

Your Governors

Kevin Martin –Chair - Co-opted Governor



Kevin has lived in the area since 1982 and is married with four children; the youngest is currently at Ash Manor. He became a Parent Governor in 2013; previously Kevin was a Parent Governor at a local Primary School.

Kevin has experience in training, coaching and youth mentoring and has had various roles in the Rail Industry (currently a Control Manager). He is a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Managers, a member of the Chartered Institute of Transport and Logistics and Member of the Institute of Rail Operators

Stephen Barratt - Vice Chair – Co-opted Governor



Stephen is a consultant in The Education Sector Design Curriculum and Auditing Learning processes. He has a number of projects running with Pearson's (Edexcel) College and Skills for Health. He qualified as a Teacher in Computer Science and Networking after retiring from Surrey Police in 1997 working at Guildford College, Stroud's 6th Form College and Reading University. In 2005 He took up a new challenge as Educational Lead Accreditation Officer in the Defence Medical Services Training Group responsible for apprenticeships and Paramedic education qualifications.

Stephen formed his own consultancy company in 2014. Stephen has also served on several Governing bodies in Primary, Middle and Secondary schools. Stephen became a Co-opted Governor in March 2015 and Chairs the Standards and Performance Committee.

Arjan Schippers - Co-opted Governor



Arjan is a Business Development Manager with international business background and has been in the telecoms industry for the major part of his professional career. He wanted to increase his involvement with the school which both his children are attending and has been a community governor now since December 2012.

Arjan is chair of the Resource Committee and a member of the Standards and Performance Committee.

Jane Sheridan –Co-opted Governor



Jane is an Education Business Consultant working in partnership with local and national businesses to bring career education, challenges and events into schools. In addition, she has recently been appointed as the STEM Co-ordinator for Ash Manor to provide students with STEM and business related enrichment opportunities.

Jane became a Parent Governor in 2011 and is now a Co-opted Governor and chair of the Curriculum Committee.

Roger Webb –Co-opted Governor



Roger Webb is a Professor in the Electronic Engineering Department at the University of Surrey and has lived in Ash and Ash Vale since 1984 and has been a governor for more than 15 years. Both of his daughters were at school at Ash Manor, one of them now works at Farnborough International Ltd, helping to run the air show, and the other is a lecturer in forensics in the Chemistry department of the University of Surrey. He has a strong interest in education at all levels and is keen to see that all children get a chance to make the most of their abilities.

Tom Aslin - Co-opted Governor



Tom is a Chartered Accountant, and a partner in the forensic accounting team of a top twenty firm of accountants, based in central London. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, a member of the Expert Witness Institute and a member of the Academy of Experts.

Tom lives in and grew up in the local area and has two children, the eldest of which started at Ash Manor in 2014. Tom became a Governor in 2015 and is a member of the Resources Committee.

Margaret Wickham – Parent Governor



Margaret is an accountant and office manager running the 'back office' operations of an international trade finance organisation. Her son is currently in Year 7 and she became a Parent Governor in 2015 to support the education of all the students at Ash Manor. Margaret also volunteers at a local youth football club having qualified as an FA Level 1 coach and trained in emergency aid, management of sports injuries and child protection. Margaret is a member of Student Wellbeing and Curriculum committees.

Sean Birchall –Parent Governor



Sean currently lives in Tongham and has a son in year 10 at Ash Manor School.

A British Army Officer with the Royal Logistic Corps based in Deepcut; Sean has been in the Army for the past 25 years. Having progressed through the ranks as a soldier he was commissioned as an Officer in the rank of Captain in 2013. Sean has had a varied military career which has included posts as a Military Instructor working with developing young soldiers. He has qualifications in teaching, coaching, mentoring, strategic leadership as well as being a Level 3 (UEFA B) football Coach.

Sean joined the School Governor's in Jan 2016.

Paul Harwood – Co-opted Governor



Paul has a Masters in Mathematical Education and has spent 40 years working in education in a variety of school management roles. Paul was a secondary Headteacher from 1989 to 2005. He has worked with numerous Academy chains and Local Authorities and developed a reputation as an outstanding practitioner in Behaviour and Attendance and was a lead adviser on 'Behaviour and Attendance' to the DfE for nine years. He was Ofsted qualified and has produced a number of training programmes for the DfE and operated as Key adviser for Behaviour on various working parties. Prior to Headship Paul was a Mathematics teacher and Careers specialist.

Paul has lived in Guildford for the last seventeen years and joined the Governing Body in October 2016.

Miranda Harrison - Co-opted Governor



Miranda teaches Art, Floristry and DT at the Linden Education Centre where she is also a staff governor. She has been a foundation governor at Walsh C of E Juniors for 10 years and has previously been a governor at Walsh Memorial C of E Infant School.