

## **An Introduction to the Governors**

### **Jemma Monkhouse**

#### **Co-opted Governor and current Chair of Governors**

I joined the Governing Board in November 2013. Prior to this I was a teacher and literacy subject leader at a primary school in Chesterfield.

I now work as a senior lecturer in primary and early year's education at Sheffield Hallam University, specialising in English and computing. I live with my husband and enjoy reading, acting and travelling.



### **Simon Oxspring**

#### **Co-opted Governor and current Vice Chair of Governors**

I became a school governor in January 2015. I am married to Sylvia and between us we have six grown up children and nine grandchildren.

I work in Chesterfield for Techman Engineering Limited, where we manufacture drilling tools for the world's oil exploration companies.

With the little spare time I have, I enjoy golf, watching rugby and travelling.



### **Vacant Position**

#### **Local Authority Governor**

**Ian McIntosh**  
**Parent Governor**

I joined the Governors in September 2014. I am married to Lisa and we have two children, twins Rhianna and Chester. Chester attends Ashgate Croft School and is in Silver class.

I am an ageing rocker that loves rock music! Other interests are running 3 times a week and gardening. I spent 17 years working and living in London.

My last position of employment was working with clients with Alzheimer's and Dementia.



**Lisa Hodgson**  
**Parent Governor**

I joined as a Parent Governor in March 2016. I am married to Kraig and have 3 children. Jessica, my eldest, is a student of Ashgate Croft School since September 2013.

I am the Parent Forum Co-ordinator of Derbyshire Parent Carer Voice, a constituted group funded by the Department for Education. Although as a Co-ordinator, I am employed by Derbyshire County Council. I work with parents and carers to influence changes to services to improve lives for families with children and young people with special education needs and disabilities.

In my spare time, I enjoy crafting, going to the gym, running and most of all spending time with my family.



**Paul Turner**  
**Parent Governor**

I joined the Governing Board in January 2018 as a Parent Governor.

I am the Regional Managing Director of the Yorkshire and East Midlands Region of Scottish Construction Company. In my spare time I enjoy spending time with my three children. I also enjoy getting into the Peaks, reading and travel.



**Michael Noon**  
**Co-opted Governor**

I joined the Governing board in January 2015.

I graduated from Sheffield Hallam University in 2014 with a degree in Sport Coaching and now work for Chesterfield FC Community Trust as the Activities and Education Officer. Through this job, I help provide sporting opportunities to people in Chesterfield, Bolsover and North East Derbyshire.

I also enjoy playing all sorts of sports, not just football, and I am looking forward to playing lots of different sports with the children at Ashgate Croft.



**Rob Dawe**  
**Co-opted Governor**

I joined the Governing Board in April 2018. Through my role as a Community Learning Disability / Transition Nurse, I have been working with pupils and staff at Ashgate Croft for 2 years now, and help with transition from school into various colleges and also adult services for future health input.

In my spare time I enjoy going to football matches, swimming and attending live music events. Lots of pets – 3 dogs, a cat, tortoise, tropical fish and shrimps! I also look after 3 people with learning disabilities, providing both day and weekend respite services.



**Vacant Position**  
**Co-opted Governor**

**Emily Gilthorpe**  
**Staff Governor**

I am currently in my 5<sup>th</sup> year working for Ashgate Croft and teach in one of the specialist behaviour classes. I thoroughly enjoy every moment in class and seeing the pupils progress.

I have 3 beautiful children aged 7, 3 and 2 and enjoy my time with them by getting outdoors as much as possible.

I enjoy going to the gym, swimming and watching films.



**Claire Jones**  
**Head Teacher and Staff Governor**

I joined Ashgate Croft School in 2001 as Deputy Headteacher. During my time as Deputy I was Head of Primary department twice and taught across the entire age and ability range at Ashgate Croft School.

I have previously worked in Special Schools in London and Herefordshire. I am married with two grown up children.



**Governing Board Committees**

<u>Curriculum &amp; Progress Committee</u> Monitoring progress of the School Improvement Plan (SIP), progress and attainment, achievement of pupils and reviewing curriculum policies with staff. Monitoring the quality of teaching.	<u>Resources Committee</u> All matters relating to the setting and managing of the school budget and the development and maintenance of the school buildings and grounds.
<u>Discipline Committee</u> Considers matters relating to individual pupils and permanent exclusion.	<u>Pay Committee</u> Meets annually to review teachers' salaries and made decisions on pay.