

Governor Profiles

Nigel Chilman

I was born and bred in Kidderminster. After attending Franche County Primary School, I was educated at King Charles I Grammar School. I left school at 16 and was taken on as an apprentice with the Post Office or BT as it is now known. I worked for BT almost 39 years and on leaving had reached the grade of Senior Manager in Customer Service.

My wife and I have 2 daughters and 4 grandchildren. My main social interest is walking but I also like watching sport. I am keen to deliver to the best of my ability for all the children of Sutton Park Primary RSA Academy in my role as Governor.

Mike Cornforth

I worked as a teaching assistant in an East London school for 10 years, predominately working with children with additional needs, before moving with my wife and children to Kidderminster in 2015. I am now a Support Worker for Adults with Learning Disabilities, helping them to live as independently as their disabilities allow. It is a very worthwhile and fulfilling role

My wife is a teacher at Sutton Park Primary RSA, and together we are adoptive parents to 4 children.

I applied to become a governor at Sutton Park as I believe working in an East London School has given my invaluable experience and knowledge that I can share with the governing body and the school. Also, my experience of children in care will prove invaluable. I hope to make a positive contribution.

Angela Crawley

As the Executive Principal of the school I feel that it is very important that I am both supporting the Governors and being held to account by them as to how the school is moving forward. I am fully involved in the strategic planning for the future development of Sutton Park Primary RSA Academy.

Andy Hogarth

I qualified as a Chartered Certified Accountant 30 years ago and am a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts (RSA). I have recently become CEO of the domiciliary health care company Helping Hands and am a non-executive director of a stockbroker, finnCap Group, based in London. I am also chairman of an IT software consultancy and, with my wife Helena, own Hogarths Stone Manor and Hogarths Solihull. Helena and I have two children, Toby and Imogen, and live in Solihull. I first became a Governor of two RSA schools in Redditch before moving to Sutton Park Primary RSA Academy in 2019.

Katherine Maynereid

I qualified as a solicitor in 2001 and, having worked in High Wycombe for three years moved up to Kidderminster with my family in 2004. I work for a local firm of solicitors and specialise in Criminal Law. I am a Duty Solicitor and represent people at police stations and local courts.

My son is currently in Year 5 at Sutton Park. When he first started school I became a member of the PTA in order to assist other parents in raising much needed funds for the school. I enjoy helping out at school events and will continue to do so.

I applied to become a Governor at Sutton Park as I wanted to be able to make a positive contribution to the school and wider community. I am pleased to have been given the opportunity to join the Board of Governors and although I have not worked in Education, I believe my legal skills and experience will augment the governing team.

I have been the Chair of the Local Academy Governing Board since September 2019.

Chris Passey

I have been Deputy Head of Kimichi School (an Independent Music Specialist School) for four years and my additional roles as Deputy Safeguarding Lead and SENCO means I have a broad overview of the incredibly important role an effective Governing body has in a successful school.

I am a Fellow of the RSA through my work in the community within the performing arts. I am the Head of The Musical Theatre Institute of Birmingham and London and enjoy co-directing my professional choir, Birmingham Voices, who appear regularly around the UK with some of the best singers in the world including Josh Groban, Katherine Jenkins and Russell Watson, as well as the odd appearance on Songs of Praise.

My career is varied and exciting and is something I wish to channel into the life of Sutton Park. I'm incredibly excited for the future and look forward to working with the whole school.

Anna Robinson

I have worked as a family solicitor locally for the last ten years, starting my career with a firm based in Kidderminster town centre. I specialise in all matters relating to the breakdown of relationships, financial matters on separation and the contact/care arrangements for children. I deal with extremely sensitive issues as part of my job and believe that my skills and experience will complement my role as Safeguarding Lead within the Governing body.

I applied to become a Governor at Sutton Park as I feel that I could make a positive contribution to the school and the wider community. I believe that the school has

huge role to play for the children and their families and I am grateful for the opportunity to work with the other Governors.

Richard Skilbeck

I am currently Assistant Head of Sixth Form and Deputy Director of Music at Edgbaston High School for Girls. Combining these pastoral and academic roles across age ranges from 5 to 18 is truly beneficial in gaining a broad and balanced view of childrens' progression within education. I have previously worked as a Choir Master, Head of Vocal Studies and have also worked in higher education.

Outside of school I am co-director of the professional choir "Birmingham Voices" and enjoy our national concert performances and TV appearances with luminaries such as Josh Groban, Katherine Jenkins, Russell Watson and Kerry Ellis. I also work as a freelance musical director, singing teacher and trumpeter.

I have continued to strive to keep both areas of my professional life in balance and I look forward to working with the excellent team at Sutton Park to contribute in any way I can.

Lorna Weatherby

As Head of School I feel my role is to support Angela, our Executive Principal, and the Governors in improving life at Sutton Park for our pupils. I provide the Governors with the necessary information about a variety of school matters. I also ensure the Governors are up to date with initiatives in school.