		F = Full Board	(F)	(Au)	(1)	(E)
		Au = Audit		(FRS)		
		FRS = Finance, Resources & Staffing		(LSS)		
		LSS = Learning, Standards & Safeguarding LGB = Local Governing Board		(LGB)		
Budget	1.	Approve first formal annual budget	✓			
-		plan and all annual/3 year budgets				
		thereafter				
	2.	Appoint external auditors to produce	✓			
		annual company accounts for				
		independent audit (upon Members'				
		approval)				
	3.	Monitor monthly expenditure			✓	✓
	4.	Establish a Charging and Remissions		$\checkmark$		
		Policy		(FRS)		
	5.	Establish Asset Control and		$\checkmark$		
		Accounting Policy		(Au)		
	6.	Establish Risk Management Policy		✓		
				(Au)		
	7.	Establish a MAT and individual school		$\checkmark$		
		Risk Register		(Au/		
				LGB)		
	8.	Ensure procedures for safeguarding		✓		
		of funds are in operation		(Au)		
	9.	Enter into contracts above		✓		
		determined limits (BoD to agree		(FRS)		
		financial limits and delegation)				
	10.	Appoint Responsible Officer	$\checkmark$			
Staffing	11	Executive Head Teacher	✓			
		appointment - panel selection				
	12.	Head of School appointment – panel		✓		
		selection (including Assistant Heads)		(LSS)		
		(Assistance from LGB)		(LGB)		
	13.	Teacher appointments including		<ul> <li>✓</li> </ul>		✓
		specific middle leaders ie KS1		(LGB)		
	14.	Non-Teaching school appointments		√		✓
				(LGB)		
	15.	Agree annual Pay Policy		✓		
				(FRS)		
	16.	Pay decisions and discretions		✓		
				(FRS)		

	17.	Establishing disciplinary and		$\checkmark$	
	17.	capability procedures		(LSS)	
	18.	Dismissal of Executive Head Teacher		(L33) V	
	10.			(FRS)	
	19.	Dismissal of Head of School		√	
				(FRS)	
	20.	Suspension of Executive Head		$\checkmark$	
		Teacher		(FRS)	
	21.	Suspension of Head of School		$\checkmark$	
				(FRS)	
	22.	Ending suspension of Executive Head		<ul> <li>✓</li> </ul>	
		Teacher		(FRS)	
	23.	Ending suspension of Head of school		$\checkmark$	
	_	0		(FRS)	
	24.	Determining individual	✓	$\checkmark$	
		academy/school staffing structures		(FRS)	
	25.	Determining dismissal payments or		√	
		early retirement or redundancy		(FRS)	
		payments		()	
Curriculum	26.	Ensure national curriculum taught to		✓	
		all pupils		(LGB)	
	27.	Establish Curriculum Policy		<u>(</u> ) ✓	
				(LGB)	
	28.	Implement Curriculum Policy		$\checkmark$	
	_	, , , , , , , - ,		(LGB)	
	29.	Monitor Curriculum Policy		$\checkmark$	
				(LGB)	
	30.	Ensure standards of teaching are		$\checkmark$	✓
		maintained		(LSS)	
				(LGB)	
	31.	Decisions on extra-curricular		$\checkmark$	
		provision (activities outside the school day)		(LGB)	
	32.	Provision for flexibility in the		✓	
		, Curriculum		(LGB)	
	33.	Responsibility for individual pupils			✓
		education			
	34.	Provision of SRE and to establish a		$\checkmark$	
		current SRE Policy		(LGB)	
	35.	Prohibit political indoctrination,	✓	$\checkmark$	
		radicalisation, extremism		(LSS)	
				(LGB)	
Performance	36.	Establish a Performance		✓	
Management		Management Policy		(FRS)	
	37.	Monitor Performance Management		✓	
		Policy		(FRS)	
	38.	Implement Performance		✓	✓
		Management Policy		(LGB)	
		Performance Management of CEO	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	
				(FRS)	

	39.	Review Performance Management		✓	
		Policy as required		(FRS)	
Target	40.	Set targets for pupil achievement		(FN3) ✓	
Setting	40.			(LSS)	
Jetting				(LGB)	
	41.	Set targets for pupil attendance		(LOD)	
	41.			(LSS)	
				(LGB)	
Discipline	42.	Establish Discipline Policy		(LOD)	
and	72.			(LGB)	
Exclusions					
Exclusions	43.	Review the use of exclusion and to		✓	
		confirm/not confirm fixed term (over		(LGB)	
		15 days) or permanent exclusion		(===)	
	43.	Direct re-instatement of excluded		<b>√</b>	
		pupils		(LGB)	
Admissions	44.	Consult annually before setting an		√	
		Individual Academy Admissions Policy		(LGB)	
	45.	Establish an individual Academy		(===)	
		Admissions Policy		(LGB)	
	46.	Admission applications and related		$\checkmark$	
		decisions		(LGB)	
	47.	Appeal to the Secretary of State		✓	
		against directions to admit pupils		(LSS)	
RE	48.	Establish RE Policy and ensuring		✓	
		provision of RE		(LGB)	
Collective	49.	Determining arrangements for daily		✓	
Worship		collective worship		(LGB)	
	50.	Ensuring all pupils take part in daily			✓
		collective worship			
Sites,	51.	Ensuring the MAT has adequate		$\checkmark$	
Buildings and		insurance cover to support its		(FRS)	
Insurance		activities. Including buildings and			
		contents, business interruption,			
		employer and public liability cover,			
		vehicle cover.			 
	52.	Undertaking risk assessments to	$\checkmark$		
		determine adequate insurance is in			
	53.	place Determining academy building		✓	
	55.	development strategy plan		v (FRS)	
	54.	Procuring and maintaining buildings		(TK3) ✓	
	54.	and developing funded maintenance		(FRS)	
		plan			
Health and	55.	Establish Health and Safety Policy	✓		
Safety					
	56.	Ensuring H+S regulations are followed			<ul> <li>✓</li> </ul>
		<ul> <li>including medical conditions</li> </ul>			
School	57.	Publishing proposal to change	✓		
Organisation		category of academy			
	I		1		

	50		1	✓	
	58.	Set times of academy sessions and			
	50	dates of academy terms and holidays		(LGB) ✓	
	59.	Ensuring the academy has 380			$\checkmark$
		sessions in an academic year		(LGB)	
	60.	Ensuring the academy has a response		$\checkmark$	
		to an OFSTED action plan		(LGB)	
				(LSS)	
Parental	61.	Prepare and publish relevant		$\checkmark$	
Information		individual academy information e.g.		(LGB)	
		prospectus			
	62.	Ensuring individual academy website		$\checkmark$	
		complies with statutory requirements		(LGB)	
		Ensuring MAT website complies with		$\checkmark$	
		statutory requirements		(Au)	
	63.	Ensuring provision of FSM to pupils			✓
		meeting criteria			
	64.	Adopt and review academy home		✓	
		school agreement		(LGB)	
Governance	65.	Appointment and removal of Chair of	✓		
Procedures		Directors			
	66.	Appointment and removal of Chair of	✓		
		LGB			
	67.	Appoint and dismiss Clerk to the	✓		
		Board of Directors (Governance			
		Officer)			
	68	Hold at least three Board of Directors	✓		
		meetings per year			
	69.	Appointment and removal of co-	✓		
		opted directors			
	70.	Intentionally blank			
	71.	Appoint and remove LGB governors	✓		
	72.	Establish Register of directors/LGB	✓		
	73.	Business/Pecuniary interests	✓	✓	
				(Au)	
	74.	Establish and approve governance	✓	√	
		expenses scheme		(FRS)	
	75.	Regulate governance procedures	✓		
		(when not set out in law)			
Extended	76.	Decide if and what additional		✓	
Services		activities should be offered to pupils		(LGB)	
		and parents		()	
	77.	Establish and deliver additional	1	✓	
		services as required (such as		(LGB)	
		breakfast club, parents learning etc)		(= /	
	78.	Cease providing additional extended	1	✓	
		services		(LGB)	
MAT Status	79.	To consider MAT expansion	<b>√</b>	(_00)	
		opportunities			
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	80.	To consider requests from other	✓		
		settings to join MAT			
	81.	To leave the MAT	$\checkmark$		
Improvement	82.	Establish academy Improvement		$\checkmark$	
Planning		Planning Framework and review		(All)	
		academy self-evaluation priorities			
		and actions to address			
	83.	Formulate, monitor and action Self		$\checkmark$	
		Evaluation priorities for individual		(LGB)	
		academies			
	84.	Plan Interventions if improvement		$\checkmark$	
		plan actions are not leading to better		(LSS)	
		achievement outcomes for pupils			
Ethos and	85.	Establish individual academy specific		$\checkmark$	
individuality		aims and vision		(LGB)	
	86.	Monitor ethos of individual academy		$\checkmark$	
		and regularly report to Board of		(LGB)	
		Directors			
	87.	Maintain local distinctiveness through		$\checkmark$	
		responding to needs of community		(LGB)	

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### Part B - Decision Planner for Church Variation - Delegation

Scheme of delegation for governance of converter Church of England Academies in 'Community' led MATs; intended as a 'variation' of (or addition to) the MAT's normal scheme of delegation for local governance.

Aims:

- To ensure that the education in the school continues to promote life in all its fullness for all children
- To ensure the continuing involvement of the Diocese of Truro and Exeter in ensuring that the Academies are governed in accordance with the principles of the Church of England
- To protect, project and develop the Christian character and distinctiveness of the Church of England Academies in partnership with the church at Parish, Deanery and Diocesan level
- To clarify the respective roles of the Diocesan Boards of Education, Askel Veur (The Diocese of Truro's Academies Umbrella Trust), Eden (The Diocese of Eden's Academies Umbrella Trust), the MAT Board and the Local Governance of the relevant Church of England Academy.

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Decides	
Must be consulted	

PART B	Decisi	on Planner for Church Variation - Delegation	n		
Function	Code	Task/area of responsibility	LGB	MAT Board	DBE Askel Veur /Eden
Structure and Delegation	1.	Develop and approve scheme of delegation for the governance of Church of England Academy within Community MAT			
	2.	Make changes to the local governance structure of the Church of England Academy Trust within the MAT			
	3.	Exercise the scheme of delegation and ensure responsibility for key functions is performed and communicated appropriately			
Appointment and Removal of Foundation Governors	4.	Appoint/remove Foundation Governors			
Appointment of Head teacher	5.	Appoint the head teacher / head of school of the Academy, ensuring leadership of the Christian ethos of the school			
Appointment of other staff	6.	Appoint other teaching and non-teaching staff of the Academy, ensuring support for the Christian ethos of the school			
Admissions	7.	The Admissions Authority of a Church of England Academy has a statutory responsibility to consult with the Diocesan Board of Education			

SIAMS	8.	Ensure that the Academy continues to		
SIAIVIS	٥.	Ensure that the Academy continues to		
		strongly demonstrate its distinctiveness as a		
		Church School as evaluated by SIAMS		
RE	9.	Ensure the effectiveness of RE teaching in		
		the Academy and disseminate good practice		
		across the MAT		
Worship	10.	Ensure the effectiveness of collective		
		worship in the Academy, and disseminate		
		good practice across the MAT		
SMSC	11.	Ensure the effectiveness of the curriculum in		
		SMSC development and disseminate good		
		practice across the MAT		
MAT and	12.	Ensure that activities required to uphold the		
Academy		Christian ethos of the Academy is		
Budget		appropriately resourced		
Communication	13.	Ensure that the Academy's Christian		
		distinctiveness is reflected in all		
		communications		
Parish, Deanery	14.	Ensure a close working relationship between		
and Diocese		Academy, Parish, and Diocese		

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## Part C - Decision Planner for Central/LGB or School Additional Responsibilities - Delegation

Additional specific tasks and responsibilities are also delegated to the Central MAT operational team or LGB. This decision planner shows the delegation level for these elements.

PART C	Decisi Deleg	on Planner for Central/LGB Addition ation	al Respons	ibilities –
Function	Code	Task/Service/Area of Responsibility	Central (MAT)	Delegated (Sch/LGB)
Finance	1.	Budget modelling	✓	
	2.	Financial strategy setting	✓	
	3.	Business financial decisions	✓	
	4.	Termly budget monitoring	$\checkmark$	
	5.	Responsible officer checks	✓	
	6.	Accounting officer service	✓	
	7.	Annual audit	✓	
	8.	Pensions audit	✓	
	9.	Charity commission compliance	✓	
	10.	EFA compliance	✓	
	11.	Operational resourcing	✓	
	12.	In term budget monitoring	✓	
	13.	Finance service level agreement	✓	
	14.	Payroll services	✓	
	15.	Economy, efficiency and effectiveness	✓	
	16.	Business continuity planning	✓	
	17.	Finance policy making	✓	
Leading Support	18.	Strategic direction	~	
Services	19.	Leadership	<ul> <li>✓</li> </ul>	
	20.	Appropriate use of public funds	✓	
	21.	Operational effectiveness		✓
	22.	Service co-ordination	✓	
	23.	Policy. procedure and process	✓	✓
	24.	Legal, ethical and social context of governance	~	
	25.	Safeguarding officer services	✓	
	26.	Professional values and ethics	✓	
	27.	Research and development	✓	
Human	28.	Contracts	~	
Resources				
	29.	HR management	<ul> <li>✓</li> </ul>	
	30.	School/trust design	<ul> <li>✓</li> </ul>	
	31.	Work force planning	✓ ✓	
	32.	Performance management	√(SLT)	✓
	33.	Continuing professional development	√(SLT)	✓
	34.	Job descriptions	✓	
	35.	Teaching Staff recruitment		$\checkmark$

	36.	Leadership recruitment	✓	
	37.	HR service level agreement	✓	
	38.	Safeguarding checks (DBS, List 99)		<ul> <li>✓</li> </ul>
	39.	HR policy making	√	
Premises	40.	Insurance	✓	
	41.	Space planning	✓	
	42.	Strategic capital planning	✓	
	43.	Property compliance service	✓	✓
	44.	Major project management	✓	
	45.	Minor project management		✓
	46.	Catering/kitchen maintenance	✓	
	47.	Site operational management		✓
	48.	Cleaning and caretaking service	✓	
	49.	Security arrangements		✓
	50.	Operational energy management		✓
	51.	Catering contract	√	✓
	52.	Strategic energy management	√	
	53.	Grounds maintenance		✓
	54.	IT Infra structure management	✓	
	55.	Risk register	~	✓
	56.	Critical incident planning	~	✓
	57.	Disaster recovery service	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
	58.	Premises policy making	$\checkmark$	
Legal Services	59.	Legal service level agreement	~	
	60.	Employment law compliance	✓	
	61.	Legal claims	✓	
Health and	62.	Operational health and safety	~	$\checkmark$
Safety				
	63.	Strategic health and safety	~	
		management (including policy)		
	64.	Health and safety training co-	~	
		ordination		
	65.	Health and safety compliance service	✓ ✓	
	66.	Fire risk assessment	✓ ✓	✓
	67.	Asbestos risk management	✓	
	68.	Accident reporting	<b>√</b>	<b>v</b>
	69. 70	Staff health and well being		Ŷ
Educational	70. 71.	Intentionally blank Executive Head teacher services	✓	
Services	/1.		<b>•</b>	
	72.	Improvement officer facilitation	✓	
	73.	Head teacher support	✓	
	74.	Attendance officer support	✓	
	75.	School improvement strategy	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
	76.	IT educational development		✓
	77.	Curriculum policy making		✓
	78.	Statutory educational compliance	$\checkmark$	
	79.	Educational risk assessment		✓
	80.	School organisation	✓	
Procurement	81.	Procurement strategy	✓	

	82.	Tender management	$\checkmark$	
	83.	Operational Purchasing	$\checkmark$	
	84.	Benchmarking	$\checkmark$	
	85.	Best value compliance	$\checkmark$	
	86.	Collaborative buying	$\checkmark$	
	87.	Contractor and supplier management	$\checkmark$	
	88.	Intentionally blank		
	89.	Statutory frameworks and legislation including OJEU	$\checkmark$	
	90.	Procurement policy making	$\checkmark$	
Admin	91	Information management system	$\checkmark$	
Systems				
	92.	Asset management (Parago)	$\checkmark$	
	93.	Pupil data management	$\checkmark$	~
	94.	Data security	$\checkmark$	✓
	95.	Data recovery services	$\checkmark$	✓
Marketing	96.	Strategy	$\checkmark$	
	97.	Brand management	$\checkmark$	
	98.	Communication and promotions	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
	99.	Income generation	$\checkmark$	
Admissions	100.	Admissions policy making	√	Passed to schools to approve on behalf of BoD
	101.	Admissions appeals		✓

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# Part D - Decision Planner for Central MAT/School Extended Health and Safety – Delegation

The MAT Operations Officer has responsibility for leading and co-ordinating Central H+S operations. Regular half termly liaison with Heads of School and LGB leads is part of the ongoing system to ensure H+S response and compliance is effective.

PART D					
Function	Code	Task/area of responsibility	Central MAT	LGB	School (HoS/HT)
Audit, Policy and Training	1.	External H+S audit arrangements – scheduled monitoring	√		
	2.	External audit – implementing and monitoring action points	~		
	3.	Annual H+S policy	✓		
	4.	Annual H+S procedures and compliance with HSE statutory regulations	~		
	4.	Annual H+S training matrix	✓		
	5.	Co-ordinating and Implementing H+S training matrix	√		
	6.	Termly H+S reporting to local governance e.g. through HoS/HT Report to LGB (reporting by exception only)		✓	~
	7.	Termly H+S reporting to MAT Board	✓		
Site Checks	8.	Termly site and premises H+S visits and internal reporting	√		~
	9.	Implementing minor remedial action points from termly site visit			~
	10.	Implementing major remedial action points from termly site visit	✓		
	11.	Daily/weekly monitoring of H+S reports, visual checks, perimeters and low level ongoing maintenance items			~
	12.	Site and premises risk assessment monitoring and updates e.g. visitor arrangements, security, working environment			~
	13.	Monitoring of site access arrangements including in relation to safeguarding			~
Site Remedial Works	14.	Appointment of approved contractors for minor remedial/improvement works			~
	15.	Appointment of approved contractors for major remedial/improvement works	~		

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Risk Assessment	16.	H+S risk assessment training	$\checkmark$		
Assessment		arrangements and guidance updates			
	17.	Generic risk assessment e.g.	$\checkmark$		
		hazardous materials, high level			
		working, pregnancy (Using EEC Live)			
	18.	Specific risk assessment to individual			$\checkmark$
		school roles, activities or site (Using			
		EEC Live)			
	19.	Individual School Risk Assessment		✓	$\checkmark$
		monitoring and implementation			
	20.	Health and Safety compliance board in	$\checkmark$		
		individual school established and			
		updated			
Property	21.	Commissioning, management and co-	✓		
Compliance		ordination of annual PCP scheme			
Checks	22	Manitaring of DCD reporting for	✓		
	22.	Monitoring of PCP reporting for individual schools	v	×	$\checkmark$
	22		✓		
	23.	Collective arrangements for PCP identified remedial works across MAT	v		
	24				
	24.	Monitoring of legionella risk and			$\checkmark$
	25	water temperatures			
	25.	Monitoring of emergency lighting			✓
	26.	Monitoring of alarm testing –			~
		including monitoring of building			
		evacuation and fire drill procedures			
	27.	Asbestos register monitoring and	$\checkmark$		✓
		asbestos training for reducing risk e.g.			
		to staff, pupil and contractors			
Accident monitoring	28.	Recording of accidents and near			✓
monitoring		misses and identified remedial action			
		to reduce ongoing risk			
	29.	Overall monitoring of accidents and	$\checkmark$		
		near misses and system			
Contractory	20	improvements to reduce ongoing risk			
Contractors	30.	Low level maintenance contracting			~
		arrangements and quality assurance			
	•	monitoring			
	31.	Arrangement of contractor	$\checkmark$		
		appointments for major			
		remedial/improvement work	1		
0	32.	Annual approved contractor list	✓		
Critical	33.	Emergency plan development and	✓		~
Incidents		implementation	1		
	34.	Critical incident plan development and	$\checkmark$		~
C) (f		implementation			
Staff Health	35.	Health and Well Being policy	$\checkmark$		
and Well					
Being					
20	36.	Health and well Being strategy		✓	✓
		implementation in individual schools			
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	37.	Lone working policy and procedures including policy established and implemented	~		
	38.	Regular monitoring and reporting of staff sickness	$\checkmark$		~
Curriculum Risk Assessment	39.	School subject/Domain leads risk assess each subject across curriculum provision on a regular basis			✓
	40.	Risk assessments and planning for school visits, enrichment activities and residential			<b>√</b>
Safeguard- ing	41.	H+S requirements relating to safeguarding are met	✓	✓	~
Caretaking and Cleaning	42.	H+S management and training of caretaking and cleaning staff	✓		

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#### Part E - MAT Finance Delegation

See separate spreadsheets for full financial delegation limits as from July 2022.

Covering:

- ADMAT Financial Duties and Responsibilities 2022/23
- ADMAT Financial Scheme of Delegation 2022/23

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