

Biographies for our Queens' Federation Governors

Toby Allebon is the elected Parent Governor for Queen Edith School. Toby now has one child at Queen Edith and joined the Governing Body in 2020. Toby has a background in financial planning and investment management. He sits on the Finance & Resources Committee and is the link Governor for Maths.

Jo Dooley is a Co-opted Governor. She has extensive experience as both a teacher and senior leader, currently working as an Assistant Headteacher at a Cambridge Secondary school. Jo has also worked for the national education charity, Villiers Park. Her previously attended Queen Emma School. Jo sits on the Standards & Improvement Committee and is the link Governor for Geography.

Craig Dyer is a Co-opted Governor. He is a former Senior Leader in Secondary Education, has a Masters in Education and has 15 years of teaching experience. He is currently an owner and managing director of a local accountancy and bookkeeping firm. Both of Craig's children attend Queen Emma. Craig has previous experience as a Governor and sits on the Standards and Improvement Committee.

Sarah Jarman is the Executive Headteacher and has been a Headteacher for 17 years and has a wide background in school improvement across a number of schools, including in London and Cambridgeshire. She is part of the Regional Leadership Headteacher Reference Group for the East of England. Sarah provides mentoring support to new Headteachers in the area and finds this very rewarding. She has two children, who are aged 4 and 9 and enjoys gardening and going to the gym, which she finds enables her to have a good work-life balance.

Sean Lang is Co-Chair of the Governing Body. He has a back ground in teaching history, currently at Anglia Ruskin University and before that at Netherhall and at Hills Road and Long Road Sixth Form Colleges. He originally joined the Governing Body as a Parent Governor and is now a Local Authority Governor. Sean sits on the Standards & Improvement Committee and is the link Governor for History.

Hannah Lewis Hannah Lewis is a Co-opted Governor. She is an HR professional and non-practising solicitor with a specialism in employment law. Hannah was a pupil at Queen Edith before moving on to Netherhall School, Hills Road Sixth Form College and a few 'dark blue' years reading Law at the University of Oxford. She sits on the Finance & Resources Committee and is the link Governor for PSHCE.

Joanna MacKenzie is a Co-opted Governor. She has two daughters; one of whom attends Queen Edith School, the other goes to the Netherhall School. She has a background in broadcast journalism both in the UK and New Zealand and governance experience and qualifications in early childhood education. Joanna sits on the Standards & Improvement Committee and is the Safeguarding Governor for Queen Edith School.

Ambili Nair is now in her second term and is a Co-opted Governor having previously been the Parent Governor for Queen Edith. Ambili has a background in scientific research and business development. She has three children at Queen Edith and is particularly interested in the teaching of Science and Literacy. Ambili is the link Governor for Science and sits on the Standards & Improvement Committee.

Harriet Phillips is a Co-opted Governor and is Chair of the Finance and Resources Committee. She has two children at Queen Emma School. She has a background in university teaching and research in English literature, working in Cambridge and London. After retraining, she currently works in public sector financial audit. Harriet sits on the Finance & Resources Committee and is the Link Governor for English and Phonics.

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Victoria Renfro is a Co-opted Governor. Throughout her career, Victoria has been committed to developing educational opportunities that focus on developing a lifelong love of learning, using creative methods and active learning. She has taught in UK and international schools for 14 years before moving to work in teacher professional development with Cambridge Assessment and Cambridge University Press. Victoria has two children in Queen Emma school and as a parent she values the school's inclusive environment and international community. She sits on the Standards & Improvement committee and is the Safeguarding Governor at Queen Emma.

Steven Rothwell is the Vicar at St James' Church and has been in post since September 2016. The post is half-time and for the remainder of the working week he is the Curate Training Officer for Ely Diocese. He has been a school governor at 2 other schools, in Cambridge and Bedfordshire. He is particularly interested in how organisations, like the church and schools, can work in partnership within the wider community. Steve sits on the Standards & Improvement Committee and is the link Governor for RE.

Nicola Simmons is the elected Staff Governor and has recently taken on the post of acting Deputy Headteacher at Queen Edith. She has worked in education for over ten years, focusing on many different aspects. Nicola is a member of the Standards & Improvement Committee.

Sulochana Subramaniam has a background in the R&D sector and has worked with computer vision and artificial intelligence. She is especially interested in working with schools because she has extensive academic experience. Sulochana is the parent governor for Queen Emma School and sits on the Finance and Resources Committee.

Richard Wilson is Deputy Principal at The Netherhall School. He is a Partnership Governor and sits on the Finance & Resources Committee. Richard is the link Governor for Music.

Stanley Wilson has a background in construction and is a Chartered Building Surveyor with a number of years' experience in property maintenance and new builds, particularly relating to schools. He sits on the Finance & Resources Committee and is the Health and Safety Governor across both schools.