

# Item No 8, Forum Membership

## Report of David Watchman, Finance Manager-Children and Young People’s Services

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### Purpose of the Report

- 1      To provide an overview of changes to the membership of the Forum and to present to members with an updated schedule of Schools Forum members.

### Voting

- 2      All members are entitled to vote on the recommendation in this report.

### Recommendation(s)

- 3      Forum members are recommended to note the changes outlined in the report and the current updated position with regards to membership of the Forum in Appendix A (members) and Appendix B (substitutes).

## **Background**

- 4 Members are elected or nominated for each category according to the Forum's constitution. The constitution takes account of statutory guidance in determining membership categories and the numbers of members, which has regard to the mainstream pupil numbers in the different school phases and academies. Members are elected or nominated for fixed terms and can be re-elected or re-nominated.

## **Changes to membership**

- 5 The following changes to Forum membership have occurred since the last meeting:
- (a) Sandra Whitton has been re-elected as a Primary Headteacher.
  - (b) Helen Tait has been re-elected as a Primary Headteacher.
  - (c) Rachel Butler has been elected as a Primary Headteacher.
  - (d) Natalie Maughan has been elected as a substitute Primary Headteacher.
  - (e) Joanne Bromley has been elected as a substitute Primary Headteacher.
  - (f) Helen Ashton has been elected as an Academy Member.
  - (g) Andy O'Sullivan has been reappointed as substitute Secondary Headteacher.
  - (h) Lisa Jenkins has been appointed as a Nursery Headteacher.
  - (i) Joanne Shaw is no longer a primary maintained headteacher following the conversion of her school in February.

## **Contact**

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## **Appendix A: Current Forum Membership**

### **Forum Membership at March 2024**

There are 57 members, and a quorum is 40%, or 23 members.

Members are listed below by category, showing the number of members included in the constitution, their school, (for maintained school members) and their term of office.

#### **Nursery Head Teacher (one member)**

- Lisa Jenkins (Aclet Close Nursery), 13 February 2024 to 12 February 2028

#### **Nursery school Governor (one member)**

- Sarah Scott (Rosemary Lane Nursery), 13 July 2023 to 12 July 2027

#### **Primary Headteachers (nine members)**

- Mark Watson (Leadgate Primary), 31 March 2022 to 30 March 2026
- Nicola James (St Andrews Primary), 7 July 2022 to 6 July 2026
- Alice Hassall (St Oswald's CE Primary), 7 July 2022 to 6 July 2026
- Bethan Smith (Framwellgate Moor Primary), 16 June 2023 to 15 June 2027
- Charlotte Ferguson (Langley Moor Primary), 16 June 2023 to 15 June 2027
- Helen Tait, (St Margaret's CE Primary), 29 January 2024 to 28 January 2028
- Dr Sandra Whitton (Finchale Primary), 29 January 2024 to 28 January 2028
- Rachel Butler (Chester-le-Street CE Junior), 29 January 2024 to 28 January 2028
- One vacancy

### **Primary Governors (six members)**

- Shirley Quinn (Timothy Hackworth Primary), 16 August 2021 to 15 August 2025
- Peter Nicholls (Bowes Hutchinson CE Primary & Cotherstone Primary), 16 August 2021 to 15 August 2025
- Jennifer Tremewan (Escomb Primary), 15 August 2022 to 14 August 2026
- Mary Turner (Sherburn Primary), 15 August 2022 to 14 August 2026
- Two vacancies

### **Secondary Headteachers (one member)**

- Paul Marsden (Belmont School), 10 May 2021 to 9 May 2025

### **Secondary Governors (one member)**

- Professor Simon Morris (Durham Johnston School), 8 July 2021 to 7 July 2025

### **Special Headteacher (one member)**

- Rachel Grimwood (Durham Trinity School), 28 March 2023 to 27 March 2027

### **Special Governor (one member)**

- Philip Chater (Walworth School), 16 August 2021 to 15 August 2025

### **Representative of Maintained Pupil Referral Units (one member)**

- Lesley Candler (The Woodlands), 11 November 2023 to 10 November 2027

### **Academies (twenty members)**

- Madeleine Hope, 26 November 2020 to 25 November 2024
- Jane Henderson, 26 November 2020 to 25 November 2024

- Janet Willis, 8 March 2021 to 7 March 2025
- Lee Alexander, 8 March 2021 to 7 March 2025
- Ken Neild, 8 March 2021 to 7 March 2025
- Claire Oates, 19 August 2021 to 18 August 2025
- Andy Collishaw, 19 August 2021 to 18 August 2025
- Karen Oliver, 19 August 2021 to 18 August 2025
- Kevin Brennan, 29 September 2022 to 28 September 2026
- Helen Ashton, 30 January 2024 to 29 January 2028
- Ten vacancies

### **Special Academies (one member)**

- Mick Little (Hopewood Academy), 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2027

### **Alternative Provision Academies (one member)**

- Kerrie Whelan, 29 June 2023 to 28 June 2027

### **Providers of 16 to 19 Education (one member)**

- One vacancy

### **Private, Voluntary and Independent Nurseries (two members)**

- James Roy, 21 March 2023 to 20 March 2027
- One vacancy

### **Roman Catholic Diocese (one member)**

- Michael Tiplady, 19<sup>th</sup> June 2023 to 18<sup>th</sup> June 2027

### **Church of England Diocese (one member)**

- Lindsey Vollans, 9 June 2023 to 8 June 2027

### **National Education Union (NEU) Representative (one member)**

- Ian Bain, 26 August 2020 to 25 August 2024

**NASUWT Representative (one member)**

- Dan Lister, 7 June 2021 to 6 June 2025

**National Association of Headteachers (NAHT) Representative (one member)**

- Rachel Brannan, 11 May 2021 (Temporary)

**Association of School and College Leaders (ASCL) Representative (one member)**

- One vacancy

**Unison Representative (one member)**

- Pamela Laverick, 20 November 2023 to 19 November 2027

**GMB Representative (one member)**

- Les Timbey, 7 June 2021 to 6 June 2025

**Durham Association of Secondary Headteachers (DASH) (one observer)**

- Wendy Pattison, 8 March 2021 to 7 March 2025

**Looked After Children /Special Educational Needs / Hospital Education (one member)**

- Melanie Stubbs, 10 March 2021 to 9 March 2025

**Elected County Council Observers (one member)**

- Councillor Ted Henderson

## **Forum Substitute Membership**

Substitute members are listed below by category, showing the number of members included in the constitution, their school, (for maintained school members) and the term of office. There is provision in the constitution of the Forum for a substitute member for all members, with substitute members able to attend in place of an absent member. For both nursery and special school governors there is an extra substitute member. The extra substitute members are to recognise that in the event of a vacancy for the governor member there may be a significant period of time before the election of a replacement member.

### **Nursery Head Teacher Substitute (one member)**

- One vacancy

### **Nursery school Governor Substitutes (two members)**

- Two vacancies

### **Primary Headteacher Substitutes (nine members)**

- Nicola Murray (Kirk Merrington Primary), 7 July 2022 to 7 July 2026
- Joanne Bromley (King Street Primary), 29 January 2024 to 28 January 2028
- Natalie Maughan (Bowburn Primary), 29 January 2024 to 28 January 2028
- Six vacancies

### **Primary Governor Substitutes (six members)**

- Jenny Linsley (Gainford CE Primary), 16 August 2021 to 15 August 2025
- Councillor Mamie Simmons (Newton Hall Infants, Framwellgate Moor Primary & Durham Blue Coat CE Junior), 16 August 2021 to 15 August 2025
- Pam Monaghan (Silver Tree Primary), 16 August 2021 to 15 August 2025

- David Bowes (St Francis CE Junior), 16 August 2021 to 15 August 2025
- Angela Smith (St Anne's CE Primary), 16 August 2021 to 15 August 2025
- Stephen Forster (Lumley Junior), 16 August 2021 to 15 August 2025

### **Secondary Headteacher Substitutes (one member)**

- Andy O'Sullivan (Durham Johnston), 13 February 2024 to 12 February 2028

### **Secondary School Governor Substitutes (one member)**

- Lisa Ingleby (Greenfield Community College), 12 July 2022 to 11 July 2026

### **Special Headteacher Substitutes (one member)**

- Martyn Tweddle (The Oaks School), 12 July 2023 to 11 July 2027

### **Special School Governor Substitutes (two members)**

- Caroline Givens (Villa Real School), 12 July 2022 to 11 July 2026
- One vacancy

### **Representative of Maintained Pupil Referral Unit Substitute (one member)**

- Danielle James, 27 September 2023 to 26 September 2027

### **Academies Substitutes (twenty members)**

- Twenty vacancies

### **Special Academies Substitute (one member)**

- Adele Pearson (Hopewood Academy), 10 June 2023 to 9 June 2027

### **Alternative Provision Academies Substitute (one member)**

- One vacancy



### **Providers of 16 to 19 education Substitute (one member)**

- One vacancy

### **Private, Voluntary and Independent Nurseries Substitutes (two members)**

- Two vacancies

### **Roman Catholic Diocese Substitute (one member)**

- Angela Garrity, 14 September 2023 to 13 September 2027

### **Church of England Diocese Substitute (one member)**

- Kirsty Harrison-Brown, 10 June 2023 to 9 June 2027

### **National Education Union (NEU) Substitute (one member)**

- Vicky Bain, 26 August 2020 to 25 August 2024

### **NASUWT Representative Substitute (one member)**

- Deborah Egglestone, 7 June 2021 to 6 June 2025

### **National Association of Headteachers (NAHT) Substitute (one member)**

- One vacancy

### **Association of School and College Leaders (ASCL) Substitute (one member)**

- One vacancy

### **Unison Substitute (one member)**

- David Glew, 20 November 2023 to 19 November 2027

### **GMB Substitute (one member)**

- One vacancy

### **Durham Association of Secondary Headteachers (DASH) Substitute (one observer)**

- One vacancy

**Looked After Children /Special Educational Needs / Hospital  
Education Substitute (one member)**

- One vacancy