

The Federation of Burley and Sopley Governor Membership and Governor Links 2026/27

Category	Name	Committee membership	Links	Term of office
Headteacher	Mathew Bowen	Curriculum, Standards and Welfare, Resources and Finance		Appointed Sept 2025
LA Governor	Sian-Elen Fernyhough	HT Performance Management – Chair Curriculum, Standards and Welfare	EYFS SEND and Inclusion DTG Teaching and Learning	4 years to 25/05/2028
Co-opted Governor	Karen Buchan	Resources and Finance	Teaching and Learning Health and Safety	4 years to 16/03/2030
Co-opted Governor	Maria Speirs	HT Performance Management Curriculum, Standards and Welfare – Chair Pay Committee Resources and Finance	Safeguarding Curriculum	4 years to 25/05/2028
Co-opted Governor	Lucy Thomas	Curriculum, Standards and Welfare	Writing	4 years to 07/02/2027
Co-opted Governor	Chris Walter – Vice Chair	HT Performance Management Pay Committee Resources and Finance - Chair	Maths Curriculum	4 years to 28/11/2029
Co-opted Governor	Bethany Bennett-Smith	Curriculum, Standards and Welfare	Attendance Writing Vision and values IT Safeguarding	4 years to 23/05/2027
Co-opted Governor	Gail Radford - Chair	Curriculum, Standards and Welfare Resources and Finance HT Performance Management	SEND and Inclusion Behaviour Maths	4 years to 19/03/2028
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Parent Governor	Claire Robinson	Resources and Finance	Attendance Safeguarding Allergy Lead	4 years to 27/02/2029
Parent Governor	Hilary Wilcox	Curriculum, Standards and Welfare	Website, Health and Safety EYFS	4 years to 27/02/2029
Staff Governor	Vacancy		Staff link	
Clerk	Alexandra Calvert			

Historical Governors in last 12 months

Governor Type	Name	Term From	Term To	Reason
Co-opted Governor	Peter Egerton	23/09/2024	21/07/2026	Resigned
Co-opted Governor	Patricia McAleer	10/03/2025	21/07/2026	Resigned
Co-opted Governor	Daniel Vincent	28/02/2025	02/09/2026	Resigned