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cc: Headteacher, Governing Body Clerk

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Dear Governor

We previously wrote to you about the introduction of GovernorHub to Solihull schools. Recently, training events attended by chairs and clerks have proved successful with a very positive reaction to the online service GovernorHub offers. At Solihull Governor Services we are always looking for ways in which we can improve the service we provide to you and, as from 1st September 2018 we are going to be including GovernorHub as an option within our service package. GovernorHub will be populated with your governor information to help governing bodies use the service immediately it is online.

It has been decided that the system will be open to all Schools for the month of September. During that month you will be able to have full access to the service provided and see how it will help your governing body run efficiently. The service can help you communicate and store documents, membership details, meeting schedules and other information in one secure and accessible place. This should help to reduce significantly the amount of paper that needs to be printed for meeting documents and save you and your clerk time.

We think this is really significant step forward for our service and, even better, we have negotiated a significant discount for schools in Solihull in purchasing GovernorHub which normally costs £400+VAT per year per school if they do not go through a local authority or MAT. Instead it can be purchased as an option within our service package for a heavily subsidised cost of £50 for 2018-2019. Subsequent years will be an option at the cost of £120.

At the end of September, schools who have not returned the purchase option form will be switched off from their school's section of GovernorHub; any information stored will not be deleted, nor is it visible to Governor Services at any point. I attach a copy of the option form to be completed and returned to governorservices@solihull.gov.uk by Wednesday, 26th September.

Yours sincerely,

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