

The High School Leckhampton Local Governing Body Register of Governors 2025-2026



All governors are appointed, elected or re-elected for a 4-year term of office. Governing bodies are under duty to publish on their website their register of interests and these can be found on our school website [here](#)

TIM CALLAGHAN – CHAIR OF GOVERNORS – September 14th, 2025

Tim is an engineer working in the aerospace and defence industry. Together with his wife, a GP, they have one son at HSL and one at another local secondary school.



Tim has been part of the Leckhampton community for a number of years. He has extensive experience as a primary school governor, including as Chair of Governors. He has served as a Public Governor of the Gloucestershire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust representing Cheltenham. He has also been involved in leading a local Beaver Scout group.

Tim enjoys walking, running, singing in a couple of local choirs and is involved in a local theatre group. He is also involved in the leadership of a local church.

Tim was successfully re-appointed for another four-year term from the 14th September 25

Chair of Governors

Member of both the **Community & Operations** and the **Curriculum & Standards** committees

Link Governor for Health & Safety

HELEN WOOD – HEADTEACHER – EX OFFICIO

Helen graduated from The University of Bristol in 1998 with a B.A. (Hons) in History, before completing her PGCE at the School of Education in Bristol in 1999. Her first teaching post was at Prince Henry's High School, Evesham where she was appointed Head of Sixth Form in 2004. Helen became an Assistant Head in 2007, with responsibility for Teaching & Learning and a Deputy Head in 2013 with responsibility for the Curriculum. In 2014 Helen became the Head of Prince Henry's Teaching School, leading colleagues in the creation of the school's SCITT which opened in 2017.



Throughout her time as Head of the Teaching School Helen took a significant role in leading teacher training and professional development, including facilitating the NPQSL and ML qualifications for Edge Hill University and later the Worcestershire Global Leadership Academy. Helen has also written and delivered several aspirant middle and senior leadership courses for teachers.

Helen gained experience of School Improvement by leading the Operational Group of Worcestershire Teaching Schools in a Strategic School Improvement Project in 2017. In 2018 Helen completed her NPQH and took up post as Head of The High School Leckhampton in January 2021.

Member of both the **Community & Operations** and the **Curriculum & Standards** committees

FRAN ALLEN - APPOINTED GOVERNOR – September 23rd, 2025

Fran has been a local primary school teacher for over a decade, she currently works at St James' C of E primary school where she is a member of the Senior Leadership team focusing on Behaviour, PSHE, RSE and wellbeing. She has an active interest in the latest research that underpins delivery of the highest quality education, raising standards for all children. Before teaching Fran was a Chartered Surveyor -working at DTZ prior to its takeover; the two contrasting careers have provided a platform to develop a breadth of skills.



Fran and her husband, Kevin have 3 children, the eldest of which started at HSL in its first cohort. Fran joins HSL as an elected parent governor. She is a passionate advocate for children's voice and enjoys many sports with her family in her spare time.

Fran completed a four year term as a parent governor within the board and was re-appointed as a appointed governor 17th September 25.

Vice Chair of the Community & Operations committee
Link Governor for Safeguarding

SHARON GRANT – PARENT GOVERNOR – November 22nd, 2022

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Member of the Community & Operations committee
Link Governor for the RRSA

IAN DAVIDSON – APPOINTED GOVERNOR – September 14th, 2021

Ian graduated in Combined Sciences (BSc Hons) at Leicester University in 1970 and began his teaching career in 1972. He was appointed as Head of Science at Charlton Kings Secondary School and in 1986 he was appointed to the same position at the newly opened Balcarras School. He progressed to be an Assistant Head until his retirement in 2010.



However, Ian never really retired – he continues to work part-time for The Balcarras Trust in a variety of supportive roles including writing and submitting 'bids' for school funding projects and being involved with the 'transition' of pupils from Y6 into Y7.

Ian has served on many governing bodies, including Leicester University, Charlton Kings Secondary School, Balcarras, and finally 10 years as a governor of Charlton Kings Junior School. This latter post he relinquished at the end of 2021 and he is now a "Member" of the same Academy Trust. He was also appointed as Chair of Governors for The High School Leckhampton in December 2021 and stepped down from this role in September 2024.

Ian is married with 4 sons and lives a 5-minute walk away from Balcarras and a 22-minute run from The High School Leckhampton. He enjoys walking, running, skiing, gardening and Anglo-Saxon history! Ian was successfully re-appointed for another four year term from the 14th September 25

Member of the Curriculum & Standards committee
Link Governor for Pupil Premium

JANE LLOYD DAVIES – APPOINTED GOVERNOR – September 14th, 2021

Jane retired as Head of Education Outcomes and Intervention for Gloucestershire County Council in 2021. With a background in teaching and as an adviser, she developed a good working knowledge of Gloucestershire's schools and is well connected at both primary and secondary level.



Jane has held several senior positions in Education and School Improvement, including Senior Secondary Adviser and Head of Quality Assurance. Jane has brought to these roles her understanding of inspection with 15 years of experience as an additional inspector with Ofsted, inspecting primary, secondary and special schools. Jane was Balcarras' School Improvement Partner for many years and knows the school well. Her advice has been crucial in shaping the School's Development Plan and she visited regularly to offer reports on various aspects of the school's work.

Jane was successfully re-appointed for another four year term from the 14th September 25.

Member of the Curriculum & Standards committee

Link Governor for SEND

SIMON WILSON – PARENT GOVERNOR – October 9th, 2025

AWAITING BIO & PROFILE PICTURE

Member of the Community & Operations Committee

Link Governor for Computing

AELRED DOWN – PARENT GOVERNOR – October 7th, 2025

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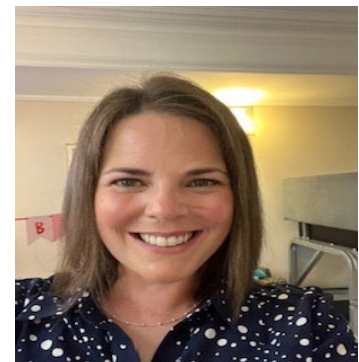
Member of the Curriculum & Standards Committee

Link Governor for Humanities

SOPHIE WINTLE – APPOINTED GOVERNOR – October 22nd, 2025

Sophie is currently a teacher at Warden Hill Primary School, having previously worked as a secondary English teacher for 14 years. This experience has given her a strong understanding of education across both primary and secondary phases.

As a parent of two children, one of whom attends the school, Sophie is keen to support the school community and contribute to its continued development. Her professional background in education allows her to bring insight and experience to her role as a governor. Outside of work, Sophie enjoys spending time with her family, walking her dog, and much of her weekends are spent watching her children take part in sporting activities.



She is keen to support the development of the school as it continues to thrive and reach full capacity.

Member of the Curriculum & Standards Committee

Link Governor for PE and Music

VACANCIES

Appointed Governor x2

Staff Governors x2 (teaching & non-teaching)

PILI LUNA – CLERK TO THE GOVERNORS – February 1st, 2026

Pili has worked at the University of Gloucestershire for over 20 years and is currently an administrator within the Student Experience department. She has many years' experience as a PA and Executive Assistant to members of senior management, as well as organising meetings, officering boards, committees and panels. On occasion she also acts as Clerk to school appeals panels for Gloucestershire County Council.



This is her first role as a clerk within a school setting, but she is looking forward to working with the governors to enable the High School Leckhampton to reach its goals of excellence.