

Governor Details 2026-2027

At Buxton Community School, we have a team of governors that work as volunteers to support the school. Their role is to develop a vision and strategy for the school; oversee financial performance and make sure that money is well spent; hold the headteacher to account for the educational performance of the school and to engage with young people, staff, parents and the wider school community to understand their views.

Governors are expected to attend 6 Local Governing Team (LGT) meetings each year for approximately 2 hours per meeting. During these meetings governors look at a wide range of information to monitor how well the school is performing. Detailed reports including safeguarding, data and finance are discussed at these meetings, as well as a more general headteachers report.

Governor Support

To support the work that goes on, governors are encouraged to participate in school visits twice a year for approximately an hour. Governors observe what is happening in school, look at the school environment and talk to the young people about their school.

New Governors

If an individual is interested in being a member on our LGT they would meet with the chair and headteacher and discuss what they could bring to the team. Following the recruitment process they would then be invited to attend the LGT meeting where they would be appointed. Governors are appointed for a 4-year term of office. Once appointed governors receive an induction and training for the role.

Our Local Governing Team

We are proud to have a committed team that is made up of individuals with a range of backgrounds and experience.

For more information, please contact the Governance Professional, Amy Buckley at abuckley@buxtoncommunityschool.co.uk

Role	Name	Appointed by/ Elected by	Term of office	Business interests	Relationships with other governors/ staff	Responsibility
Co-Chair of Governors	Amanda Johnson	Appointed by academy members	05/11/25 to 05/11/29	None	Member of Embark Governing Board	
Co-Chair of Governors	Paul Drummond	Appointed by academy members	05/11/25 to 05/11/29	None	Member of Embark Governing Board	
Headteacher	Samantha Jones	Embark and Governing Body	From 1 st June 2023	Headteacher at school.	None	
Staff Governor (Teaching)	Ciaran Buckley	Elected by school staff	17/01/26 to 17/01/30	English teacher and Head of Department at school.	None	
Staff Governor (Non-teaching)	Sandi Flint	Elected by school staff	23/05/24 to 22/05/28	Exam Invigilator in school	None	
Parent Governor	Lee-Ann Wood	Elected by parents Appointed by GB/board	18/07/24 to 17/07/28	No interests declared	Has a child at the school.	Safeguarding
Parent Governor	Kate Grant	Elected by parents	21/03/24 to 20/03/28	None	Has children at the school.	Policies
Foundation Governor	Roger Horne	Ex-officio foundation governor (appointed by foundation by virtue of the	01/06/23 to 06/12/29	Trustee of the Together Trust which manages PMLD College for young people for	None	Estates (to include Health and Safety)

		office they hold)		which Roger is the Chair of the Governing Body since 12/03/2020. Trustee for The Bingham Trust since 01/01/2000.		
Co-opted Governor	Carolyn Walker	Appointed by GB/board	01/06/23 to 31/05/27	No interests declared	None	Mental Health and Wellbeing
Co-opted Governor	Janette Naden	Appointed by GB/board	22/04/25 to 21/04/29	Exam Invigilator in school	None	
Co-Opted Governor	Leah Evans	Appointed by GB/board	08/07/26 to 08/07/30	Works as Solicitor for DCC Child Services.	None	

Governor vacancies

Currently recruiting for two Governors, please contact the Governing Professional Amy Buckley at abuckley@buxtoncommunityschool.co.uk

Historic (Governors stepped down in the last 12 months)

Name	Governor Type	Appointed by	Terms of Office
Judy Vale	Chair	Trust	01/06/23 to 08/10/26