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Member & Trustee Information 2026-2027

Last update: 09 September 2026

Members who have served at any time during the last 12 months **See also the full Register of Interests**

Name	How appointed	Date of appointment	Term of office	Declarations of Interest	Governance role in other educational establishment	Attendance 2025-2026
Anne Frost	By Members	24 November 2020	n/a	None	Chair of Council at Lincoln Bishop University / Trustee of AQA / Chair of Governors, The Sandwell Colleges	2/2
Deryn Harvey	By Members	6 April 2016	n/a	Director, Deryn Harvey Consulting Ltd	Member of The Elliot Foundation / Director at Deryn Harvey Consulting Ltd	2/2
Professor Toby Salt	By Members	21 October 2023	n/a	Toby Salt Consulting Ltd / Teaching Awards	Chair Of Academy Council Ryde Academy / Chair of the Teaching Awards Trust / Trustee of Southern Pro Musica / Senior Advisor, Thomas's Schools / Chair of CATS Global Schools / Executive Coach for Forum	2/2

					strategy and a number of MAT CEOs	

Trustees who have served at any time over the last 12 months **See also the full Register of Interests**

Name	How appointed	Date of appointment / last reappointment	Term of office	Declarations of Interest	Governance role in other educational establishment	Attendance 2025-2026
Mark Blois	By Members	Resigned 3 August 2026				2/5
Andrew Buck Chair	By Members	22 November 2024	4 years	Director - Andy Buck Leadership Services	Founding Fellow of Chartered College of Teaching	5/5
Maggie Farrar CBE Co Vice Chair	By Members	5 December 2025	4 years	Director – Farrar Chapman Ltd / Director, Empowering Leadership Ltd / Trustee, Bedfordshire Education Trust	Husband is a Governor at Marston Primary School, Oxford	4/5
Paul Graham Co Vice Chair	By Members	31 August 2026	4 years	Non-exec Director at L.E.A.D. Services Ltd	Non-exec Director at L.E.A.D. Teaching School Hub Ltd	4/5
Helen McNamara	By Members	4 December 2023	4 years	None	None	2/5
Shaheen Myers	By Members	4 August 2025	4 years	None	None	3/5
Diana Owen CBE	By Members	16 November 2012	Ex-officio as CEO	Employed by L.E.A.D. Academy Trust	Fellow of the Chartered College of Teaching / Member at NAHT / Member of Queen St Group / Trustee, Greenwood Academy Trust	5/5

Chris Spicer	By Members	12 March 2024	4 years	None	None	3/5
Chris Tweedale	By Members	4 August 2025	4 years	Managing Partner, Tweedale Education Partners Ltd /	Fellow of the Chartered College of Teaching / Life Member, ASCL / Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts	1/5
Nicholas Ydlibi	By Members	15 October 2024	4 years	None	None	5/5

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