

The Governing Board (Sept 2016 to date of publication)

Reportable Business Interests updated February 2018 (review annually)

John Bowater
Chair of Governors



John Bowater is Deputy Chief Executive Officer & Chief Finance Officer of Aggregate Industries. He has ultimate functional responsibility for accounting, finance, treasury, IT, procurement and taxation for the company.

John is also a Governor of Thomas Telford City Technology College, a Fellow of the Chartered Association of Certified Accountants and a Director of Wolverhampton Wanderers Football Club.

Date of Appointment:

1st September 2013

Appointed by:

The Principal Sponsors

Reportable Business Interests:

Director of Telford City Technology Trust Ltd (Thomas Telford School) and co-sponsor of the Trust

Vic Maher
Acting Principal



Vic Maher started teaching Design & Technology in inner city Liverpool before pioneering the development of new GCSE courses and teacher training.

He joined Thomas Telford School as a Senior Deputy Head in 1991 and went on to turn Madeley Academy from a failing school to Outstanding. In 2011 he took on the Executive Headship of the failing Milton Keynes Academy and secured Ofsted Good. Since retiring in 2013 he has been a governor at Milton Keynes Academy, and provides principal mentoring and Academy improvement as Executive Principal.

Vic's overriding philosophy is that children come first.

Date of Appointment:

Effective from September 2017

Appointed by

The Governing Board

Reportable Business Interests:

Acting Principal of Bulwell Academy
Governor of Milton Keynes Academy
Vic Maher Consultancy

Ian Williams
Principal 2016-2017



Ian Williams started his career as a teacher of Science in Birmingham, before moving into teaching IT and heading an IT Department in a Secondary School. Ian worked as a Project and Business Manager for a government education agency and then moved to directing Teacher Training at the West Midlands Consortium.

Prior to being appointed as Principal of Bulwell Academy in September 2016, Ian was Deputy Head at Thomas Telford School, with overall responsibility for Key Stage 3 and the Computer Science and Business Departments.

Date of Appointment:

Effective from September 2016

Stepped down: 31 August 2017

Appointed by:

The Governing Board

Reportable Business Interests:

Principal of Bulwell Academy

Linda Abbott
Associate Governor



Linda Abbott is Manager of Bulwell EIP, the local partnership of schools.

Linda has worked with the Bulwell schools for the last 14 years, leading a wide range of educational projects and working with many statutory and voluntary organisations in the local area.

With a background in administration and finance she sits on the Finance Committee and is Community Governor.

Date of Appointment:

25th July 2008

Appointed by:

The Governing Board

Reportable Business Interests:

Employee of Nottingham City Council working for Bulwell Education Action Zone (EAZ)

Vivienne Evans

Viv Evans has worked in secondary education for thirty seven years and she has recently retired as Head of a large inner city academy in the West Midlands.

Viv has worked on a range of school improvement initiatives both as a governor and a teacher.

She is currently involved in education projects for the voluntary sector.

Date of Appointment:

10th July 2015

Appointed by:

The Governing Board

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Co-opted Governor



Governor of Stafford Manor High School (formerly Stafford Sports College)

Governor of Sandwell Valley School

Gill Haymes

Local Authority Governor



Gill Haymes, a former Nottingham City Councillor for Bulwell East and Bulwell Forest Wards, is the local authority nominee to the governing body.

She has extensive experience of scrutiny, committee work, all aspects of education and every area of local government.

Gill is a Trustee for Nottingham Education Trusts and also the link governor for the Academy's SEN/D team.

Date of Appointment:

25th July 2008

Appointed by:

The Local Authority

Reportable Business Interests:

Trustee of the Nottingham Education Trust

Jason Lowther

Associate Governor (Staff)



Jason Lowther is the Associate Governor (Staff) for the Academy.

Born in Nottingham, Jason returned to the area after serving in the armed forces in the Grenadier Guards for over 10 years and joined the Academy in 2012 as a Year Manager.

He has previous experience of governing bodies as a parent governor and is Chairman of a local football league in the local community.

Date of Appointment:

27th February 2015

Appointed by:

The Governing Board

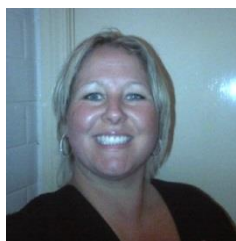
Reportable Business Interests:

Employee of Nottinghamshire Football Association

Chairman of the Nottinghamshire Girls and Ladies Football League

Sara Taylor

Parent Governor



Sara Taylor is a Parent Governor at the Academy and also at a local primary school.

She has three children who attend the Academy.

Born in Bulwell, Sara works within the community for a local charity.

Date of Appointment:

9th January 2014

Elected by:

Parents of Registered Pupils

Appointed by:

The Governing Board

Reportable Business Interests:

Governor of Springfield Primary School

Employee of Bulwell Community Toy Library

Jane Samuels

Jane Samuels is the Project and Operations Manager at the Edge Foundation, one of Bulwell Academy's sponsors.

Jane has spent ten years at Edge raising awareness of technical, practical and vocational learning.

Previously she worked in local government and in intellectual property copyright in the music industry.

Date of Appointment:

10th February 2010

Appointed by:

The Principal Sponsors

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Sponsor Governor



Employee of Edge, an independent education foundation and co-sponsor of the Trust
 Director of Madeley Academy Trust
 Trustee of Studio School Trust
 Trustee of AOC Charitable Trust
 Director of Edge Hotel School Limited
 Director of Wivenhoe House Hotel Limited
 Director of the Hotel Future Foundation

Sir Kevin Satchwell

Sponsor Governor



Sir Kevin Satchwell is the Headmaster of Thomas Telford School, one of Bulwell Academy's sponsors.

As a Governor his main focus is helping the Academy to improve the performance of its students.

Sir Kevin has access to a wide range of experienced educational practitioners across a group of schools that all work to support each other.

Date of Appointment:

28th September 2012

Appointed by:

The Principal Sponsors

Reportable Business Interests:

Trustee of Edge Foundation, a co-sponsor of the Trust

Trustee of Baker Dearing Trust

Headmaster of Thomas Telford School, a co-sponsor of the Trust

Member of Sandwell Academy Trust – dormant company

Member of Walsall Academy Trust – dormant company

Nigel Skill

Sponsor Governor



Nigel Skill is Chairman of the Skills Travel Group, established 1919 in Radford. The business moved to Bulwell in 2001 and employs over 200 staff.

Most of Nigel's working life has been spent in passenger transport, starting as an apprentice mechanic.

He became Managing Director in 1987 when he acquired the Skills business with his brother. The founder, his grandfather and great grandparents are all interned in Bulwell cemetery.

Date of Appointment:

27th September 2013

Appointed by:

The Principal Sponsors

Reportable Business Interests:

Chair of the Skills Group, a local motor coach company

Jason Wright

Co-opted Governor



Jason Wright is Managing Director of J Wright Roofing Limited and the East Midlands Roofing College.

He is a former student at the Henry Mellish School.

Jason is a great supporter of apprenticeships and over 90% of his workforce comes from the local community.

Date of Appointment:

17th September 2010

Appointed by:

The Governing Board

Reportable Business Interests:

Director of J Wright Roofing Limited, supporter of Apprentices from the Academy