



St Catherine's

*Specialists in Speech, Language and
Communication Needs*

School - College - Post 19

INFORMATION RELATING TO ST CATHERINE'S GOVERNORS/ TRUSTEES 2023-24 AS AT APRIL 2024

Background

St Catherine's is a registered charity and company limited by guarantee which runs a non-maintained residential special school and sixth form college for children and young people. We currently support students aged 9 to 19 with severe and lifelong speech, language and communication needs.

Overview of governance

The charity currently has 13 trustees who also serve as governors of the school, alongside 3 governors. Details relating to the current trustee/governor board are set out below, together with information relating to trustees/governors who have resigned in the period since September 2022.

In the 2022-23 academic year, there were:

- four meetings of the Full Board;
- six meetings of the Children & Learning Committee, a sub-group of the Board;
- five meetings of the Finance & General Purposes Committee, a sub-group of the Board;
and
- four meetings of the Post 19 Committee, a sub-group of the Board.

The table gives trustees'/governors' attendance at trustee/governor meetings. Attendance figures are given separately for the Committee meetings and Full Board meetings, while attendance is calculated out of the maximum number of trustee/governor meetings a trustee/governor can attend. That is to say, if a trustee joins after the start of the school year, their attendance is calculated from that point onwards rather than from the start of the school year.

About St Catherine's trustees/governors 2023-2024

Please note that the members highlighted in red have now resigned from the Board.

Name	Category	Service history	Committee service/role	Relevant roles or interests	Attendance at meetings (%)
Henry Blacksell	Appointed trustee & governor	Elected 22/02/2024	Member of the Board and Member of the Finance and General Purposes Committee	Volunteer at Shalfleet Primary School	N/A
Susan Churches	Appointed trustee & governor	Elected 17/11/2022	Member of the Board and member of Post 19 Committee	Head of Student Services at Isle of Wight College	Post 19 – 50% Full Board – 0%
Dudley Delannoy	Elected trustee & governor	Elected 14/05/2021 Resigned 15/12/2023	Member of the Board and member of the Children & Learning Committee	None	Children and Learning – 50% Full Board – 25%
Danny Carmichael	Trustee and governor	Elected 20/10/2023	Member of the Board and member of the Post 19 Committee	None	N/A
Peter Elliott	Elected trustee & governor	Elected 6/11/2020	Member of the Board and member of the Children & Learning Committee	None	Children and Learning – 83% Post 19 – 75% Full Board – 50%
Tony Flower	Elected trustee & governor	Elected 2007 Date last re-elected 2020	Member of the Board and member of the Finance & General Purposes Committee	Daughter-in-law is a teacher at St Catherine's – Amie Flower	Finance and General Purposes – 80% Full Board – 75%
Martyn Heather	Elected trustee & governor	Elected 14 th May 2021	Member of the Board and member of the Children & Learning Committee	None	Children and Learning – 83% Full Board – 50%
Karl Hunter	Parent governor	Elected 20/10/2023	Member of the Board and member of the Children and Learning Committee	None	N/A

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	Hayley Jarvis	Elected trustee & governor	Elected 14 th May 2021	Member of the Board and member of the Children & Learning Committee	Teacher at Manor Green School	Children and Learning – 100% Full Board – 100%
	Barbara Kelly	Appointed trustees & governor	Elected 14 th May 2021 Resigned 24 th May 2023	Member of the Board and member of the Post 19 committee	None	Post 19 - 100% Full Board – 33%
	Katy Kidd	Staff Governor	Elected 8 th March 2024	Member of the Board and member of Children and Learning Committee	None	N/A
	Dan Kitcher	Elected trustee & governor	Elected July 2017 Re-elected May 2021 Resigned 31 st August 2022	Member of the Board and Chair of the Post-19 Committee	None	Post 19 – 50% Full Board – 25%
	Sarah Loftus <i>(currently on sabbatical)</i>	Elected trustee & governor	Elected 06/11/20	Member of Board and Chair of the Children & Learning Committee	Married to Michael Loftus	Children and Learning – 100% Full Board – 50%
	Michael Loftus <i>(currently on sabbatical)</i>	Elected trustee & governor	Elected 11/11/22	Member of Board and Finance & General Purposes	Married to Sarah Loftus	Finance and General Purposes – 100% Full Board – 50%
	Victoria Middleton	Staff Governor (Head of Care)	Elected 11/11/22 Resigned 8/03/24	Member of Board and Children and Learning Committee	None	Children and Learning – 100% Full Board – 100%

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	John Metcalfe <i>(on sabbatical from April 2022 – May 2023)</i>	Elected trustee & governor	Elected 3/10/13 Date last re-elected 2017 Re-elected May 2021 Elected Vice-Chair May 2021	Vice Chair of the Board and member of the Finance and General Purposes		Finance and General – 100% Full Board – 100%
	Clive Powe	Appointed trustee & governor	Elected 14 th May 2021 Resigned 31 st August 2023	Member of the Board and member of the Post 19 Committee	None	Post 19 – 100% Full Board – 0%
	Graham Pengelly	Elected trustee & governor	Elected 1996 Date last re-elected 2020 Elected Chair of the Board May 2021	Chair of the Board. Member of Post 19 and Chair of the Finance and General Purposes Committees	None	Finance and General Purposes – 100% Post 19 – 100% Full Board – 100%
	Mark Rhodes	Elected trustee & governor	Elected July 2022	Member of the Board and the Finance and General Purposes Committee	None	<i>On sabbatical Academic Year 2022/2023</i>
	Sarah Thompson	Governor (Principal)	Elected 23 rd March 2020	Member of the Board, Finance & General Purposes Committee, Children and Learning Committee and Post 19 Committee	Sister is a care support worker at St Catherine's - Angela Wadmore	Post 19 – 100% Children and Learning – 100% Finance and General Purposes – 100% Full Board – 100%
	Caroline Weeks	Appointed trustee & governor	Elected 14/05/2021	Member of the Board and member of Finance & General Purposes Committee	Governor at Yarmouth and Shalfleet Federation Schools	Children and Learning – 83% Full Board – 25%
	Roger Wiltshire	Parent Governor	Elected 14 May 2021	Member of the Board and Children and Learning Committee	None	Children and Learning – 33% Post 19 – 50% Full Board – 75%