



Mrs Jacqui Phillips

Jacqui... I have been a governor at Stroud High School since 1999 and Chair of Governors since 2001. I have also served 23 years as a primary school governor and worked as an additional governor or interim executive board member at five other schools.

Before having children I worked firstly for London Transport and then as a traffic engineer linking signals via computers to optimise vehicle movement in city networks throughout West Yorkshire. Arriving in Gloucestershire with two daughters I followed them into school and became a governor.

I enjoy all aspects of governance and have chaired a variety of committees over the years but I feel passionate about wanting students to be able to access the best available education.

Governors' Committees: Steering Group (Chair); may attend all committees. Health and Safety, Data Protection and Looked After Children Governor



Mr Chris Ryland

Chris ... I have four daughters, the two younger of whom attended Stroud High School which is how I first became a governor in 1999. In addition to my duties as Vice Chair, I am particularly interested in supporting the further development of our programme of foreign exchanges, believing that such visits are key to providing our students with a broader education about the world. I have been involved with the Afritwin link from the start and am now assisting the school to develop a relationship with a similar school in South Korea. Also as my business background is in ICT, I take an active interest in maintaining the school's technology infrastructure.

Governors' Committees: Headteacher's Appraisal (Chair), Communications and Admissions (Chair), Communications and Online Safety (Chair); may attend all committees



Mrs Pauline Blacklock

Pauline ... I have been Clerk to the Governors at Stroud High School for 10 years and enjoy working closely with the governors of the school. As part of my role I clerk all meetings of the Full Governing Board as well as the majority of the individual committees.

I am also the school Office Manager and Admissions Officer, as well as Company Secretary for the academy.

Governors' Committees: Communications and Admissions, Clerks all other committees



Mr Chris Chatterton

I have been involved in education at all levels for many years, including as a secondary school teacher, Chair of an Early Years setting and a primary school governor. Having joined the Governing Board as my daughter entered Year 7, I am looking forward to the opportunity to make a significant contribution to the school in the years to come.

I am a former Mayor of the City of Gloucester and have a strong interest in local communities and the role schools and young people can play in their communities.

Governors' Committees: Student Learning



Mr Phil Cowley

Phil ... I joined Stroud High School Governing Board as a Support Staff Governor in July 2013, I am Site Manager here at the school and have been in this post since 2011. My background is in the building trade having run my own building and maintenance company prior to working in the education sector.

Being a governor has given me the opportunity to learn a lot about many aspects of the school and enables me to use my knowledge of the running of the school to make a contribution.

Governors' Committees: Student Learning



Mr Andy Cutbill

Andy ... I became a governor at Stroud High School in 2011, when my daughter joined year 7. My daughter has benefited enormously from her time at Stroud High School and I became a governor to give something back to the school. My son has special needs and I supported his previous school as parent governor. This experience has helped me as I have taken on Special Educational Needs (SEND) oversight at Stroud.

My career is in financial services and I have extensive experience of developing strategies, designing services and managing budgets; my current role involves dealing with and finding solutions to complex challenges. These skills and business experience help me contribute to governance.

Like most parents, my wife and I spend a lot of our free time supporting our children at clubs and sporting events. My remaining free time is devoted to my other passions – cycling and music.

Governors' committees: Student Learning, Communications and Admissions, SEND Governor



Dr Dylan Davies

Dylan ... I joined the Stroud High School Governing Board as a Parent Governor in October 2008, having previously served as a Parent Governor at the Croft School, Painswick. In 2012 I became Chair of the Student Learning (formerly Curriculum) Committee. My professional background is in engineering and management in the oil and gas industry.

The aspects of school governance that I enjoy the most are the challenges of collectively making the right decisions for the school in uncertain times, and the positive attitude throughout the school, across students, staff and the governing board.

Governors' Committees: Student Learning (Chair), Steering Group, Headteacher's Appraisal



Mr Phillip Duncan

Phillip ... I have been a governor at Stroud High School since 2009 and I have also been Chair of Governors at Amberley Parochial School.

I am a director of several small environmental businesses and have used my experience of managing tight budgets as chair of the Finance committee at Stroud High School.

I enjoy the ever changing challenge of governorship but also being able to give something back to the school community that educated both my daughters.

Governors' committees: Resources



Mr Fred Ford

Fred ... I have been a Parent Governor since 2015. I bring my professional experience as a change management consultant to look at how the learning experience can be constantly improved and I have a particular interest in mental health.

The aspects of school governance that I enjoy the most are being involved in helping shape the future of the school.

Governors' Committees: Steering Group, Student Learning (Vice Chair), Pay Review



Mrs Susan Freck

Susan ...I have been a Governor at Stroud High School since 2002. I have a background of Primary Teaching and I am also a governor at Foxmoor Primary School. Since my daughters were students at the school I have had an interest in the history of the High School and I am currently researching some of the schools older pictures and other artefacts.

The aspects of school governance that I enjoy the most are being involved in the continuing development of schools and educational practice.

Governors' Committees: Student Learning, Communication and Admissions, Pay Review. PSA Governor



Miss Sally Haigh

Sally ... I have been a staff governor since 2014, having been involved with Stroud High School one way or another since coming here as a student in 1975! I took on the role not only to represent my colleagues, but to have the opportunity to contribute to the development and on-going success of the school in times of great change; it has given fascinating insight and the chance to work with stakeholders from across the community.

Governors' Committees: Student Learning



Mr Richard Harwanko

Richard ... I was elected as a Parent Governor in late 2015 having previously been a governor at a local Primary School for 9 years. Whilst understanding general school governance, working as a senior manager within a large Engineering corporation, I bring a strong understanding of financial and personnel matters as well as a systematic and logical approach when working work collaboratively with the school leadership team, its staff and parents.

The aspects of school governance that I enjoy the most are seeing the results of my efforts contribute in some way to maintaining a high quality learning establishment for each and every one of its girls.

Governors' Committees: Resources (Vice Chair), Pay Review, Steering



Mr Geoff Marshall

Geoff ... I am a local business owner and I have been a governor at Stroud High School since 2003, first as Parent Governor, with my three daughters passing through the school, and subsequently as Community Governor until the change to Academy status. I have chaired the Student Learning Committee and was Chair of Finance Committee until I moved to live and work in Dubai in 2013 on a 5-year contract. I currently Skype into meetings when not physically in the UK.

My interests in the governance at Stroud High School centre on the business finance and buildings development. I also have a keen interest in Admissions, having had experience of the process.

Governors' Committees: Resources, Communications and Admissions, Communications and Online Safety, Student Learning, Pay Review



Mrs Louise McGinty

LouiseI am a parent governor elected in March 2018. In my day job I am an Achievement Coach for Achievement for All. Within this national charity I evaluate and report on schools' uses of the Pupil Premium grant, and am also a Wellbeing Coach. I have valuable knowledge of how to implement and evaluate good practice in these areas in schools. As a primary school leadership specialist, I have extensive experience as an education consultant and training facilitator.

I have been a governor at my children's primary school as chair of their Curriculum and Learning committee, so I understand the commitment, role and demands of being a governor. I am keen to support the development of the school, as the challenges facing the school now will affect a generation of girls coming through the school, so it is important to get them right. As I am a practitioner who supports schools to raise the achievement of the most vulnerable and with complementary skills, I look forward to working with the talented board of governors already in post.

Governors' Committees: Student Learning



Mr Mark McShane

Mark ... I have been a governor since my appointment as Headteacher back in January 2014. I attend all of the Governors' Full Board meetings and all committee meetings.

It is a pleasure to work with such a committed and dedicated team of governors all of whom work so hard to plan the strategic future of the school.

Governors' committees: All committees



Mr Jonathan Morley

Jonathan ... I have been a governor at the school since 2012. I am a solicitor practising corporate law and bring to the governing board my understanding of legal and business affairs. I have also previously been a governor at a local village primary school.

The aspect of school governance that I enjoy the most is working as part of a team to find ways to overcome the different challenges faced by the school.

Governors' Committees: Steering Group, Communications and Admissions (Vice Chair), Communications and Online Safety (Vice Chair) Pay Review(Chair)



Mr Roy Nicholas

Roy ... I was first appointed to the joint governing board of Marling and Stroud High Schools when I was a County Councillor in the early 1980's; in 1986 I became a governor at Stroud High School.

I had a career in Personnel Management, and have also been a councillor for 50 years. During this time I developed a great interest and knowledge in Planning and Local Authority finance and these are some of the skills I bring to governance.

I enjoy my involvement with school finance especially now it is an academy and also working with a dedicated team of teachers and support staff who together with the students, and of course my fellow governors, all contribute to the well being and academic success of our wonderful school.

Governors' Committees: Resources



Mrs Alex Owen

Mum to two daughters, my eldest joined Stroud High Sixth form in September 2016 and my youngest is currently in Year 10.

My role as a HR Business Partner for a FTSE 250 Nuclear Engineering Company is focussed on building relationships with line managers and supporting them with employee related initiatives to help achieve business strategy objectives. I have experience of promoting diversity and inclusion in the workplace, supporting mental health awareness but am most passionate about providing opportunities to young people from all backgrounds.

I have previously been involved in School Governance at the girls' Infant and Junior schools and was a School Independent Appeal Panel member for Gloucestershire County Council for 6 years, reviewing appeals for infant and secondary school entry.

I feel extremely privileged to have been elected as a parent governor and hope my background and experience will be of benefit to the Governing Body; I am really looking forward to getting back into school governance at Stroud High School.

Governors' Committees: Resources



Mr Richard Wade

I was appointed a Parent Governor in December 2016 and have a daughter in Year 11.

I work for Lloyds Banking Group and am currently Head of Human Resources within the Retail Division. Previously in my career I have specialised in Learning & Development and spent several years in Management/Leadership Development roles. I am also a member of the Higher Education Advisory Panel with the London Institute of Banking & Finance and mentor the CEO of a Bristol based charity.

As a relative newcomer to School Governance I hope to be able to bring some of my business and professional skills and experience to the role.

Governors' committees: Student Learning



Mr Keith Withers

Keith ... I am very proud to be able to serve on the Governing Board of Stroud High School and to continue my long association with the school. An old Marlintonian myself, I have had two older sisters, two nieces and three daughters educated here.

I have been a primary governor for many years so it seemed a natural progression to follow into secondary governance in 2003. Being a practical farmer I have few formal qualifications to offer other than long experience and a pragmatic approach to problem solving.

Committee work is very rewarding, being able to discuss issues in depth; I particularly enjoy the strategic discussions which take place in Steering Group.

Governors' Committees: Resources(Chair), Steering Group, Communications and Admissions; Communications and Online Safety; Online Safety Governor