

# Athersley South Primary School Governing Body

## What do Governors do?

School governors provide strategic leadership and accountability in schools. Governors appoint the head teacher and deputy headteacher. It is governors who hold the main responsibility for finance in schools, and it is governors who work with the headteacher to make the tough decisions about balancing resources.

Each individual governor is a member of a governing board, which is established in law as a corporate body. Individual governors may not act independently of the rest of the governing board; decisions are the joint responsibility of the governing board.

The role of the governing board is a strategic one, its key functions are to:

- set the aims and objectives for the school
- set the policies for achieving those aims and objectives
- set the targets for achieving those aims and objectives
- monitor and evaluate the progress the school is making towards achievement of its aims and objectives
- be a source of challenge and support to the headteacher (a critical friend)

(Source - <http://www.nga.org.uk/Be-a-Governor/Be-a-Governor.aspx>)

The Governing Body has established a number of committees to which it delegates day to day responsibility for the oversight of various aspects of the running of the school. The main committees are:

### Finance Committee

Initial oversight and management of the annual budget drawn up by the school; Ensures the school maintains an appropriate system of internal financial control; Agrees priorities for revenue and capital funding.

The Chairperson is Mrs Kath Bostwick

### Curriculum and Staffing Committee

Ensures the school offers a broad and balanced curriculum in accordance with the National Curriculum; Provides strategic advice and guidance on staffing and personnel issues; Reviews proposals for the promotion of staff.

The Chairperson is Mrs Kath Bostwick

### Buildings and Maintenance Committee

Oversight of the management and maintenance of the school premises; Reviews proposals for capital projects and ensures best practice in procurement and implementation of works; Provides advice and guidance on premises maintenance issues; Lead responsibility for Health & Safety and monitoring of associated statutory requirements (eg Fire safety, Legionella etc).

The Chairperson is Mrs Kath Bostwick

### School Improvement Strategy Group

Reviews progress against the agreed improvement plan and the deployment of the school's resources to meet identified needs; Review the impact of improvement strategies on outcomes for pupils and the quality of learning and teaching across the school.

The Chairperson is Mrs Kath Bostwick

Governor Name	Governor Type (eg., Foundation; Community; LA; etc.)	Governor Position (eg., Chair; Vice Chair; Parent Governor; Teacher etc)	Committees	Initial Start Date	Term of Office	End Date	Appointing Body	Declared Interests
Mrs Kathleen Bostwick	Co-opted	Chair of Governors	Staffing & Curriculum; Finance; Buildings & Maintenance; School Improvement Strategy Group	17/06/2019	4 years	16/06/2027	Elected	
Mr Neil Wright	Local Authority Governor	Local Authority Governor	Staffing & Curriculum	12/10/2019	4 years	11/10/2023	Elected	
Mrs Emma Sanderson	Headteacher	Headteacher	Staffing & Curriculum; School Improvement Strategy Group	01/09/2014	Ongoing with position	Ongoing with position	Automatic on appointme nt to position	
Miss Jodie Stanley	Staff	Staff – Class Teacher and Leader of Learning	Finance	13/01/2022	4 years	12/01/2026	Elected	
Mrs Claire Nock	Co-opted	Vice Chair of Governors (SEN Governor)	Staffing & Curriculum; Buildings & Maintenance  School Improvement Strategy Group	26/09/2022	4 years	25/09/2026	Elected	
Mrs Zoe Popplestone	Parent	Parent (Safeguarding Governor)	Staffing & Curriculum; Finance  School Improvement Strategy Group	9/6/2020	4 years	9/06/2024	Elected	
Mrs Jane Beech	Co-opted	Community	Staffing & Curriculum; Buildings & Maintenance	01/02/2021	4 years	31/01/2025	Elected	
Mr Jacques Chery	Parent	Parent	Finance; Staffing & Curriculum	03/02/2021	4 years	02/02/2025	Elected	
Mrs Emma McDonald-Brown	Parent	Parent	Staffing & Curriculum; Finance	13/05/2021	4 years	13/05/2025	Elected	
Mrs Jenna Allott	Parent	Parent	Finance; Buildings & Maintenance	13/11/2018	4 years	12/11/2022  Resigned: 04/03/2021	Elected	Related to staff member

<i>Cllr Jenny Platts</i>	<i>Local Authority Governor</i>	<i>Vice Chair of Governors (Safeguarding Governor)</i>	<i>Finance; School Improvement Strategy Group</i>	<i>17/06/2015</i>	<i>4 years</i>	<i>16/06/2019</i> <i>Stepped down: 16/06/2019</i>	<i>Elected</i>	
<i>Mrs Stephanie Carson</i>	<i>Co-opted</i>	<i>Community</i>	<i>Staffing &amp; Curriculum; Buildings &amp; Maintenance</i>	<i>01/02/2017</i>	<i>4 years</i>	<i>31/01/2021</i> <i>Stepped down: 17/07/2020</i>	<i>Elected</i>	
<i>Mrs Megan Wheelwright</i>	<i>Parent</i>	<i>Parent</i>	<i>Finance; Buildings &amp; Maintenance</i>	<i>30/01/2018</i>	<i>4 years</i>	<i>29/01/2022</i> <i>Stepped down: 2021</i>	<i>Elected</i>	<i>Related to staff member/ HLTA in school</i>
<i>Mr Dale Gledhill</i>	<i>Staff</i>	<i>Staff – Class Teacher and Leader of Learning with responsibility for Maths</i>	<i>Finance</i>	<i>22/09/2020</i>	<i>4 years</i>	<i>21/09/2024</i> <i>Stepped down: December 2021</i>	<i>Elected</i>	

<b>Governing Body Meetings</b>  2022-2023	Autumn Term 2022  20 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	Spring 2023  9 <sup>th</sup> March 2023	Summer 2023  15 <sup>th</sup> June 2023
Mrs Kathleen Bostwick	Present	Present	Present
Mrs Joanne Boreham	In attendance	In attendance	In attendance
Miss Jodie Stanley	Present	Absent	Present
Mrs Claire Nock	Present	Present	Present
Mrs Emma Sanderson	Present	Present	Present
Mrs Zoe Popplestone	Present	Present	Present
Mrs Emma McDonald-Brown	Present	Apologies	Absent
Mr Neil Wright	Apologies	Present	Present
Mrs Jane Beech	Present	Apologies	Apologies
Mr Jacques Chery	Apologies	Present	Apologies
Clerk	Ms J Sykes	Ms J Sykes	Ms J Sykes

### Committee Meetings

#### **AUTUMN TERM 2023**

##### **Finance – 14<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

Present: Claire Nock, Kath Bostwick, Jodie Stanley, Neil Wright

In attendance: Joanne Boreham

Apologies: Zoe Popplestone, Jacques Chery

Absent: Emma McDonald-Brown, Jane Beech

**Buildings & Maintenance – 14<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

Present: Claire Nock, Kath Bostwick

In attendance: Joanne Boreham

Apologies: None

Absent: Jane Beech

**Staffing & Curriculum – 14<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

Present: Emma Sanderson, Claire Nock, Kath Bostwick, Neil Wright, Zoe Popplestone

Apologies: Jacques Chery

Absent: Emma McDonald-Brown, Jane Beech

**SUMMER TERM 2023****Finance – 28<sup>th</sup> April 2023**

Present: Jodie Stanley, Kath Bostwick, Neil Wright, Jane Beech, Claire Nock

In attendance: Joanne Boreham

Apologies: None

Absent: Zoe Popplestone, Jacques Chery, Emma McDonald-Brown

**Buildings & Maintenance – 28<sup>th</sup> April 2023**

Present: Claire Nock, Kath Bostwick, Jane Beech

In attendance: Joanne Boreham, Neil Wright

Apologies: None

Absent: None

**Staffing & Curriculum – 28<sup>th</sup> April 2023**

Present: Emma Sanderson, Claire Nock, Kath Bostwick, Zoe Popplestone, Jane Beech, Neil Wright

Apologies: None

Absent: Emma McDonald-Brown

**SPRING TERM 2023****Finance – 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023**

Present: Zoe Popplestone, Jacques Chery, Claire Nock, Kath Bostwick, Emma McDonald-Brown, Jane Beech, Jodie Stanley, Neil Wright

In attendance: Joanne Boreham

Apologies: None

Absent: None

**Buildings & Maintenance – 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023**

Present: Claire Nock, Jane Beech, Kath Bostwick

In attendance: Joanne Boreham

Apologies: None

Absent: None

**Staffing & Curriculum – 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023**

Present: Emma Sanderson, Zoe Popplestone, Claire Nock, Jacques Chery, Kath Bostwick, Emma McDonald-Brown, Jane Beech, Neil Wright

Apologies: None

Absent: None