

Whitleigh Primary and Sir John Hunt CSC Federated Governing Board

Governor Profiles



JOHN BALE: LOCAL AUTHORITY GOVERNOR AND CHAIR

I have worked in Children's Services at Plymouth City Council for the last 7 years. I mainly deal with Post-16 education and training, including work on school and college performance data. Previously, I have held roles in a number of government agencies, mainly linked to youth and adult training.

My main role is supporting schools, colleges and training providers maintain and develop an offer that helps young people gain qualifications that will support them through their life and successfully move from school into further / higher education or apprenticeships / work. This includes working with organisations providing impartial advice and guidance (e.g. Careers South West) to ensure young people understand the options available to them from 16, and the range of providers and courses which will support their education and skills development.

I have a particular interest in technical / vocational options for students and developing education / business links to provide students experiences of the world of work. This includes supporting schools work with training providers in the city in delivery of vocational studies at sixth form and identifying apprenticeship routes from 18.

I hope my skills can help improve outcomes for pupils and students within the WPSJH Federation. I look forward to working with staff, governors and other professionals in my role on the governing body.



ROGER GALLOWAY: CO-OPTED GOVERNOR

Happily married with a grown up daughter and 2 grandchildren, 1 currently at Weston Mill primary in year 5, where I am a governor and 1 aged 16yrs at Marine Academy senior school.

I am retired having spent 23yrs regular RAF service and 22yrs in the RAF Auxiliary reserve service, followed by 20yrs working with the Devon and Cornwall Police in the emergency control room at Crownhill.

I have many hobbies including managing a large and successful Scout group in Elburton, hill walking and Geo-caching, swimming etc. I also perform the Standard bearer duties for the RAF Association at ceremonials and funerals etc. alongside undertaking secretarial duties of the Federation of Plymouth and district ex-service associations. I have been a co-opted governor at Weston Mill primary for several years and a few years ago became a member of the Plymouth Association of Governors, which puts me in touch with governors from many other city schools. I recently joined Sir John Hunt as a new governor to help bolster the team during its reorganisation. I have commercial skills in Health & Safety and industrial relations law and am looking forward to the exciting opportunities that present themselves with being part of such a large organisation as the Sir John Hunt/Whitleigh Primary complex.



CHLOE HAMBLIN: CO-OPTED GOVERNOR

I work as a solicitor at Curtis Whiteford Crocker Solicitors in areas of commercial law and property. I have grown up in Plymouth, having gone to school here, I also obtained my law degree from Plymouth University in 2012.

Education has always been important to me and this is my way to give back to the community and ensure high standards are met and maintained through school governance. It's a new role for me and I am excited to learn and get involved.



DAVID BAYLIS OBE: CO-OPTED GOVERNOR

David has recently retired having spent 30 years in the Army and 15 years in the education profession as a Bursar/Business Manager of 3 schools in the Independent sector. He is married and he and his wife have 2 children and 3 grandchildren.

David's military career started at Sandhurst and included tours of duty across the world including Northern Ireland, Falklands, Germany, Norway, India, Kuwait, Bosnia and Italy. Along the way he also graduated from Leeds University (BA Hons), Madras University (MA) and Cranfield Business school (MSc). He was awarded the OBE in 1999. He left the Army to take up a second career in education where he has successfully managed all the non-academic business involved in the administration of schools encompassing disciplines such as HR, Legal, Catering, H&S, Utilities, Maintenance, Marketing, Contracts, Recruiting and Security.

His retirement has given him the opportunity to establish a personal portfolio of voluntary and charitable work. It also allows him to continue being of value in an area he feels very passionate about – education. Being appointed as a Governor of these 2 schools is, he feels, a perfect opportunity to allow him to use the expertise gained in his life experiences, especially in the education world which is demanding and constantly changing.






HEATHER RYDER: PARENT GOVERNOR (WHITLEIGH PRIMARY)

I have worked at NHS Blood and Transplant based in Derriford hospital for 6 years, as an administrator and a donor carer. My job is very varied and rewarding and I have a great passion for it.

I live in Whitleigh with my husband and our 2 children as well as a number of animals, including ducks, chickens, a dog and a snake.

My children are still young (years 1 and 3) so I decided I'd like to become more involved in their education and I was delighted to be elected as a Parent Governor. I look forward to giving back to the school and the wider community, as well as being part of a team who ensure the best education for all our children.

	<p>LYNDSAY CHELL: CO-OPTED GOVERNOR AND VICE CHAIR</p> <p>I worked at Sir John Hunt Community Sports College as a Professional Tutor from 2012-2014. Previously I worked in several Plymouth schools as a Science teacher before taking on Head of Science at Kingsbridge Community College. My career has spanned 40 years much spent teaching in schools and field centres in London, Shrewsbury and finally Slapton.</p> <p>I left Sir John Hunt to take a grandparent gap year in the Wirral where I developed links with an Under 5's urban farm in Birkenhead. However, I missed the South West and returned last year. I am passionate about education and still do some teacher training for Exeter University.</p> <p>Now that I have more time I want to take on a different role as a Governor so that I can still make a difference and enable every child to achieve their best.</p>
	<p>SAMUEL QUAYLE: PARENT GOVERNOR (SIR JOHN HUNT CSC)</p> <p>I joined the Royal Navy in July 2005, currently serving on-board HMS Ocean as a Leading Seaman Warfare Specialist (Above Water Warfare Tactical). During the last 12 years I have served across the world including the Mediterranean, Falklands, Caribbean and the Far East. At present, I am in the process of a transfer to join the Royal Navy Police.</p> <p>Originally from Southampton, I moved to Plymouth in 2013 and now live in Crownhill with my wife Carrie and daughter Leah, who is studying at Sir John Hunt CSC.</p> <p>Having studied Business at college and with a keen interest in Law, I hope to develop my skills and use my experiences to join the team and look forward to working with students, staff and the rest of the governing body to help drive the school forward whilst giving something back to the community.</p>
	<p>JENNA STEPHENS: CO-OPTED GOVERNOR</p>
	<p>JULIE BEVAN: PRINCIPAL, SIR JOHN HUNT CSC</p>
	<p>IAN CORDING: HEAD TEACHER, WHITLEIGH PRIMARY SCHOOL</p>

KATHERINE ELLIOTT: STAFF GOVERNOR

My name is Katherine Elliot, I work at Whitleigh Primary as a KS1 teacher. I have always lived and worked in Plymouth. I studied English Literature and Education Studies for 3 years at the University College of St Mark and St John and then worked as a teaching assistant for 1 year before deciding to do my PGCE in primary teaching. This is now my 5th year of teaching and in order to be fully engaged in my role, I felt it would be beneficial to be a part of the governing body where I can find out more about the way in which the school is run.