



(A Church of England Schools Trust)

### Governance Structure and Register of Interests – Updated April 2025

The Academy Trust aims to serve its communities by providing an education of the highest quality within the context of Christian belief and practice. It encourages an understanding of the meaning and significance of faith and promotes Christian and moral values through the experience it offers to all its pupils.

#### Trust Members

Name	Category	Appointing Body and date	Positions of Responsibility	Relevant Business Interests or governance roles in other educational establishments	Relevant Relationships
	Member	Diocesan Corporate Member	None		
David Thorpe	Member	Diocesan Corporate Member Representative – 01.01.2015	None	Diocesan Adviser PCC Member/Trustee of St. Luke's Eccleston	None
Paul Smalley	Member	Diocesan Corporate Member Representative – 08.04.2022	None	Trustee of the Inter Faith Network for the UK; Trustee of the RE Council of England and Wales; Trustee of the Warrington Church of England Educational Trust; Executive Assistant of NASACRE; Senior Lecturer Edge Hill University	None
Caroline Cowburn	Member	University Sponsor Member – 18.03.2025	None	Assistant Vice Chancellor of University of Greater Manchester	None
Dr Greg Walker	Member	University Sponsor Communicant Member – 22.11.2021	None	University Academic Leader	None

**Trust Board of Trustees**

The Board of Trustees will ensure clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction; hold senior leaders to account for the educational performance of all academies and their pupils and the performance management of staff; and will oversee the financial performance of the Academy Trust making sure its money is well spent.

<b>Trustee's Name</b>	<b>Crispin Pailing</b>
<b>Category</b>	Trustee
<b>Date of Appointment</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> January 2022
<b>Appointing Body</b>	Academy Trust Members
<b>Term of Office</b>	4 years
<b>Governance Positions of Responsibility</b>	Chair of Board of Trustees – Equality & Mental Health Champion/Performance Management Committee
<b>Relevant Business Interests or governance roles in other educational establishments</b>	Trustee/Director of Mission in the Economy; Albert Dock Charitable Trust; Blitz Memorial Appeal; Local Solutions; Mersey Mission to Seafarers; Royal Liverpool Seamen's Orphanage Institute; Early Music as Education; Battle of the Atlantic Memorial. Trustee of Micah Liverpool; Parochial Church Council of Liverpool Parish Church; Molyneux and Warbrick Charity
<b>Relevant Relationships</b>	None
<b>Attendance Record – 2024/25 Academic Year</b>	

<b>Trustee's Name</b>	<b>Andrew Roberts</b>
<b>Category</b>	Trustee
<b>Date of Appointment</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> August 2020 – Re-appointed 1 <sup>st</sup> August 2024
<b>Appointing Body</b>	University of Greater Manchester Sponsor
<b>Term of Office</b>	4 years
<b>Governance Positions of Responsibility</b>	Vice-Chair of Board of Trustees – RAR Committee Chair/Performance Management Committee
<b>Relevant Business Interests or governance roles in other educational establishments</b>	Director of: Victoria Road (Avonmouth) Management Company; Bolton College; Network Sales & Solutions Ltd; Videonations Ltd; Nycomm Ltd; Nycomm Holdings Ltd; FMP Leisure Services Ltd; Yealink (UK) Ltd; The Whitehorse Project; Pennine Communications Ltd; Interquartz (UK) Ltd; Avoira Ltd; Co-Channel Electronics Ltd. Trustee of: The White Horse Project; The Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St. Mary, Rawtenstall; Chair of Governors Bolton College; Governor University of Greater Manchester. Fellow RSA; Fellow IET Shareholder of: Nycomm Holdings Ltd; FMP Leisure Services Ltd
<b>Relevant Relationships</b>	None
<b>Attendance Record – 2024/25 Academic Year</b>	

<b>Trustee's Name</b>	<b>Stephen Derringer</b>
<b>Category</b>	Trustee
<b>Date of Appointment</b>	29 <sup>th</sup> November 2022
<b>Appointing Body</b>	Academy Trust Members
<b>Term of Office</b>	Term 4 Years
<b>Governance Positions of Responsibility</b>	Educational Standards Committee/Pay & Remuneration Committee
<b>Relevant Business Interests or governance roles in other educational establishments</b>	Director for Liverpool Diocesan Board of Finance. Director for the Liverpool Diocesan Educational Trust.
<b>Relevant Relationships</b>	None
<b>Attendance Record – 2024/25 Academic Year</b>	

<b>Trustee's Name</b>	<b>Ibrahim Ismail</b>
<b>Category</b>	Trustee
<b>Date of Appointment</b>	20 <sup>th</sup> April 2023
<b>Appointing Body</b>	Academy Trust Members
<b>Term of Office</b>	4 Years
<b>Governance Positions of Responsibility</b>	Resources, Audit & Risk Committee (RAR)/Performance Management Committee/People Committee
<b>Relevant Business Interests or governance roles in other educational establishments</b>	Director – Myhome/Mycare Ltd.
<b>Relevant Relationships</b>	None
<b>Attendance Record – 2024/25 Academic Year</b>	

<b>Trustee's Name</b>	<b>Sue Darbyshire</b>
<b>Category</b>	Trustee
<b>Date of Appointment</b>	22 <sup>nd</sup> February 2024
<b>Appointing Body</b>	Academy Trust Members
<b>Term of Office</b>	4 Years
<b>Governance Positions of Responsibility</b>	CP/Safeguarding/Prevent/Children Looked After (LAC)/ Pay & Remuneration Committee/RAR Committee/ Educational Standards Committee (Chair)
<b>Relevant Business Interests or governance roles in other educational establishments</b>	CEO Community First Academy Trust Lead of Kingsbridge EIP SCITT Wigan Education Partnership Board School Improvement Lead on the School Improvement Board Wigan LA - Children & Young Peoples Strategic Alliance
<b>Relevant Relationships</b>	None
<b>Attendance Record – 2024/25 Academic Year</b>	

<b>Trustee's Name</b>	<b>Craig Lomas</b>
<b>Category</b>	Trustee
<b>Date of Appointment</b>	16 <sup>th</sup> February 2024
<b>Appointing Body</b>	University of Greater Manchester Sponsor
<b>Term of Office</b>	4 Years
<b>Governance Positions of Responsibility</b>	Secondary Education/Educational Standards Committee/Pay & Remuneration Committee
<b>Relevant Business Interests or governance roles in other educational establishments</b>	Senior Lecturer at the University of Greater Manchester
<b>Relevant Relationships</b>	None
<b>Attendance Record – 2024/25 Academic Year</b>	

<b>Trustee's Name</b>	<b>Professor Geoff Baker</b>
<b>Category</b>	Trustee
<b>Date of Appointment</b>	9 <sup>th</sup> May 2023
<b>Appointing Body</b>	University of Greater Manchester Sponsor
<b>Term of Office</b>	4 Years
<b>Governance Positions of Responsibility</b>	Resource, Audit & Risk Committee (RAR)/SEND and G&T/ Educational Standards Committee
<b>Relevant Business Interests or governance roles in other educational establishments</b>	Senior Lecturer at Bolton University
<b>Relevant Relationships</b>	None
<b>Attendance Record – 2024/25 Academic Year</b>	


<b>Trustee's Name</b>	<b>Jo Buckley</b>
<b>Category</b>	Trustee
<b>Date of Appointment</b>	26 <sup>th</sup> November 2024
<b>Appointing Body</b>	Academy Trust Members
<b>Term of Office</b>	4 Years
<b>Governance Positions of Responsibility</b>	People Committee – from Sept 2025
<b>Relevant Business Interests or governance roles in other educational establishments</b>	
<b>Relevant Relationships</b>	None
<b>Attendance Record – 2024/25 Academic Year</b>	


<b>Trustee's Name</b>	<b>Dr Rachel Bibby</b>
<b>Category</b>	Trustee
<b>Date of Appointment</b>	26 <sup>th</sup> November 2024
<b>Appointing Body</b>	Academy Trust Members
<b>Term of Office</b>	4 Years
<b>Governance Positions of Responsibility</b>	People Committee – from Sept 2025
<b>Relevant Business Interests or governance roles in other educational establishments</b>	
<b>Relevant Relationships</b>	
<b>Attendance Record – 2024/25 Academic Year</b>	


<b>Resources, Audit &amp; Risk Committee</b>	<b>Pay and Remuneration Committee</b>	<b>Educational Standards Committee</b>	<b>Performance Management Committee</b>	<b>People Committee (September 2025)</b>
Dr. A. Roberts	Mr. S. Derringer	Mrs. S. Darbyshire (Chair)	Dr. C. Pailing	Mr. I. Ismail
Professor. G. Baker	Mrs. S. Darbyshire	Mr. S. Derringer	Dr. A. Roberts	Mrs. J Buckley
Mr. I. Ismail	Mr. C. Lomas	Professor G. Baker	Mr. I. Ismail	Mrs. R. Bibby
Mrs. S. Darbyshire		Mr. C. Lomas		
			<i>External Advisor to Board</i>	
<i>In Advisory Role – CFO</i>	<i>In Advisory Role – CEO/CFO</i>	<i>In Advisory Role – CEO/DCEO</i>	<i>In Advisory Role – CEO</i>	<i>In Advisory Role - CFO</i>


*Adhoc committees – Staff Disciplinary; Pupil Discipline; Complaints; Appeals – Trustees with no prior knowledge will be called alphabetically to form the committee.*

Local Governing Boards (LGB) are responsible for ensuring that each Academy is conducted in accordance with its ethos and values.

 <b>Hindley Green</b> Community Primary School	LGB Representative	Date Appointed (4 Year Term)	Appointing Body	Position of Responsibility	Declaration of Business Interests and/or relevant relationships	Attendance Record
	TO BE APPOINTED		Board of Trustees	Chair		
	Mrs. C Fletcher	01.09.2024	Ex-officio	Headteacher	None	
	Mrs. F Brown	10.02.2025	Elected by staff	Teacher	None	
	Mrs. J Bannister	11.01.2023 (01.01.2019)	Elected by Parents	None	Teacher – Leader of Health	
	Mr. A Bevan	13.10.2023	Elected by Parents	None	Teaching Assistant – St. Peter’s Hindley	
	Mrs. S Cartwright	01.04.2023	Board of Trustees		Teaching Assistant – St Peter’s Hindley	
	Mr. T Pemberton	10.03.2025	Board of Trustees		Provides First Aid Training across the Trust schools and Martial Arts Clubs to pupils	
	Nominee Submitted	Jenny Prince	Board of Trustees			
	Nominee Submitted	Amanda Pagett	Board of Trustees			

 <b>St. John's</b> C. of E. Primary School	LGB Representative	Date Appointed (4 Year Term)	Appointing Body	Position of Responsibility	Declaration of Business Interests and/or relevant relationships	Attendance Record
	TO BE APPOINTED		Board of Trustees	Chair		
	Mrs. R Bear	01.09.2024	Ex-officio	Head of School	None	
	Mrs. A Naylor	23.03.2023	Elected by staff	Teacher	Governor at Sacred Heart Primary School, Hindley Green	
	Mr. S Cadwell	19.01.2022	Elected by Parents	None	Teacher	
	Mrs. S Walls	18.10.2023	Elected by Parents	None		
	Mrs. V Parr	28.11.2023	Board of Trustees	None		
	Nominee Submitted		Board of Trustees			
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	VACANCY		Board of Trustees			

 <b>St. Peter's</b> C. of E. Primary School	LGB Representative	Date Appointed (4 Year Term)	Appointing Body	Position of Responsibility	Declaration of Business Interests and/or relevant relationships	Attendance Record
	TO BE APPOINTED		Board of Trustees	Chair		
	Mr. S Eccles	01.09.2024	Ex-officio	Head of School	None	
	Mrs. E. Blundell	17.03.2025	Elected by staff	Teacher	None	
	VACANCY					
	Mr. C Hinchcliffe	22.11.2022	Elected by Parents	None	None	
	Mr. P. Hurst	01.01.2023 (01.01.2015)	Board of Trustees	None	Trustee of Hindley Community Association	
	Mr. K. Hayes	07.07.2020 (07.07.2016)	Board of Trustees	None	Director of St. Peter's Pavilion	
	VACANCY		Board of Trustees			
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 <b>St John's</b> C. of E. Primary School	LGB Representative	Date Appointed (4 Year Term)	Appointing Body	Position of Responsibility	Declaration of Business Interests and/or relevant relationships	Attendance Record
	TO BE APPOINTED			Chair		
	Miss. L Gatley	01.09.2024	Ex-Officio	Head of School	None	
	Mrs. V Aindow	10.03.2025	Elected by staff	Teacher		
	Mr. R Kitchen	22.10.2024	Elected by Parents	Parent		
	VACANCY		Elected by Parents	Parent		
	Mrs. S Arnold	19.03.24	Board of Trustees	None	Wigan LA – School Improvement Co-ordinator	
	Mr. D Baxter	18.03.2020 (16.03.2016)	Board of Trustees	None	Trustee – Healthwatch Wigan & Leigh. Member of GM Social Enterprise Action Group; Member of Wigan Council's Community Wealth building and partnership. Member of the Local Area Board at Platt Bridge Community School.	
	Mr. S Entwistle	23.11.2021	Board of Trustees	None	None	
	Mr. S Broad	29.11.2022	Board of Trustees	None	Director/Trustee – Abram Community Centre Ltd.	





LGB Representative	Date Appointed (4 Year Term)	Appointing Body	Position of Responsibility	Declaration of Business Interests and/or relevant relationships	Attendance Record
Mr. S Leahey	26.11.2024	Board of Trustees	Chair	Work as a consultant for Leigh Academies Trust and as an Educational Advisor for Baker Dearing Educational Trust	
Mr. J Inman	01.09.2024	Ex-Officio	Headteacher		
Mr. P Rawlinson		Elected by Staff	Staff (Teacher)		
Mrs. L Handfield		Elected by Parents	Parent		
VACANCY		Elected by Parents			
Mr. I Grant	10.03.2025	Board Appointee			
Mrs. K Glover	04.03.2025	Sponsor Representative			
Mrs. S Jangharia	13.02.2025	Sponsor Representative	Representative – University of Greater Manchester		
Mrs. D McBride	10.03.2025	Sponsor Representative			
VACANCY		Sponsor Representative			
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