

Skelton Primary School – Governing Body Membership and Vacancies

Governing Body	Type	Start Date	End Date
Mr Robert Anderson	Co-opted Governor	09/12/2023	18/12/2027
Rev Geoff Bland	Co-opted Governor	22/02/2022	31/08/2024
Mr Mike Bloomfield	Co-opted Governor	15/06/2020	14/06/2024
Mrs Tracy Hill	Co-opted Governor	27/05/2024	26/05/2028
Cllr Dr John McCue	Co-opted Governor	02/01/2024	01/01/2028
Miss Helen Swarbrick	Co-opted Governor	27/09/2022	26/09/2026
Ms Sarah Walker	Headteacher	01/11/2013	
Mrs Laura Allan	Parent Governor	23/03/2021	22/03/2025
Mrs Donna Leighton	Parent Governor	16/03/2021	15/03/2025
Mrs Janet Tasker	Parent Governor	14/10/2022	13/10/2026
Mr Andy Woolf	Staff Governor	26/09/2022	25/09/2026
Ms Deborah Chadwick	Additional Posting	06/03/2020	
Mr Sam Newton	Additional Posting	14/05/2024	13/05/2028

Position	Type
Mrs Laura Allan	Chair
Mrs Janet Tasker	Vice Chair

Establishment	Term	Required	Governors	Vacancies
Co-opted Governor	4 Years	6	6	0
Headteacher	99 Years	1	1	0
Parent Governor	4 Years	3	3	0
Staff Governor	4 Years	1	1	0
TOTAL		11	11	0

Previous Appointments	Type	Start Date	End Date
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Governing body regulations (maintained schools)

- As stated in the DfE's Governance Handbook, the responsibilities of the governing body are:
 - Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;
 - Holding executive leaders to account for the educational performance of the organisation and its pupils, and the effective and efficient performance management of staff; and
 - Overseeing the financial performance of the organisation and making sure its money is well spent
- Governors are appointed/elected as follows:
 - Co-opted - appointed by the governing body
 - Foundation - appointed by the Diocese (or the PCC if appropriate - there may also be provision in the Instrument of Government for the parish priest to be ex-officio)
 - Headteacher - ex-officio
 - Local Authority - appointed by the governing body, following approval of the 'nomination' by the LA
 - Parent/Staff - elected by parents/staff respectively
- Governing bodies must have at least seven governors, including the Headteacher; one and only one Local Authority governor; one and only one Staff governor; at least two Parent governors; and for Voluntary Aided schools, there must be exactly two more Foundation governors than all other categories combined.
- The total number of Co-opted governors who are also eligible to be elected as Staff governors, when counted with the Staff governor and the Headteacher, must not exceed one third of the total membership of the governing body.
- The term of office for any governor shall be four years (unless otherwise stated in the Instrument of Government), save that this time limit shall not apply to any post which is held ex officio. Associate Members can be appointed for between one and four years. Parent governors may serve out their term of office when their child leaves the school, but Staff governors must resign when they leave the school.
- Associate Members and governors who are members of staff cannot be Chair or Vice-Chair. Associate Members also do not count towards a quorum and do not have voting rights for governing body meetings (but can be appointed with voting rights on committees).
- The governing body must hold at least three meetings in every school year, and the quorum for a meeting of the governing body and for any vote on any matter at such a meeting, is one half (rounded up to a whole number) of the membership of the governing body, i.e. the number of governors in post at the date of the meeting.
- Every question to be decided at a meeting of the governing body is to be determined by a majority of the votes of the governors present and voting on the question, and where there is an equal division of votes the Chair, or as the case may be, the person who is acting as Chair for the purposes of the meeting (provided that such person is a governor), will have a second or casting vote (the governing body may approve alternative arrangements for governors to participate or vote at meetings of the governing body including but not limited to by telephone or video conference).