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Dear Parent / Carer

## Chair of Governors

I am writing to make you aware of a change to the position of Chair of Governors at Midhurst Rother College. You will be aware that Richard Carter has held this role since 2014. Richard has announced his intention to stand down from the position and, with regret, I have accepted his decision.

During Richard's time as Chair of Governors, standards across the College have risen in all Key Stages and outcomes have improved significantly. He has always remained committed to the College, the students and the wider community and will be missed by the College Governing Body as well as by the leadership team. We wish him well for the future and thank him for his service to the children of Midhurst.

As a consequence of Richard's resignation, the College has sought a new Chair of Governors and I am delighted that David Lawes has accepted the position. He brings a wealth of experience to the role and also has a personal association with Midhurst Grammar School which he attended from 1966. In addition, David's children also attended the College. David has been a Governor at Midhurst Rother College and the predecessor school for 18 years and has served on several committees. He has been Chair of the Finance Committee for the last six years, is the designated safeguarding Governor and Vice-Chair of the Governing Body. He has a long and successful career, building his own construction and development company over a period of 42 years.

We would like to wish David every success in his new role as Chair of the Local Governing Body and also extend our gratitude to Richard Carter for his service to the College and for helping with the seamless transition to the new Chair.

Yours sincerely

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