

Countesthorpe Academy

Register of interests

A register of interests for the selected board. Maintained schools can use this as their register of interests but please make sure you remove any GovernorHub users who don't need to appear on the register. Trusts need to combine all boards and add details of Members and senior employees.

Current governing board

Name and appointment	Confirmed	Interests				
		Organisation	Type of interest	Notes	From	To
Name: Catherine Aitcheson Appointment: Headteacher Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: -	<i>Confirmed:</i> 05/11/2025	LIFE MAT	Employee	Head Teacher at Countesthorpe Academy	-	-
Name: Andrew (Andy) Berrill Appointment: Community governor Term of office start: 20/11/2025 Term of office end: 19/11/2029 Appointed by: LGB	<i>Nothing to Declare:</i> 26/01/2026	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Alison Bluff Appointment: Community governor Term of office start: 25/01/2024 Term of office end: 24/01/2028 Appointed by: Trust Board	<i>Confirmed:</i> 14/11/2025	University of Leicester	Employee	-	-	-
	<i>Confirmed:</i> 14/11/2025	Kilby CofE Primary School	Governor & Chair of finance committee	-	-	-

	Confirmed: 14/11/2025	ICAEW	Member	-	-	-
Name: Elias Chidavaenzi Appointment: Community governor Term of office start: 11/09/2025 Term of office end: 10/09/2029 Appointed by: LGB	Nothing to Declare: 11/09/2025	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Tenisha Kirk Appointment: Staff (Support) Governor Term of office start: 11/09/2025 Term of office end: 22/06/2029 Appointed by: staff	Not Confirmed	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Abigail (Abbey) Stewart Appointment: Parent governor Term of office start: 03/02/2025 Term of office end: 02/02/2029 Appointed by: -	Confirmed: 17/11/2025	Granby Primary School	Other governance role	Chair of Governors	-	-
	Confirmed: 17/11/2025	Into the Woods Forest School (employee)	Business or finance interests	Forest School Practitioner	-	-
	Confirmed: 17/11/2025	102nd Aylestone Scouts	Personal or close family relationship	Group volunteer - some of our scouts attend Countesthorpe Academy	20/03/2020	-
Name: John Taylor Appointment: Community governor Term of office start: 19/06/2025 Term of office end: 18/06/2026 Appointed by: Governors	Confirmed: 24/09/2025	TaylorGill	Director	Educational consultancy	01/01/2011	-

	<i>Confirmed:</i> 24/09/2025	Countesthorpe Academy	Governor	-	22/12/2020	-
Name: Katie Wilkins Appointment: Community governor Term of office start: 11/09/2025 Term of office end: 10/09/2029 Appointed by: LGB	<i>Not Confirmed</i>	-	-	-	-	-

Other positions

Name and appointment	Confirmed	Interests				
		Organisation	Type of interest	Notes	From	To
Name: Damian Thurston Appointment: Other Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: -	<i>Not Confirmed</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Jacqueline Walker Appointment: Clerk Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: -	<i>Confirmed:</i> 05/11/2025	Jacqueline Walker Admin. & Clerking Services	Sole trader	Provision of clerking services to Countesthorpe Academy and other schools in Leicestershire.	01/06/2016	-
Name: Gareth Williams Appointment: Executive Headteacher Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: -	<i>Nothing to Declare:</i> 30/10/2025	-	-	-	-	-

Historical positions

Name and appointment	Confirmed	Interests				
		Organisation	Type of interest	Notes	From	To
Name: Joel Sherrard Appointment: <i>Community governor</i> Term of office start: 14/02/2025 Term of office end: 13/02/2029 Appointed by: LGB Effective removal date: 22/01/2026		-	-	-	-	-
Name: Ann Melville Appointment: <i>Community governor</i> Term of office start: 11/09/2025 Term of office end: 19/12/2025 Appointed by: LGB Effective removal date: 19/12/2025	<i>Confirmed:</i> 08/11/2025	Leicestershire County Council	Related to Director of Children and Families	Mother of Director	-	-
Name: Kevin Kinsella Appointment: <i>Parent governor</i> Term of office start: 17/11/2022 Term of office end: 21/11/2025 Appointed by: LGB Effective removal date: 21/11/2025	<i>Confirmed:</i> 30/01/2025	Virtual School, Leicester City Council	Employee		-	-
Name: Catherine Roper Appointment: - Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 06/09/2025		-	-	-	-	-
Name: Joe Sheahan Appointment: <i>Community governor</i> Term of office start: 02/02/2021 Term of office end: 01/02/2025 Appointed by: LGB Effective removal date: 01/02/2025	<i>Confirmed:</i> 28/11/2024	Beaumont Leys School	Employee	Deputy Business Manager	27/08/2013	-

	<i>Confirmed:</i> 28/11/2024	Beaumont Leys School	Clerk to Governors		06/09/2016	-
Name: Natasha Lee Appointment: Community governor Term of office start: 23/05/2024 Term of office end: 22/05/2028 Appointed by: Local Governing Board Effective removal date: 22/01/2025						
	<i>Confirmed:</i> 09/03/2023	British Standards Institute	Government Development Lead		-	-
Name: Andrew Cooling Appointment: Community governor Term of office start: 17/11/2022 Term of office end: 16/11/2026 Appointed by: Local Governing Board Effective removal date: 28/11/2024						
Name: Chris Worth Appointment: Parent governor Term of office start: 17/11/2022 Term of office end: - Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 28/06/2024						
Name: Anthony Widdowson Appointment: Community governor Term of office start: 15/06/2023 Term of office end: 14/06/2027 Appointed by: LGB Effective removal date: 25/03/2024						
	<i>Confirmed:</i> 11/09/2022	Old Mill Primary School	Employee	Lunchtime Supervisor	-	-
Name: Jane Chinery Appointment: Community governor Term of office start: 01/03/2020 Term of office end: 29/02/2024 Appointed by: Trust Board Effective removal date: 29/02/2024						
	<i>Confirmed:</i> 08/09/2022	LIFE MAT	Employee	Teacher of science at Countesthorpe and Bosworth Academies	-	-
Name: Emily Coulson Appointment: Staff (Teaching) Governor Term of office start: 12/05/2022 Term of office end: 25/01/2024 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 25/01/2024						

Name: Lize Mills Appointment: Associate Member Term of office start: 17/11/2022 Term of office end: 16/11/2026 Appointed by: LGB Effective removal date: 05/06/2023	Not Confirmed	De Montfort University	Lecturer		-	-
Name: Stella Busson Appointment: Staff (Support) Governor Term of office start: 01/03/2020 Term of office end: 29/02/2024 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 25/05/2023	Confirmed: 02/02/2023	LIFE MAT	Employee	Teacher of English at Countesthorpe Academy	-	-
Name: Carly Holmes Appointment: Community governor Term of office start: 01/11/2022 Term of office end: 31/10/2026 Appointed by: LGB Effective removal date: 05/05/2023	Confirmed: 12/09/2022	LIFE MAT	Employee	Head of English at Winstanley School	-	-
Name: Julie Wilkins Appointment: Other Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 12/12/2022	Confirmed: 15/09/2022	Education	Self employed	Clerk at other schools and academies	-	-
	Confirmed: 15/09/2022	Education	Family	Daughter works at the School-	-	-
Name: Stephanie Hemming Appointment: Parent governor Term of office start: 01/12/2021 Term of office end: 30/11/2025 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 11/11/2022	Not Confirmed	Leicestershire County Council	Employee	Social Work Co-ordinator within Children and Families Services	-	-
	Not Confirmed	Bower House, Market H'boro.	Trainee Counsellor		-	-

Name: Gareth Williams Appointment: Executive Headteacher Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 07/11/2022		-	-	-	-	-
Name: Liz Warren Appointment: Trustee Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 13/10/2022	Not Confirmed	Ludus Associates Ltd	Education Consultancy		01/05/2020	-
Name: Andy Smith Appointment: Trustee Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 13/10/2022	Not Confirmed	Global Vac Forming Ltd	Employee	Manufacturers of plastic packaging. Not normally supplying goods or services to the Trust or any of the associated schools.	-	-
Name: Chris Parkinson Appointment: CEO Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 13/10/2022	Not Confirmed	Whole Education Trust	Unpaid board member		01/09/2022	-
Name: David Noble Appointment: Member Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 13/10/2022		-	-	-	-	-
Name: Liam McDonagh Appointment: Trustee Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 13/10/2022	Not Confirmed	Access Group	Employee	I work within Access Group's 'Not-For-Profit & Education' division who create and maintain software for schools.	06/04/2021	-

Name: Atika Kohli Appointment: Member Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 13/10/2022		-	-	-	-	-
Name: Iain Kinnis Appointment: Member Term of office start: 01/09/2022 Term of office end: 31/08/2026 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 13/10/2022		-	-	-	-	-
Name: Sue Dunford Appointment: Trustee Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 13/10/2022	Not Confirmed	Rushey Mead Academy	Governor	This role was discussed and approved prior to my becoming a Trustee of LiFE MAT	01/09/2013	-
Name: Hannah Cusworth Appointment: Trustee Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 13/10/2022		-	-	-	-	-
Name: Colin Crane Appointment: Member Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 13/10/2022		-	-	-	-	-
Name: Hazel Cole Appointment: Trustee Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 13/10/2022	Not Confirmed	ScottishPower	Employee	Energy Supplier	20/01/2020	-
	Not Confirmed	Bosworth Academy	Parent	Son is in year 12	01/09/2022	-

<p>Name: Vicky Patterson Appointment: Staff (Teaching) Governor Term of office start: 02/02/2021 Term of office end: 12/05/2022 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 12/05/2022</p>	-	-	-	-	-
<p>Name: Hatle Mehta Appointment: Trustee Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 31/03/2022</p>	-	-	-	-	-
<p>Name: Sam McCarthy Appointment: Community governor Term of office start: 01/03/2020 Term of office end: 17/03/2022 Appointed by: Trust Board Effective removal date: 17/03/2022</p>	-	-	-	-	-
<p>Name: Darren Brumby Appointment: Trustee Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 01/02/2022</p>	-	-	-	-	-
<p>Name: Kay Rose Appointment: Community governor Term of office start: 01/03/2020 Term of office end: 29/02/2024 Appointed by: Trust Board Effective removal date: 01/12/2021</p>	-	-	-	-	-
<p>Name: Atika Kholi Appointment: Trustee Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 11/10/2021</p>	-	-	-	-	-
<p>Name: Jon Hayes Appointment: Community governor Term of office start: 01/03/2020 Term of office end: 29/02/2024 Appointed by: Trust Board Effective removal date: 05/01/2021</p>	-	-	-	-	-

