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| <p>Kevin Jenkins - Chair</p>  | <p>I am the chair of the Temporary Governing Body, I strongly believe that we must offer every child the best foundations to become a successful learner, allowing them to grow to be a confident individual with a love of learning and with the skills, knowledge and character needed to succeed as a local, national & global citizen. An individual who will be responsible and able to go on in life to enjoy personal achievement and economic well-being, and in doing so be able to appreciate and contribute to the community they live in, wherever that may be.</p> <p>I am also the chair of governors at Vale School (primary) in Worthing where I have been a school governor for since 2003, and held the role of chair of governors for a substantial period of that time. I have also previously been a director at an Academy school in the secondary sector. I am an accredited West Sussex Local Lead Governor and a level 3 qualified teaching assistant. Over the last 10 years I have supported a number of schools across West Sussex with various governance and leadership matters to help them grow and be successful schools.</p> <p>Previously I worked in the public sector for 30 years with Sussex Police as a police officer across West Sussex and locally in Worthing. During that time, I led on a number of projects involving organisational restructuring, project management, as well as staff management.</p> |
| <p>Donna Felstead</p>  | <p>I have been an active member of the Lyndhurst Governing Body for over 20 years and I became Chair of Governors in 2008.</p> <p>I started my governing experience because my children attended the school.</p> <p>I work in the financial sector and use this knowledge to advise the Finance and Strategic committee. I also enjoy working with staff as they develop the curriculum.</p> <p>I participate fully in our local community and am involved in fundraising for charities, one of these being the Parkinson's UK Worthing and Washington Group of which I am Chair.</p> |
| <p>Mike Carpenter</p>  | <p>I joined the Chesswood Junior School Governing Body in March 2020 and was elected the Chair of Governors earlier this year in February 2023.</p> <p>I am now retired, having spent 37 years working for Legal & General with the last 20 years spent in a range of Governance and Compliance roles – my last role was as the Group's Financial Crime Director. Using that experience I have focused on supporting Chesswood Junior School in the Leadership, Finance and Risk areas.</p> <p>A school is built around the community it serves, and I am delighted to have been asked to join the Temporary Governing Body formed to establish the new Primary School serving the East Worthing community. Furthermore, whilst this gives an opportunity to refresh our thinking, I see part of my role is to ensure the essence of both predecessor schools will be recognised in the Primary School and that this is a continuum of educational provision for all involved.</p> |
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Andy Parkin

Prior to retirement I had a 35-year career in local Government mainly in Social Services and Education Departments in 5 different Local Authorities, with the last 10 years spent working for 2 London Local Education Authorities as Assistant Director (Resources) leading on areas such as Finance and Human Resources. I have been a school governor since 2015, firstly in a small village school in East Sussex where I was Vice Chair of Governors and involved in arranging for the school to join a Federation (small village schools working together under a single Head Teacher).

In 2018 I moved to West Sussex and joined Storrington School Governing body becoming Chair of Governors in 2019. I have been Chair since that date operating on a Co-chair basis for the last year. I have also been assisting WSCC Governor Services with some one off and ongoing support for other governing Bodies in West Sussex. The last 18 months up to July 2023 I was a co-opted governor at an Infant school in Crawley where the governing body was newly appointed and needed some additional support.

I hold an Honours degree, a management qualification and am a qualified Accountant. I am very happy to be part of the temporary Governing Body at Lyndhurst and Chesswood school overseeing the amalgamation of the two schools, and hope that my experience in both my working life, and as a school governor will be of help to the Temporary Governing Body.

Jackie Edwards

My employment background is 35 years in Education.

Firstly, as a Primary School teacher and retiring as a successful Headteacher I have had a wealth of experience in a wide range of schools. During my career I was a headteacher in 3 schools in London and Kent. I was accredited as a National Leader of Education which meant that as a serving Head Teacher I supported and increased capacity at all levels in other schools to raise standards.

Before retirement I worked as an Ofsted Inspector for 3 years identifying strengths and areas for development in schools and Early Years settings. After retirement I became an Education Consultant and also worked for a London Local Authority leading on training and support for Early Career teachers in Primary, Special Education and Secondary Schools.

With this experience I believe that I can offer support by monitoring, questioning and challenging the staff to ensure the best possible standards of education for all children during the amalgamation of the two schools.

Since retiring to Worthing I enjoy spending as much time as I can with my fabulous family including five grandchildren.

Adrian Ladd

I am a single parent of two, both of whom attended Lyndhurst Infant and Chesswood Junior Schools. I have been a school governor since 2012 and am currently Vice Chair at Lyndhurst plus part of the interim governing board for the new school.

I have always lived within 5 miles of the schools. After completing A levels, I started my own business initially focusing on design solutions, fast track installations primarily at prestigious locations, throughout, UK, Europe, plus USA and Asia. Further studies, I completed a part time Degree onto MBA at Brighton. I successfully acquired and merged four businesses into a new Worthing site plus adding a 70-person larger business in the North East. Managing complex issues around structure, identity, finance, personnel, history and relationships.

I am fully committed to making the best choices for all children in this area and firmly embrace providing this locality with the benefits experienced by their peers in the surrounding areas. Alongside the benefit of stability, the bringing together of staff expertise and resources will enhance the learning offer. I have completed various construction projects with WSCC including in house fast track construction.

I have always persevered with endeavours I have undertaken in business and personal life becoming a LTA coach, making the Olympic squad and representing GB but now enjoy live music, football, my family and Dylan, our Golden Retriever. Have had cats as well !

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| <p>Barby Huntingford</p>  | <p>I have been the IT Manager at Lyndhurst Infant School since 2004. My role also involves organizing a multitude of fundraising initiatives driving sales via media and outbound school communications as well as day to day school activities.</p> <p>I have been a part of the Governing Body at Lyndhurst since 2005 representing staff, parents and currently as a co-opted governor. Both my two children attended Lyndhurst Infant School and Chesswood Junior School so I have a good first-hand knowledge of both sites.</p> <p>I am a qualified Teaching Assistant NVQ level 3 and I also hold a Level 2 in children and young people's mental health as well as a variety of technical qualifications across various fields.</p> <p>Prior to joining Lyndhurst Infant school, I helped to scale a national NVQ training company employed as their Quality Control Manager. I also worked, for many years, on a development team for a utility provider and within their customer service team.</p> <p>It is a pleasure to be part of the Temporary Governing Body and to assist Mrs South in the building of an exciting new school for our children and community.</p> |
| <p>Lee Boddy</p>  | <p>I have lived in the Worthing area for 20 years, I am a Sales Director for a Building Materials company. I am married with 2 children, 1 who went to Lyndhurst and is now at Chesswood and 1 who will be joining the new thru-school when he is old enough!</p> <p>I have held various positions within Worthing Borough Council as well as Chairman of the local Residents Association.</p> <p>I am Lead Governor for the Safeguarding and Pastoral arenas of Chesswood School, and I am very passionate about working with and supporting those who benefit from the support and capabilities that the education system can offer, and I look forward to being involved in the exciting times ahead for both schools.</p> |
| <p>Mark Taylor</p>  | <p>I became a governor in 2019 when my eldest child started at Lyndhurst.</p> <p>I use my personal experience and skills to support the work of the school through the curriculum committee. I am lead governor for Safeguarding and staff development. I also support the monitoring and evaluation of the school by attending monitoring activities with the staff.</p> <p>I am an active member of the Lyndhurst Friends Association and enjoy helping with the many events and activities that take place.</p> |

Phillipa Jackson



I have recently moved to Worthing. I have an MSc in Corporate Governance and Business Ethics and have held various governance roles within financial services and education. I currently work in the governance team of STEP Academy Trust, a large Multi Academy Trust, where my work focuses on trust governance and setting up and developing local academy committees in many communities across South London and East Sussex.

I am also a trustee of Home-Start Lambeth, a small charity that offers support, friendship and practical help to families with pre-school age children across Lambeth. I am committed to helping young people increase their ambition and aspirations, particularly those from less privileged communities.

I am passionate about education and making a positive difference for all children. I am keen to help amalgamate the new primary school in East Worthing and ensure that all children receive an excellent education.

Rachel Baker



I became a parent governor at Chesswood when my son joined the school in 2021 for Year 6; the year he spent at Chesswood remains without doubt the best year of his school life so far and he only wished he had been there for longer.

I stayed on at Chesswood as a co-opted governor after he left, to continue to learn about and support the school in any way I could.

I am an experienced teacher and I also now work at Chesswood, providing cover across different classes. My teaching experience is across the primary phase (EYFS through to Y6) and my particular interest is SEND, having taught in a school with an SSC for children with language and communication difficulties for several years; I believe ALL children should have access to positive and challenging learning experiences, underpinned by a knowledge-led, research-based curriculum.

I am keen to be as involved as possible in the amalgamation process, not only as part of the temporary governing body but also as a member of the East Worthing community, and I look forward to watching the new school begin to take shape over the coming months.

Jackie Gatenby - Clerk



I am clerk to the temporary governing board and have been appointed to support the governors on the board during their work on the amalgamation of the two schools. In the past, I have clerked for primary, secondary and academy boards.

I work in the governance team at West Sussex County Council (WSCC) where I have been for over 15 years. My role there is to support clerks and governors across the county. I also work with a colleague on writing and delivering the WSCC training offer for clerks to governing boards.

I have expertise in education legislation and governance issues and have supported similar amalgamations in the past.