

The Observatory School Governing Body Register of Interests 2025-26

Governors and staff are advised to include interests of both themselves, any member of their immediate family (including partners). Completion of this register does not remove the legal duty upon governors and staff to declare personal interest in any item of business at a meeting and for the governor concerned to withdraw whilst the matter is considered.

Name	Type of Governor	Business Interest(s)	Name of Establishment	Personal Relationship(s) with school staff	Governor/Trustee at any other school/academy or Charity	Voting Rights
Gregory Chiswell	Headteacher	Wife employed by Local Authority	Wirral Borough Council	None	Park Primary School (Governor)	Yes
Jane Owens MBE FRSA	Local Authority	Owner/Director	Purple Governance Limited	None	Oak Trees MAT (Member and Chair of Trustees) Peninsula MAT (Member) Weaver Trust (Member) The Mosslands School (Chair of Governors) Greenbank Primary School (Chair of Governors) Trinity Catholic Primary Academy (Chair of Governors) Mighty Oaks (Trustee)	Yes
Duncan Haworth MBE	Co-opted	Owner	Whieldon Blythe	None	Woodfall Primary & Nursery School (Governor)	Yes

					Neston High School (Governor) Ysgol Sandycroft (Governor) Peninsular MAT (Member) The Mosslands School (Governor) CWAC School Forum (Chair) CWAC Special Needs Overview Committee (Committee Member)	
Jacqui Kearney	Co-opted	None	None	None	None	Yes
Matthew Lord	Co-opted	None	None	None	Weaver Trust (Trustee)	Yes
Kevin Smith	Co-opted	None	None	None	Church Drive Primary School (Governor) RFS Pension Scheme (Trustee)	Yes
Audrey Houghton	Co-opted	None	None	None	Park Primary School (Governor)	Yes
Joanne McNeil	Parent	None	None	None	Devonshire Park Primary (Governor)	Yes
Kishan Bhalsod	Staff	None	None	None	None	Yes
Miranda Birtles	Parent	None	None	None	None	Yes
Adrian Whiteley	Co-opted	Non-Executive Director Headteacher at another Wirral School	Edsential The Mosslands School	None	The Mosslands School (Governor)	Yes

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