

Hitherfield Primary School and Children's Centre
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Membership of the Governing Body and Register of Business Interests 2025/2026

All Governors and Associate Members are required to declare any pecuniary or business interests on their appointment, and also are reminded to update this information at every meeting of the full Governing Body and its Committees. This published Register will be updated annually after the first meeting of the school year; however any changes made during the year will be recorded in the Minutes of the meeting at which they are declared. This register was updated in September 2024.

Co-opted Governors are appointed by the Governing Body
Local Authority governors are appointed by the Local Authority and the appointment confirmed by the Governing Body
Parent Governors are elected by the school's parents and carers
Staff Governors are elected by the school's staff other than the Headteacher whose place is automatic from start date in post unless a Headteacher declines it
Associate Members are not Governors, but may sit on one of the Committees of the Governing Body, and/or the full Governing Body, usually because they have specific skills. They can be appointed for between one and four years. Our Associate Members have been granted voting rights at Committees on certain issues, excluding financial or personnel matters, with effect from 1stJanuary 2016.

Appointed Governors

Name: Emily Andrews	Date of Appointment: 1st October 2023
Category of Governor: Co-opted	Term of Office: 01/10/2023 - 30/09/2027
Membership of Committees: Member and Vice Chair of Learning & Personal Development Committee	
Attendance:	Full GB: 2/2 L&PD: 2/2 Chairs: 2/2
Register of Interests for 2025/2026: None declared.	

Name: Christopher Ashley-Jones		Date of Appointment: 01 August 2006
Category of Governor: Staff (Executive Headteacher)		Term of Office: from 01/08/2006
Membership of Committees: Ex-officio member of the Learning & Personal Development Committee (L&PD) and Resources Committee, and the Children's Centre Partnership Committee. Member of the Chairs' Sub-Group.		
Attendance	Full GB: 2/2	Resources: 2/2 L&PD: 2/2 Pay: 1/1
	Chairs' Sub Group: 2/2	
Register of Interests for 2025/2026: Trustee, The Walcot Foundation.		

Name: Michael Ball		Date of Appointment: 30th June 2023
Category of Governor: Co-opted		Term of Office: 30/06/2023 – 29/06/2027
Membership of Committees: Member of the L&PD Committee		
Attendance:	Full GB: 2/2 L&PD: 1/1	
Register of Interests for 2025/2026: Trustee of Jubilee Gardens Charity Trust. Chair, Deputy Chair of Waterloo Community Development Group.		

Name: Tessa Crilly	Date of Appointment: 30th June 2023
Category of Governor: Co-opted	Term of Office: 30/06/2023 – 29/06/2027.
Membership of Committees: Ex-officio member of L&PD Committee and the Resources Committee. Chair of the Chairs' Sub-Group, Chair of the Pay Committee.	

Chair of the Governing Body.			
Attendance:	Full GB: 2/2	L&PD: 2/2	Resources; 2/2 Chairs Sub Group: 2/2 Pay: 1/1
Register of Interests for 2025/2026: Trustee of New London Music Association. Proprietor of Crystal Blue Consulting Ltd.			

Name: Phyllis Dunipace	Date of Appointment: 30th June 2023
Category of Governor: Co-opted	Term of Office: 30/06/23 - 29/06/2027
Membership of Committees: Member of the Resources Committee. Member and Chair of the Headteacher's Performance Management Committee. Member of the Pay Committee.	
Attendance:	Full GB: 2/2 Resources: 1/1
Register of Interests for 2025/2026: Member of Dunraven Education Trust.	

Name: Michael Elliott	Date of Appointment: 30th June 2023
Category of Governor: Co-opted	Term of Office: 30/06/2023 – 29/06/2027.
Membership of Committees: Member of the Resources Committee. Member of the Headteacher's Performance Management Committee.	
Attendance:	Full GB: 2/2 Resources: 2/2
Register of Interests for 2025/2026: None declared	

Name: Simon Hooberman	Date of Appointment: 1st September 2022
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Category of Governor: Local Authority		Term of Office: 02/09/2022 – 31/08/2026
Membership of Committees: Member of the Resources Committee and member of the Children's Centre Partnership Committee.		
Attendance	Full GB: 2/2	Resources: 1/1
<p>Register of Interests for 2025/2026: Proprietor of a company called PLT's, providing Admin Support and other services to a number of small charities and voluntary organisations and as Company Secretary of The Woodlawns Centre. Governor of Gipsy Hill Federation from 23/10/24 and its Vice-Chair from 27/11/2024 until closure of the Federation on 31/3/2025. Governor and Chair of Governors of Kingswood Primary School from 14/03/2025. Clerk to the Governing Boards of Granton Primary School, St Helen's Catholic Primary School, St. Andrew's Catholic Primary School, and St. Mary's Catholic Primary School. Independent Distributor, Utility Warehouse. Secretary, South East London Pool League.</p>		

Name: Dr Anna Hutchinson		Date of Appointment: 5th December 2022
Category of Governor: Parent Governor		Term of Office: 5/12/2022 -5/12/2026
Membership of Committees: Member of L&PD Committee		
Attendance:	Full GB: 1/2	L&PD: 1/2
Register of Interests for 2025/2026: Director of Integrated Psychology Clinic.		

Name: Jade Koch		Date of Appointment: 1st December 2021
Category of Governor: Parent Governor		Term of Office: 1/12/2021 - 30/11/2025
Membership of Committees: Member of L&PD Committee		
Attendance:	Full GB: 1/1 (until end of Term of Office)	L&PD: 2/2 (until Term of Office ended)

Register of Interests for 2025/2026: None declared.

Name: Robin Milton	Date of Appointment: 23rd May 2025
Category of Governor: Parent Governor	Term of Office: 23/05/25-22/05/25
Membership of Committees: Member of Resources Committee	
Attendance:	Full GB: 2/2 Resources: 2/2
Register of Interests for 2025/2026: None declared.	

Name: Nathan Parkes	Date of Appointment: 19th November 2024	
Category of Governor: Staff Governor	Term of Office: 19/11/24 - 18/11/28	
Membership of Committees: Member of L&PD Committee		
Attendance:	Full GB: 2/2	L&PD: 2/2
Register of Interests for 2025/2026: None declared.		

Name: Julia Patrick	Date of Appointment: 7 February 2022
Category of Governor: Co-opted	Term of Office: 07/02/2022 – 06/02/2026

<p>Membership of Committees: Member and Chair of the L&PD Committee. Member of the Chair's Sub Group, member of Headteacher's Performance Management Committee.</p>			
<p>Joint Vice Chair of the Governing Board.</p>			
Attendance:	Full GB: 2/2	L&PD: 2/2	Chairs' sub: 2/2
<p>Register of Interests for 2025/2026: Diary Manager to the Director General of the Families & Children's Group in the Department of Education.</p>			

Name: Mike Short	Date of Appointment: 10 October 2020		
Category of Governor: Parent	Term of Office: 10/10/2020 - 09/10/2024		
<p>Membership of Committees: Chair of the Resources Committee. Member of the Pay Committee and member of the Chairs' Sub Group.</p>			
<p>Joint Vice Chair of the Governing Board</p>			
Attendance	Full GB: 2/2	Resources: 2/2	Pay: 1/1
	Chairs' sub: 2/2		
<p>Register of Interests for 2025/2026: Trade Union official UNISON, Trustee of Local Government Information Unit (LGIU).</p>			

Name: Unta Taiwo	Date of Appointment: 31st October 2024	
Category of Governor: Parent Governor	Term of Office: 31/10/24 - 30/10/28	
<p>Membership of Committees: Member of L&PD Committee</p>		
Attendance:	Full GB: 2/2	L&PD: 0/2
<p>Register of Interests for 2025/2026: SENDCO at Hitherfield Primary School.</p>		

Name: Nicola Yarlett	Date of Appointment: 30th June 2023
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Category of Governor: Co-opted	Term of Office: 30/06/2023 – 29/06/2027.
Membership of Committees: Member of the Resources Committee	
Attendance:	Full GB: 2/2 Resources: 1/2
Register of Interests for 2025/2026: Trustee of Opus XVI Chamber Choir. Member of St Leonard's PCC (Parochial Church Council).	

Associate Members of the Governing Body

Name: Graham Lee	Date of Appointment: 4th July 2024
Category of Governor: Associate Member	Term of Office: 04/07/2024 – 03/07/2028 Previously Graham Lee had been a co-opted governor.
Membership of Committees: Member of the Resources Committee.	
Attendance:	Full GB: 2/2
Register of Interests for 2025/2026: None declared	

Name: Luke Parker	Date of Appointment: 01 January 2023
Category of Governor: Associate Member	Term of Office: 01/10/2023 - 31/12/2026
Membership of Committees: Associate Member of FGB and both main committees.	
Attendance:	Full GB: 2/2 LAPD: 1/2 Resources: 2/2
Register of Interests for 2025/2026: Head of School, Hitherfield Primary School & Children's Centre.	

Name: Arlette Wells	Date of Appointment: 01 September 2024
Category of Governor: Associate Member	Term of Office: 01/09/2024 – 30/08/2028. Reappointed with term of office 05/07/2024 - 04/07/2024
Membership of Committees: Associate Member of the full Governing Body and the Resources Committee	
Attendance:	Full GB: N/A Resources: 2/2
Register of Interests for 2025/2026: School Business Manager of Hitherfield Primary School & Children's Centre.	

Name: Cara Williams	Date of Appointment: 01 December 2025
Category of Governor: Parent Governor	Term of Office: 01/12/2025 – 30/11/2029.
Membership of Committees:	
Attendance:	Full GB: 1/1
Register of Interests for 2025/2026: None.	

Clerk to the Governing body

Name: Katy Byrne	Date of Appointment:	
Category of Governor: N/A	Term of Office: N/A	
Membership of Committees: All meetings of the full Governing Body are clerked and such other meetings as may from time to time be required.		
Attendance:	Full GB: 2/2	

Register of Interests for 2025/2026: Clerk to the Governing Body of Bishop Thomas Grant Secondary School.