Buildings and Premises

Suggested Questions

**Maintenance:**

• Are the buildings in a good state of repair?

• Who maintains the buildings? Is this an appropriate arrangement? Could the school work in partnership with other schools to pool resources for site management?

• Does the school have a prioritised list of building repairs? Is there a schedule and do they have the money to stay on track for this?

• Are leaders aware of potential funding opportunities for building enhancements?

**Safeguarding and premises:**

• Is the school aware of potential risks and are they managing these appropriately?

• Are the school perimeter and entry points as secure as possible? Are there risk assessments in place to reduce risks as far as possible?

• Are there procedures in place regarding bomb threats, intruders and lockdown?

• Is there an emergency evacuation procedure in place and are there regular drills?

**Use of buildings:**

• Are all areas of the school being used to their full potential?

• How will projected pupil numbers impact on the use of the building over the coming years?

• Are there any facilities that the school is lacking? How could these be sourced? (For example, by securing funding or by working in partnership with outside providers.)

• Has the school explored the possibility of generating income by hiring out their facilities?

Insurance:

• Is appropriate insurance in place?