**Southwark Governors’ Association**

**Nomination for Management Committee**

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| **Name****Maureen Gabbidon** | **School Name****Charlotte Sharman Foundation Primary School** |
| **Category of governor****Local Authority (Chair of Governors)** | **When were you first appointed as a governor?****October 2017** |
| **Please set out below why you would like to be elected to the management committee and what skills, knowledge and experience you think you can bring.** |

**I have been retired for the past 3 years (previously Secondary School Business Manager /Clerk to Governors, member of the Senior Leadership Team, and working in other educational institutions in Southwark and Tower Hamlets for over 40 years). I have extensive knowledge of Education Finance.**

**I have lived in the Borough of Southwark for over 50 years and attended a local Secondary School. I am educated at Post Graduate level for Professional Development.**

**I have previously been a Parent Governor and was re-elected Vice Chair of Governors at a local Primary School in the 1990s.**

**In October 2017, I was elected Governor at Robert Browning Primary School and served for a period of 2 years. During this time, I gained knowledge and experience of the work of Governors in Southwark and the organisation as a whole. I took the opportunity to undertake broader training offered to extend my knowledge of governance , and to enable me to contribute to the success of our pupils.**

**During this time, I attended SGA meetings to gain further knowledge of governance and how to be more effective as a governor.**

**In November 2019, I was elected Chair of Governors at Charlotte Sharman Primary School and most recently re-elected Chair.**

**During this time, I have built up and led a team of governors, contributing to school improvement priorities, leading the business and working well in partnership with the Senior Leadership Team.**

**I am able to build on leadership experience and to be an effective Chair of Governors , through the Southwark Training and Development programme in all areas of Governance, and the work of the SGA and Management Committee forums. Those include: Curriculum and Standards, Finance and Resources, Leadership and Management, Safeguarding, Health and Safety, Wellbeing, School Policies and other school priorities.**

**In November 2018, I was elected to the SGA Management Committee working collaboratively with a team of governors, Governor Support team and other professionals, to contribute to the decision- making process, plan programmes of events, agendas, information sharing and providing support and development for the work of the SGA as a whole.**

**As a member of the SGA Management Committee, I am able to gain good insight and knowledge of schools, share values and gather information and support from a range of sources. I have good attendance at both SGA and Management Committee meetings.**

**I would like to be re-elected to the Management Committee as I feel I am able to use my broad experience of education over the past 40 years, leadership qualities, and experience of Chair of Governors, to contribute effectively to the work of the committee, to inform decisions in the interests of the community to improve education standards, and to make a difference to the lives of young people and families across the borough.**

**I feel I can also make valuable contribution to the work of the SGA Management Committee, and to a wide range of education issues within the borough and schools working in partnership with Senior Officers. I am committed to attend meetings and undertake training for development, and to be an effective member of the committee to provide good outcomes for children and families in our diverse borough.**

**Finally, during challenging times of the pandemic, and matters of Equality and Diversity in the borough, I have attended a number of Zoom meetings and webinars with Governors For Schools around COVID 19 matters, and feel that I am equipped to make valuable contribution to discussions around those issues.**

**Please return this form by 20 November 2020………….to** **Ela Cleary**

**This form will be shared with Southwark governors prior to the Annual General Meeting.**