

Governors of The Bishops' Blue Coat Church of England High School

Name	Appointed by	Date (re-) appointed	Term of office	Register of business, pecuniary and personal interests, including governance of other educational institutions (including date the interest began)
Ms Helen Cairns (Head Teacher and Accounting Officer)	N/A (Ex Officio)	1 st April 2023	N/A	Governor of The Bridge Short Stay School (PRU) (relevant since April 2023). Welfare Officer for Vicars Cross Dynamos, which hires school facilities. Parent of student (began September 2021) Step-daughter of temporary staff member. Wider family member of students.
Dr Elaine Hemmings	Diocesan Bishop	18 th December 2024	4 years	Trustee, The Samara Multi Academy Trust, Cheshire (began January 2024) Trustee, Chester Blue Coat CE Educational Foundation Member of Chester Diocesan Board of Education.
Mr Ralph Mainard	Chester Diocesan Board of Education	24 th September 2022	4 years	Advisor to Newton Prep Ltd, London (relevant interest since September 2023) Senior Associate at AQA (relevant interest since Sept 2018) Trustee, The Samara Multi Academy Trust, Chester (from November 2019 to June 2025) Advisor to The Concordia Multi Academy Trust (began July 2023; previously a Member of the trust) Director of Concordia Multi Academy Trust Services Ltd (began July 2023) Trustee, Chester Diocesan Academies Trust (began March 2022)
Revd Canon Andrew Stinson	Chester Diocesan Board of Education	1 st March 2024	4 years	Parent of student (began September 2024) Spouse of lunchtime club volunteer (relevant since March 2024)
Mr David Walsh	Chester Diocesan Board of Education	6 th May 2023	4 years	Parent of former student (began Sept 2013)
Mrs Jennifer Stratford	Chester Diocesan Board of Education	31 st March 2025	4 years	Education officer Chester Cathedral
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Dr Laura Edwards	Chester Blue Coat C of E Education Foundation	6 th September 2025	4 years	Parent of student (relevant interest began September 2021) Trustee, Albinism Fellowship (since 2025)
Mr Alex Taylor	Chester Blue Coat C of E Education Foundation	4 th September 2023	4 years	Financial Controller at The King's School, Chester, including managing finances of Chester Schools Together. Parent of student (relevant interest began September 2023) Vauxhall Motors FC Coach Upton Baptist Church Youth Group leader Treasurer of Time Away Charity
Mrs Fiona Jones	Chester Blue Coat C of E Education Foundation	31 st March 2025	4 years	Parent of former student (began 2014)
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Mr Steven Corley	Parent Governor	1 st April 2023	4 years	Parent of former student (relevant interest since September 2021)
Ms Sarah Emes-Young	Parent Governor	1 st April 2023	4 years	Parent of former student (relevant interest since September 2021) Employed by South Cheshire Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Project Manager for the Local Skills Improvement Plan (relevant interest since 2023). Volunteer Enterprise Advisor with The Cheshire and Warrington Pledge (relevant interest since 2023).
Mr Andrew Hardman	Staff Governor	31 st October 2022	4 years	Employed by the school
Mr Jonathan Price	Staff Governor	31 st October 2022	4 years	Employed by the school

Dr Michael Bird	Co-opted Governor	6 th September 2025	4 years	Employed by the University of Chester's department that works with the school in the provision of Initial Teacher Education (relevant interest since September 2021)
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Register of Members' Interests

Member	Role	Register of business, pecuniary and personal interests (including governance of other educational institutions)
Rt Revd Mark Tanner	Bishop of Chester	Fellow of St John's College, Durham Trustee and Governor of University of Chester (Company) Member Emmanuel Theological College Member of Archbishop's Council (Company) Member of Diocesan Board of Education (Chester Diocese)
The Chester Diocesan Board of Education	N/A	The Academy pays an annual Family of Schools subscription to the Diocesan Board of Education
Professor Graeme White	Appointed by the Chester Blue Coat Church of England Educational Foundation	Chair of Chester Blue Coat CE Educational Foundation The Samara Multi Academy Trust, Cheshire (ceased July 2025)
Mr David Walsh	Co-chair of the Governing Body	See above
Mr Ralph Mainard	Co-chair of the Governing Body	See above

Former Governors and Members who have served within the last 12 months

Name	Appointed by	Date appointed	Date stepped down	Register of business, pecuniary and personal interests, including governance of other educational institutions (including date the interest began)
Revd Preb Paul Towner	Chester Diocesan Board of Education	2 nd November 2020	2 nd November 2024	Trustee of Retreat House Chester (Chair 2021-2023; Treasurer from 2023)

Last updated September 2025 Governors and Members submit any new interests as they arise and a full review of the register is carried out at least annually.