

## The Local Governing Body 2016-17: SSSfN

**Susan Teresa Cooke;** Link Director;



I trained as a teacher at Notre Dame College of Education in Liverpool before taking my first job at Queensway Middle School in Thetford.

I stayed there for 10 years before being seconded as an Advisory Teacher for ICT for 2 years working across the county helping primary schools come to terms with the introduction of computers in the classroom.

I then became Acting Head teacher of Woodton School for 2 terms before taking up Headship at Burston Primary school. I was there for 20 years before becoming responsible for the neighbouring school of Tivetshall too in an early partnership arrangement, until my retirement 3 years ago.

I was the NASUWT County Secretary for 5 years and remained an active member of the Norfolk Executive Committee of the NASUWT until my retirement. Throughout that period, I represented teachers on the County JCC, was the Primary Advisor to the Children's Services Review panel for approx. 20 years and served for 3 years on the National Primary NASUWT committee.

A few years before I retired I became a member of the Management Committee of the Southern Area PRU. As Chair of that committee I was able to push for more support in mainstream schools, so the CST concept is very dear to my heart.

Following reorganisation of the service I joined the newly formed SSSfN management committee which eventually morphed into the governing body. In becoming an Academy, I became a Trustee as well as a governor.

**Des Damian Charles Reynolds;** COG and CEO



**Dr Cathleen Susan Catt;** Vice Chair of Governors;



I have been involved professionally in education for over 30 years and have taught in a number of schools across Suffolk and Norfolk in a variety of different roles, including Head of Sixth Form and Senior Teacher in a large mainstream School in Suffolk and most recently as a member of the Leadership Team of the Short Stay School for Norfolk. In the past seven years I have also been involved, through the University of East Anglia, in supporting postgraduates training to become teachers and supervising both undergraduate and post graduate students in Social Work. I have run my own business and been involved in a number of interventions to improve educational outcomes for vulnerable young adults.

I am passionate about education and its crucial importance in terms of life chances for all children and I bring to the role of Governor my extensive experience of education in a variety of settings, my analytical and research expertise and my proven leadership and communication skills

**Lynsay Marie Barrett;** Staff Governor;



I am 35 years old and have 2 children aged 4 & 7.

I went to City College Norwich for 3 years where I studied to be a Nursery nurse. I completed and passed 2 courses, NNEB and Certificate in Childcare and Education.

In 2001 I started working at Earthsea and am still currently there!! At Earthsea I take the lead for Food tech which I plan and teach.

I am a Councillor for the Parish of East Tuddenham and have been for about 6 years. I have been on the management committee and local governing body for about 7 or 8 years and represent the staff of the SSSfN having been elected from the Staff forum.

**Jenny Bird;** Staff Governor;



Hi I'm Jenny,

I am the teaching staff representative for the SSSfN, Brooklands site.

I have been on the governing body for approximately a year, since the SSSfN converted to an Alternative Provision Academy in April 2014. Before this I was on the management committee for 2 years. I was also a member of the governing body of the Douglas Bader School, prior to the formation of the SSSfN.

I started teaching Geography and History at the Douglas Bader School in 2009. In 2011 I became the Engagement Lead at DBS; I have also been responsible for the SEN provision across the SSSfN for the last 18months.

**Trevor John Cockburn; Stakeholder governor**



I qualified as a Youth Worker at Manchester Polytechnic in 1989, worked in Lincolnshire's Youth Service until 2003, before managing the youth work team in Breckland until 2006.

I then moved into Children's Services management with responsibility in East Norfolk for Educational Psychology, Special Educational Needs, Brooklands Pupil Referral Unit and the Children with Disabilities Team.

Since 2009 I have worked for the Partnership of East Norfolk Schools which became Horatio House in 2011, part of the Great Yarmouth Community Trust in 2015. I manage a range of services including Alternative Provision at Key Stage 4 (some at KS3) and outreach services at both Primary and Secondary phases

**Charles Andrew Lamb; Stakeholder Governor;**



I am a 53 year old married man with two children and one grandson. I have keen interests in football and cricket.

A Nottingham man until moving to Norfolk 16 years ago, I have a varied employment history ie. coal miner, John Lewis and bakery worker.

I am a Qualified Social Worker with specific training in group work at Tavistock in London, 20 years direct experience of working with children, mostly therapeutic, residential care. For the past 10 years this has involved management of Earthsea House as Registered Manager, responsible for leading the therapeutic work at Earthsea House and working closely in partnership with Earthsea School.

**Stefan John Rider; Parent Governor;**



Raised and educated in Norfolk, I spent three years in Bedford studying for a degree in Sports Science. After working in leisure and fitness, I joined Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service where I have provided a front line emergency response for the last twenty years. My current role focuses on managing emergency incidents, operational training and risk management.

I wanted to involve myself with the local community and the Short Stay School was a natural fit; I live close to the Locksley and, having experienced social and emotional issues through my own education, I hope to have an impact on the education of others going through the same experiences. I will use the experience and skills from my career as a firefighter to ensure that all of the school's sites provide a safe place for staff to work and pupils to thrive.

**Laura Margaret Sutton;** Governor;



I am the seventh of eight children, born and brought up in Richmond (Surrey). Although I quite enjoyed school I was not particularly successful in academic terms and left at the age of 16 with 5 'O' levels to take up a post as a trainee in a large commercial hotel. I became a Social worker in 1988 ;my motivation for entering the profession and specialising in work with children and families was a strong desire to 'make a difference', prevent abuse of children and improve outcomes for children who experience disadvantage. I was employed within local authority Children's Services for 26 years, the last 12 years as a senior manager. I have managed a range of operational social work teams within Children's Services including; Referral and Assessment; Children In Need/Family Support; Safeguarding / Child Protection; Looked After Children and Leaving Care. I also have senior line management experience of a range of multi-disciplinary services, including; Early Help Services including; CAF / Norfolk Family Focus Coordinators; Private Fostering; Unaccompanied Minors/Asylum Seekers; CAMHS early intervention; Targeted Support and Therapeutic Interventions; Early Years Operational Teams; Children's Centres; Educational Psychology and Teaching Support; SEN Additional Needs Co-ordinators and Youth Work.

I retired from Children's Services in May 2015 and became a Governor at the SSSfN in 2016 ;my interest in being on the Local Governing Body is linked to my motivation to 'make a difference' and a strong belief that all children and young people have a right to a good education. My aim is to ensure the opportunity for a positive experience of education and learning is maintained for those children and young people who experience difficulties in mainstream provision and that the school staff are supported to assist children and young people back to universal services whenever possible or, if necessary, to move on to a service able to meet more complex needs effectively and reduce the impact of any disadvantage.

**Jan Casey;** Governor;



I have many years' experience of teaching English at secondary level and was an advisory teacher for Traveller Education for 10 years in Cambridgeshire. Currently I work at City College Norwich.

My personal ethos of education fits with the mission and values of the SSSfN; my responsibility within the Governing Body is for Bullying and Racism and GRT.

**Tony McGhee;** Governor;



As a member of the Governing Body, the role of a governor is to ensure the school delivers good quality education; believe that children deserve a learning experience in school which they build on during their life. I want to offer the skills and experience of my career into an environment where I can give something back

**Sandra Summerfield:** Governor



My work with vulnerable children has informed a belief that all children can achieve and succeed when they experience creative and individualised learning opportunities. The SSSfN is well placed to deliver such an approach. I would like to be involved in a role which is supportive yet challenging to contribute my experience to an environment which can make a significant difference to children's lives.

**Leila Stubbs:** Governor



I am married with three children and six grandchildren. We have lived in Norfolk since 1980.

I trained and worked as a nurse in London and after moving to Norfolk, worked at BUPA and the West Norwich Hospital before becoming a school nurse at a large comprehensive school in Norwich where I worked for 21 years.

My role there was running the Medical Centre, liaising with external agencies, supporting staff, organising health events and teaching health related subjects.

During my time as a school nurse I have seen what can be achieved by children with difficulties and I hope that my experience will be of value to the SSSfN.

**John Rous Milligan:** Governor



**Vicky Setters;** Executive HT ex officio governor



**Katrina Warren;** Head of School Specialist ex officio governor

