

# The Role of the School Advisory Council (SHSAC)

*Sacred Heart School Advisory Council is an Advisory Body*



***The SHSAC has, and will remain an advisory board to support the Parish Priest and Principal in their decision making. The Board plays an advisory role in the areas of accountability, monitoring and supervision, strategy formulation and policy making in three key dimensions: Strategic Direction, Financial (Fiduciary) and Generative (Stewardship of vision/mission/community).***

## **3 Key Roles - Responsibilities for School Advisory Councils**

1. **Strategic** – planning and improvement (linked to the Sandhurst Charter of Sandhurst School Improvement)
2. **Fiduciary** – Government funds, fees, infrastructure
3. **Generative** – giving life to people and their capacity (Stewardship Leadership focus)

## **Role and Function of the Board**

- Principles indicate a need to focus on the “Strategic” NOT the “Operational”

## **Key School Board Functions**

- Strategy – key driver for all functions
- Liaison with Principal
- Monitoring from an Advisory perspective
- Risk Management
- Policy Development and Ratification
- Networking
- Stakeholder Communications
- Decision Making