

## Governor Details 2024-2025

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 9 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@buxton.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:abuckley@buxton.derbyshire.sch.uk)

<b>Role</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Appointed by/ Elected by</b>	<b>Term of office</b>	<b>Business interests</b>	<b>Relationships with other governors/ staff</b>	<b>Responsibility</b>
Chair of Governors/ Foundation Governor	Judith Vale	Ex-officio foundation governor (appointed by foundation by virtue of the office they hold)	01/06/23 to 06/12/25	Assistant Duty Manager at Buxton Theatre Trust, Buxton Opera House since 07/11/2008. Panel member for the High Peak Area for Derbyshire Youth Offending Service since 2008.	None	Safeguarding, SEND/Inclusion, Curriculum and Standards and Careers
Vice-chair of Governors/ 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
Headteacher	Samantha Jones	Embark and Governing Body	From 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2023	Headteacher at school.	None	
Staff Governor (Teaching)	Ciaran Buckley	Elected by school staff	01/06/23 to 17/01/26	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	PA to the Headteacher at the school.	None	

Parent Governor	Kate Grant	Elected by parents	21/03/24 to 20/03/28	None	Has children at the school.	SEND/Inclusion
Foundation Governor	Roger Horne	Ex-officio foundation governor (appointed by foundation by virtue of the office they hold)	01/06/23 to 06/12/25	Trustee of the Together Trust which manages PMLD College for young people for which Roger is the Chair of the Governing Body since 12/03/2020. Trustee for The Bingham Trust since 01/01/2000.	None	Estates (to include Health and Safety)
Co-opted Governor	Jo Carr	Appointed by foundation/Trust	01/06/24 to 31/05/27	No interests declared	None	Mental Health and Wellbeing
Co-opted Governor	Carolyn Walker	Appointed by GB/board	01/06/24 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 21/04/25	No interests declared	None	

#### **Governor vacancies**

Currently recruiting for two Governors, please contact the Governing Professional Amy Buckley at [abuckley@buxton.derbyshire.sch.uk](mailto:abuckley@buxton.derbyshire.sch.uk)

#### **Historic (Governors stepped down in the last 12 months)**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Governor Type</b>	<b>Appointed by</b>	<b>Terms of Office</b>
Helen Hazelhurst	Foundation (Vice Chair)	Local Governing Team	01/06/23 to 17/10/24

Emma Morten	Parent Governor	Local Governing Team	01/06/23 to 01/01/25
Joanne Eltringham	Parent Governor	Local Governing Team	01/06/23 to 07/11/24