

MAT Governance Structure



MEMBERS GFA Ltd <i>(1 vacancy)</i>	Chris Bell (Chair), Geoff Norris, Judy Storey, Kathryn Thomas (In attendance George Snaith, Hugh Robinson) (Maximum 5)
TRUSTEES GFA Ltd	Sophie Ashcroft, Lesley Bowes, Julie Crumbley, Roger Edwardson, John Hall, Jeff Lough*, Lesley Malthouse, Chris Nicholson, Jackie Slesenger, George Snaith (Chair) (Hugh Robinson Ex-officio) (Maximum 11)
GOSFORTH ACADEMY ADVISORY GROUP <i>(2 community vacancies)</i>	Naveen Athiraman, Chris Nicholson, Iqbal Syed Mark Harrison, Rachel Ramsay (Parent rep) Graham Vickers, Amy Bonello*** (Staff rep) (Hugh Robinson Ex-officio, Preit Chahal Ex-officio)
JUNIOR HIGH ACADEMY / GREAT PARK ACADEMY ADVISORY GROUP	Barbara Bonello, Lesley Bowes, Michelle Mason-Bowers, Gill Milne** Elizabeth O'Mahony**, Jackie Slesenger, Dave Vero (Chair)*, Debbie McCordall, Katharine Pringle Zoë Shaw, Anna Steer (Parent rep) Sean Blakey, Michael Richardson (Staff rep) (Hugh Robinson Ex-officio, Denise Waugh Ex-officio)
NORTH GOSFORTH ACADEMY / CALLERTON ACADEMY ADVISORY GROUP <i>(2 parent vacancies)</i>	Michael Baxter***, Cherri Blissett, David Bowes, Julie Crumbley (Chair)** & PP, Joy Doble, Christine Edwardson, Andrew Foster, George Snaith* Two Vacancies (Parent rep) Fin Davidson, Susan Pike (Staff rep) (Hugh Robinson Ex-officio, Pete Fox Ex-officio, Katie Innes Ex-officio)
JESMOND PARK ACADEMY ADVISORY GROUP <i>(2 community vacancies)</i>	Sophie Ashcroft, Roger Edwardson (Chair)*, Derek Neil *** Sara Bryson, Stacy Gillis** (Parent rep) Charlotte Brown, Julie Routledge (Staff rep) (Hugh Robinson Ex-officio, Steve Campbell Ex-officio)

If there are any vacancies each Local Advisory Group should consist of:-

- *Up to five community members*
- *Two staff representatives (one teaching and one support)*
- *Two parents*
- *Two Ex-officios*

KEY

*	Safeguarding Link
**	SEND Link
***	Careers/IAG Link
PP	Pupil Premium

**MEMBER, TRUSTEE AND ACADEMY ADVISOR INFORMATION – 1 SEPTEMBER 2021
(INCLUDING THOSE WHO HAVE SERVED IN LAST 12 MONTHS)**



Members					
Name	Member Responsibility	Member Appointment Dates	Appointed by	Term of Office	Business & Pecuniary Interests
Mr Christopher Bell	Chair of the Board of Members	Appointed 19/02/18	Members of the Academy Trust	In Perpetuity	Daughter (Nicola Mead) will be employed by Gosforth Federated Academies Ltd as MAT English and Literacy intervention teacher from 6 September 2021.
Mr Geoff Norris	Trustee Finance and Audit Committee	01/09/21	Members of the Academy Trust	In Perpetuity	Underscar Owners Club Ltd - Director and Member of the Board since October 2017. Gosforth Federated Academies Trust – Trustee. Resigned as of 31 August 2021. Member of Gosforth Academy Advisory Group since 01/01/21 (Chair). Resigned as of 31 August 2021.
Mrs Judy Storey	Member	Appointed 25/10/18	Original (signatory) members	In Perpetuity	None.
Mrs Kathryn Thomas	Member	Appointed 01/09/13	Members of the Academy Trust	In Perpetuity	None.

Members - Historic (left within last 12 months)					
Name	Member Responsibility	Member Appointment Dates	Appointed by	Term of Office	Business & Pecuniary Interests
Mr David Gregory	Chair of the Board of Members	Appointed 05/11/10	Original (signatory) members	09/10/20*	A Trustee of NECA – a charitable company limited by guarantee. NECA, Derwent Point, Clasper Way, Swalwell, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE16 3BE.

**Mr Gregory sadly passed away on October 9th, after many years of service at Gosforth as a governor and latterly Chair of the Members' Group.*

Trustees/Company Directors					
Name	Responsibility/Committee Membership	Trustee Appointment Dates	Appointed by	Term of Office End	Business & Pecuniary Interests
Mrs Sophie Ashcroft	Trustee Finance and Audit Committee Staffing, Salaries and Performance Sub-Group	25/10/18	Members of the Academy Trust	14/11/2022	Director of Cluasa since March 2014. Employed by SAFC Foundation of Light since March 2019. Jesmond Park Academy since October 2019.
Mrs Lesley Bowes	Trustee Finance and Audit Committee	15/12/20	Members of the Academy Trust	14/12/2024	Spouse (David Bowes) is a North Gosforth Academy Advisor as of May 2021. Trustee and Vice Chair of Streetwise North (Charity) since August 2018. Gosforth Junior High Academy/Great Park Academy Advisor since 7 May 2021.
Dr Julie Crumbley	Trustee Finance and Audit Committee	20/05/21	Members of the Academy Trust	19/05/2025	North Gosforth Academy Advisor since 14 September 2020 (currently Chair).
Mr Roger Edwardson	Trustee Finance and Audit Committee Staffing, Salaries and Performance Sub-Group	19/02/18	Members of the Academy Trust	18/02/2022	Owner and Managing Director of Roger Edwardson Education & Children's Services Ltd since 2005. Jesmond Park Academy Advisor since 1 August 2020 (currently Chair). Spouse (Christine Edwardson) was Company Secretary of Gosforth Federated Academies since 2005 and resigned as of 31 August 2021. Spouse (Christine Edwardson) is now North Gosforth Academy Advisor as of 01/09/21.
Mr John Hall	Trustee Finance and Audit Committee	19/02/18	Members of the Academy Trust	18/02/2022	None

Trustees/Company Directors - Continued

Name	Responsibility/Committee Membership	Trustee Appointment Dates	Appointed by	Term of Office End	Business & Pecuniary Interests
Mr Jeff Lough	Trustee Finance and Audit Committee Staffing, Salaries and Performance Sub-Group Safeguarding Link between Trustees and Local Advisory Groups	19/02/18	Members of the Academy Trust	18/02/2022	Voluntary director on Knightsbridge Management Committee since 2005. Chair of Excelsior Academy LGB since 2017. Chair of LAC for Newcastle Bridges School since 2017. Vice-chair of Governors of Hawthorn Primary School since April 2017. Governor at Gosforth East Middle School since 2017. Trustee of Sporting Chance Northeast since 2018.
Mrs Lesley Malthouse	Trustee Finance and Audit Committee	20/05/21	Members of the Academy Trust	19/05/2025	Gosforth Academy Advisor since 1 January 2020. Resigned as of 31 August 2021.
Mr Chris Nicholson	Trustee Finance and Audit Committee	15/12/20	Members of the Academy Trust	14/12/2024	Gosforth Academy Advisor since 7 May 2021.
Mrs Jackie Slesenger	Trustee Finance and Audit Committee	19/02/18	Members of the Academy Trust	18/02/2022	Honorary Secretary of Henry Slesenger & Sons Ltd from 1970 – 14 January 2020. Trustee of the West End Food Bank Charity, Newcastle since 2015. Sacre Religious Education in Schools, Newcastle City Council. Previously held position of Vice-Chair as Council representative now a co-opted member since 2014. Honorary Alderman of Newcastle City Council since 22 May 2019. Gosforth Junior High Academy Advisor since 1 January 2020.

Trustees/Company Directors - Continued					
Name	Responsibility/Committee Membership	Trustee Appointment Dates	Appointed by	Term of Office End	Business & Pecuniary Interests
Mr George Snaith	Chair of Trustees Finance and Audit Committee	01/12/10. Next Chair of Trustees election is September 2020	Members of the Academy Trust	18/02/2022	Son (Dominic Snaith) works for potential book/stationery supplier (Blackwell Books) since 2017. Gosforth Federated Academies Trust - Chair of Trustees since 19 February 2018. Gosforth East Middle School – Chair of Governors - Governor since 1996. North Gosforth Academy Advisor since 27 June 2019. Gosforth Federated Academies Trust – attends Members Meetings since – 9 February 2018.
Ex Officio					
Mr Hugh Robinson	Chief Executive Officer and Accounting Officer	Appointed 19/02/08		At cessation of being CEO	Daughter (Sylvia Robinson) is employed by Gosforth Federated Academies Ltd as Coordinator of Learning Support (SENCO & EAL) at Gosforth Junior High Academy until 31 August 2021. Daughter (Sylvia Robinson) employed by Gosforth Federated Academies Ltd as Leader of Learning Support SENCO at Callerton Academy as of 1 September 2021. Principal of Gosforth Academy from 01/09/03 until 31/07/19. CEO of Gosforth Federated Academies Trust from 01/08/19. Gosforth Federated Academies Local Governing Body – Ex Officio from 05/11-10 – 31/12/19. Gosforth Federated Academies Trust - Ex Officio Gosforth Academy Advisory Group since 01/01/20.

Ex Officio - Continued					
Name	Responsibility/Committee Membership	Trustee Appointment Dates	Appointed by	Term of Office End	Business & Pecuniary Interests
					Gosforth Federated Academies Trust - Ex Officio Gosforth Junior High Academy Advisory Group since 01/01/20. Gosforth Federated Academies Trust – Ex Officio North Gosforth Academy Advisory Group since 22/02/18. Gosforth Federated Academies Trust - Ex Officio Jesmond Park Academy Advisory Group since 01/08/19. Gosforth Federated Academies Trust – attends Members Meetings since 05/11/10.
Trustees/Company Directors - Historic (left within last 12 months)					
Mr Geoff Norris	Trustee Finance and Audit Committee	19/02/18	Members of the Academy Trust	Resigned as of 31/08/21	Underscar Owners Club Ltd - Director and Member of the Board since October 2017. Gosforth Federated Academies Trust – Chair of Local Governing Body until 31 December 2019. Gosforth Federated Academies Trust – Gosforth Academy Advisor since 1 January 2020 until 31 August 2021.

Gosforth Academy Advisory Group (GA AG)					
Name	Responsibility	Advisory Group Appointment Dates	Appointed by	Term of Office End	Business & Pecuniary Interests
Dr Naveen Athiraman	Advisory Group (Community)	07/05/21	Foundation/ Trust	06/05/24	Daughter (Tarika Athiraman) is currently a student at Gosforth Academy.
Miss Amy Bonello	Advisory Group (Staff)	10/02/20	Elected by staff	09/02/23	Mother (Barbara Bonello) is a Gosforth Junior High/Great Park Academy Advisor as of 9 July 2021.

Gosforth Academy Advisory Group (GA AG) - Continued					
Name	Responsibility	Advisory Group Appointment Dates	Appointed by	Term of Office End	Business & Pecuniary Interests
Mr Mark Harrison	Advisory Group (Parent)	01/01/20	Elected by parents	31/12/21	None.
Mr Chris Nicholson	Advisory Group (Community)	07/05/21	Foundation/Trust	06/05/2024	Gosforth Federated Academies Trust – Trustee since 15 December 2020.
Mrs Rachel Ramsay	Advisory Group (Parent)	24/02/20	Elected by parents	23/02/23	None.
Dr Iqbal Syed	Advisory Group (Community)	01/01/20	Foundation/Trust	31/12/22	Success for all (charity) since 2016.
Mr Graham Vickers	Advisory Group (Staff)	10/05/21	Elected by staff	09/05/24	Daughter (Ella Lucy Vickers) currently a student at Gosforth Academy. Daughter (Elsi Mae Vickers) will be a Gosforth Academy student from September 2021.
Gosforth Academy Advisory Group (GA AG) Ex Officios					
Name	Responsibility	Advisory Group Appointment Dates	Appointed by	Term of Office End	Business & Pecuniary Interests
Mr Hugh Robinson	Chief Executive Officer and Accounting Officer	Appointed 01/01/20		At cessation of being CEO	Daughter (Sylvia Robinson) is employed by Gosforth Federated Academies Ltd as Coordinator of Learning Support (SENCO & EAL) at Gosforth Junior High Academy until 31 August 2021. Daughter (Sylvia Robinson) employed by Gosforth Federated Academies Ltd as Leader of Learning Support SENCO at Callerton Academy as of 1 September 2021. Principal of Gosforth Academy from 01/09/03 until 31/07/19.

Gosforth Academy Advisory Group (GA AG) Ex Officios - Continued					
Name	Responsibility	Advisory Group Appointment Dates	Appointed by	Term of Office End	Business & Pecuniary Interests
					<p>CEO of Gosforth Federated Academies Trust from 01/08/19.</p> <p>Gosforth Federated Academies Trust – Ex Officio Trustee since 19/02/18.</p> <p>Gosforth Federated Academies Local Governing Body – Ex Officio from 05/11-10 – 31/12/19.</p> <p>Gosforth Federated Academies Trust - Ex Officio Gosforth Junior High Academy Advisory Group since 01/01/20.</p> <p>Gosforth Federated Academies Trust – Ex Officio North Gosforth Academy Advisory Group since 22/02/18.</p> <p>Gosforth Federated Academies Trust - Ex Officio Jesmond Park Academy Advisory Group since 01/08/19.</p> <p>Gosforth Federated Academies Trust – attends Members Meetings since 05/11/10.</p>
Mr Preit Chahal	Principal	Appointed 01/01/20		At cessation of being Principal	Spouse (Joanne Lowther) is employed by Gosforth Federated Academies as Executive Director of Performance.

Gosforth Academy Advisory Group (GA AG) - Historic (left within last 12 months)					
Mr Gary Hunter	Advisory Group (Staff)	01/01/20	Elected by school staff	Resigned as of 30/04/21 (went to alternative employment)	None.
Mr Gary Hunter	Advisory Group (Staff)	11/05/21	Foundation/ Trust	Resigned as of 11/08/21	None.

Gosforth Academy Advisory Group (GA AG) - Historic (left within last 12 months) - Continued					
Name	Responsibility	Advisory Group Appointment Dates	Appointed by	Term of Office End	Business & Pecuniary Interests
Mrs Lesley Malthouse	Advisory Group (Community)	01/01/20	Foundation/Trust	Resigned as of 31/08/21	Gosforth Federated Academies Trust – Trustee as of 20 May 2021.
Mr Geoff Norris	Chair of Advisory Group (Community)	01/01/20	Foundation/Trust	Resigned as of 31/08/21	Underscar Owners Club Ltd - Director and Member of the Board since October 2017 Gosforth Federated Academies Trust – Trustee until 31 August 2021.
Mr Dave Vero	Vice-chair of Advisory Group SEND Link Governor	01/01/20	Foundation/Trust	Resigned as of 31/08/21	Employed as an invigilator at Gosforth Federated Academies Ltd since April 2018. Gosforth Junior High Academy Advisor since January 2020 (currently Chair).

Gosforth Junior High Academy Local Advisory Group (GJHA AG)					
Name	Responsibility	Advisory Group Appointment Dates	Appointed by	Term of Office End	Business & Pecuniary Interests
Mr Sean Blakey	Advisory Group (Staff)	01/01/20	Elected by school staff	31/08/22	Father is employed by Gosforth Federated Academies Ltd.
Mrs Barbara Bonello	Advisory Group (Community)	09/07/21	Foundation/Trust	08/07/25	Daughter (Amy Bonello) is a teacher at Gosforth Academy and is a Gosforth Academy Local Advisor (teaching representative).
Mrs Lesley Bowes	Advisory Group (Community)	07/05/21	Foundation/Trust	06/05/24	Spouse (David Bowes) is an NGA Academy Advisor as of May 2021. Trustee and Vice Chair of Streetwise North (Charity) since August 2018. Gosforth Federated Academies Trust – Trustee since 15 December 2020.
Mrs Michelle Mason-Bowers	Advisory Group (Community)	09/07/21	Foundation/Trust	08/07/25	None.

Gosforth Junior High Academy Local Advisory Group (GJHA AG) - Continued

Name	Responsibility	Advisory Group Appointment Dates	Appointed by	Term of Office End	Business & Pecuniary Interests
Mrs Debbie McCordall	Advisory Group (Community)	23/01/20	Foundation/Trust	22/01/23	Trustee of Children North East since 2014. Director of Accentuate North East Ltd since 2006 (along with spouse, Rick McCordall). Spouse has been the owner of RDMC Properties since 2019. Spouse has been a further education consultant for Northumbria University since 2018. Spouse has been a Director of ZMove since 1 August 2019. Spouse has been a Trustee of Middleton Foundation – Charity Escapes since April 2019 Spouse has been Director of Charity Escapes Ltd since November 2016.
Mrs Gill Milne	Advisory Group (Community)	01/01/20	Foundation/Trust	31/12/22	Husband (Tom Tinsley) has been a Company Director of Transcendit since 2000.
Mrs Elizabeth O'Mahony	Advisory Group (Community)	01/01/20	Foundation/Trust	31/12/22	Member of governing body of St Charles RC Primary, since December 2019.
Mrs Katharine Pringle	Advisory Group (Community)	09/07/21	Foundation/Trust	08/07/25	Husband (Phil Pringle) is a Director of Connectment LTD since 2013. Employed as a teacher at Bishop Bewick Catholic Education Trust since 2019.
Mr Michael Richardson	Advisory Group (Staff)	01/01/20	Elected by staff	31/12/22	None.
Mrs Zoë Shaw	Advisory Group (Parent)	01/01/20	Elected by parents	31/12/21	None.

Gosforth Junior High Academy Local Advisory Group (GJHA AG) - Continued

Name	Responsibility	Advisory Group Appointment Dates	Appointed by	Term of Office End	Business & Pecuniary Interests
Mrs Jackie Slesenger	Advisory Group (Community)	01/01/20	Foundation/ Trust	31/12/22	Honorary Secretary of Henry Slesenger & Sons Ltd from 1970 – 14 January 2020. Trustee of the West End Food Bank Charity, Newcastle since 2015. Sacre Religious Education in Schools, Newcastle City Council. Previously held position of Vice-Chair as Council representative now a co-opted member since 2014. Honorary Alderman of Newcastle City Council since 22 May 2019. Gosforth Federated Academies Trust – Trustee since 19 February 2018.
Mrs Anna Steer	Advisory Group (Parent)	28/01/20	Elected by parents	27/01/23	New Day Children’s Centre Charity – Charity Trustee since 2005. Parent Governor/SEND link governor at Archibald First School since 2015.
Mr Dave Vero	Chair of Advisory Group SEND Link Governor	01/01/20	Foundation/ Trust	31/12/22	Employed as an invigilator at Gosforth Federated Academies Ltd since April 2018. Gosforth Academy Advisor – resigned as of 31 September 2021.
Ex Officios					
Mr Hugh Robinson	Chief Executive Officer and Accounting Officer	Appointed 01/01/20		At cessation of being CEO	Daughter (Sylvia Robinson) is employed by Gosforth Federated Academies Ltd as Coordinator of Learning Support (SENCO & EAL) at Gosforth Junior High Academy until 31 August 2021. Daughter (Sylvia Robinson) employed by Gosforth Federated Academies Ltd as Leader of Learning Support SENCO at Callerton Academy as of 1 September 2021.

Gosforth Junior High Academy Local Advisory Group (GJHA AG) Ex Officios - Continued

Name	Responsibility	Advisory Group Appointment Dates	Appointed by	Term of Office End	Business & Pecuniary Interests
					Principal of Gosforth Academy from 01/09/03 until 31/07/19. CEO of Gosforth Federated Academies Trust from 01/08/19. Gosforth Federated Academies Trust – Ex Officio Trustee since 19/02/18. Gosforth Federated Academies Local Governing Body – Ex Officio from 05/11-10 – 31/12/19. Gosforth Federated Academies Trust - Ex Officio Gosforth Academy Advisory Group since 01/01/20. Gosforth Federated Academies Trust – Ex Officio North Gosforth Academy Advisory Group since 22/02/18. Gosforth Federated Academies Trust - Ex Officio Jesmond Park Academy Advisory Group since 01/08/19. Gosforth Federated Academies Trust – attends Members Meetings since 05/11/10.
Ms Denise Waugh	Principal	Appointed 01/01/20		At cessation of being Principal	Partner has owned Jon Punshon Mountaineering since 2011. Technical Advisor for Gosforth Academy Climbing Wall. Employed by GFA Ltd as Great Park Academy Principal Designate since 12 April 2021

Gosforth Academy Advisory Group (GJHA AG) - Historic (left within last 12 months) - NONE

Jesmond Park Academy Advisory Group (JPA AG)					
Name	Responsibility	Advisory Group Appointment Date	Appointed by	Term of Office End	Business & Pecuniary Interests
Mrs Sophie Ashcroft	Trustee Finance and Audit Committee Staffing, Salaries and Performance Sub-Group	25/10/18	Members of the Academy Trust	14/11/2022	Director of Cluasa since March 2014. Employed by SAFC Foundation of Light since March 2019. Jesmond Park Academy Advisor since October 2019.
Mrs Charlotte Brown	Advisory Group (Staff)	01/11/19	Elected by staff	31/10/22	None.
Ms Sara Bryson	Advisory Group (Parent)	01/11/22	Elected by parents	31/10/22	Employed by Citizens UK, Tyne & Wear Citizens since 2016. Trustee for Baltic Centre for Contemporary Art since 2018. Chair of Trustees at West End Women & Girls Centre since 2019.
Mr Roger Edwardson	Chair of Advisory Group Staffing, Salaries and Performance Sub-Group	01/08/19	Foundation/ Trust	31/07/20	Owner and Managing Director of Roger Edwardson Education & Children's Services Ltd since 2005. Gosforth Federated Academies Trust – Trustee since February 2018. Spouse (Christine Edwardson) Company Secretary of Gosforth Federated Academies since 2005 and resigned as of 31 August 2021. Spouse (Christine Edwardson) is now a North Gosforth Academy Advisor as of 1 September 2021.
Dr Stacy Gillis	Advisory Group (Parent)	01/11/19	Elected by parents	31/10/22	Council Member on Newcastle University Council since October 2018. Trustee of S. K. Killingley Trust since November 2020.
Mr Derek Neil	Advisory Group (Community)	23/01/20	Foundation/ Trust	22/01/23	None.

Jesmond Park Academy Advisory Group (JPA AG) Ex Officios

Name	Responsibility	Advisory Group Appointment Date	Appointed by	Term of Office End	Business & Pecuniary Interests
Mrs Julie Routledge	Advisory Group (Staff)	28/09/20	No election but nominated by support staff	27/09/23	None.
Mr Hugh Robinson	Chief Executive Officer and Accounting Officer	Appointed 01/08/19		At cessation of being CEO	<p>Daughter (Sylvia Robinson) is employed by Gosforth Federated Academies Ltd as Coordinator of Learning Support (SENCO & EAL) at Gosforth Junior High Academy until 31 August 2021.</p> <p>Daughter (Sylvia Robinson) employed by Gosforth Federated Academies Ltd as Leader of Learning Support SENCO at Callerton Academy as of 1 September 2021.</p> <p>Principal of Gosforth Academy from 01/09/03 until 31/07/19.</p> <p>CEO of Gosforth Federated Academies Trust from 01/08/19.</p> <p>Gosforth Federated Academies Trust – Ex Officio Trustee since 19/02/18.</p> <p>Gosforth Federated Academies Local Governing Body – Ex Officio from 05/11-10 – 31/12/19.</p> <p>Gosforth Federated Academies Trust - Ex Officio Gosforth Academy Advisory Group since 01/01/20.</p> <p>Gosforth Federated Academies Trust - Ex Officio Gosforth Junior High Academy Advisory Group since 01/01/20.</p> <p>Gosforth Federated Academies Trust – Ex Officio North Gosforth Academy Advisory Group since 22/02/18.</p> <p>Gosforth Federated Academies Trust – attends Members Meetings since 05/11/10.</p>

Jesmond Park Academy Advisory Group (JPA AG) Ex Officios

Name	Responsibility	Advisory Group Appointment Date	Appointed by	Term of Office End	Business & Pecuniary Interests
Mr Steve Campbell	Principal	Appointed 18/04/21		At cessation of being Principal	None.

Jesmond Park Academy Advisory Group (JPA AG) - Historic (left within last 12 months)

Name	Responsibility	Advisory Group Appointment Date	Appointed by	Term of Office End	Business & Pecuniary Interests
Mr Paul Anderson	Joint Acting Principal	Appointed 01/09/20		At cessation of being Joint Acting Principal (18/04/21)	None.
Mrs Claire Smith	Joint Acting Principal	Appointed 01/09/20		At cessation of being Joint Acting Principal (18/04/21)	None.

North Gosforth Academy Advisory Group (NGA AG)					
Name	Responsibility	Advisory Group Appointment Dates	Appointed by	Term of Office End	Business & Pecuniary Interests
Mr Michael Baxter	Advisory Group (Community)	01/01/20	Foundation/Trust	31/12/22	None.
Mrs Cherri Blissett	Advisory Group (Community)	07/05/21	Foundation/Trust	06/05/24	Director of Rocket Science UK Ltd since 9 March 2020. Director and co-owner of Rocket Science (Enterprises) UK Ltd since 26 February 2021.
Mr David Bowes	Advisory Group (Community)	07/05/21	Foundation/Trust	06/05/24	Spouse (Lesley Bowes) has been a Trustee for Gosforth Federated Academies Trust since 15 December 2020.
Dr Julie Crumbley	Chair of Advisory Group	01/01/20	Foundation/Trust	31/12/22 (Chair until Sept 2021)	Gosforth Federated Academies Trust – Trustee since 20 May 2020.
Mr Finlay Davidson	Advisory Group (Staff)	20/01/20	Elected by staff	19/01/23	None.
Mrs Joy Doble	Advisory Group (Community)	21/11/19	Foundation/Trust	20/11/22	None.
Mrs Christine Edwardson	Advisory Group (Community)	01/09/21	Foundation/Trust	31/08/24	Spouse (Roger Edwardson) is a Trustee and current chair of Jesmond Park Academy Advisory Group. Company Secretary for Gosforth Federated Academies Ltd until 31 August 2021.

North Gosforth Academy Advisory Group (NGA AG) - Continued

Name	Responsibility	Advisory Group Appointment Dates	Appointed by	Term of Office End	Business & Pecuniary Interests
Mr Andy Foster	Advisory Group (Community)	07/05/21	Foundation/ Trust	06/05/24	Is employed by Newcastle United Foundation (since September 2019) who currently have a contract with North Gosforth Academy which places a member of our staff in school on a full time basis. Member of Mary Astell Academy LAG since September 2019.
Ms Susan Pike	Advisory Group (Staff)	30/06/20	Elected by staff	29/06/23	None.
Mr George Snaith	Advisory Group (Community)	27/06/19	Foundation/ Trust	26/06/22	Son (Dominic Snaith) works for potential book/stationery supplier (Blackwell Books) since 2017. Gosforth Federated Academies Trust - Chair of Trustees since 19/02/18. Gosforth East Middle School – Chair of Governors - Governor since 1996. Gosforth Federated Academies Trust – attends Members Meetings since – 09/02/18.

North Gosforth Academy Advisory Group (NGA AG) – Ex-officios

Mr Hugh Robinson	Chief Executive Officer and Accounting Officer	Appointed 22/02/18		At cessation of being CEO	Daughter (Sylvia Robinson) is employed by Gosforth Federated Academies Ltd as Coordinator of Learning Support (SENCO & EAL) at Gosforth Junior High Academy until 31 August 2021. Daughter (Sylvia Robinson) employed by Gosforth Federated Academies Ltd as Leader of Learning Support SENCO at Callerton Academy as of 1 September 2021. Principal of Gosforth Academy from 01/09/03 until 31/07/19. CEO of Gosforth Federated Academies Trust from 01/08/19.
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North Gosforth Academy Advisory Group (NGA AG) Ex Officios - Continued

Name	Responsibility	Advisory Group Appointment Dates	Appointed by	Term of Office End	Business & Pecuniary Interests
					Gosforth Federated Academies Trust - Ex Officio Trustee since 19/02/18. Gosforth Federated Academies Local Governing Body - Ex Officio from 05/11-10 - 31/12/19. Gosforth Federated Academies Trust - Ex Officio Gosforth Academy Advisory Group since 01/01/20. Gosforth Federated Academies Trust - Ex Officio Gosforth Junior High Academy Advisory Group since 01/01/20. Gosforth Federated Academies Trust - Ex Officio Jesmond Park Academy Advisory Group since 01/08/19. Gosforth Federated Academies Trust - attends Members Meetings since 05/11/10.
Mr Peter Fox	Principal	Appointed 12/04/21		At cessation of being Principal	None.

North Gosforth Academy Advisory Group (NGA AG) - Historic (left within last 12 months)

Name	Responsibility	Appointment Date	Appointed by	Term of Office End	Business & Pecuniary Interests
Mr Malcolm Alderson	Advisory Group (Parent)	29/06/20	Parent appointed by Trust due to no election candidates	29/06/23 - resigned as of 22/08/21	None.

North Gosforth Academy Advisory Group (NGA AG) - Historic (left within last 12 months)					
Name	Responsibility	Appointment Date	Appointed by	Term of Office End	Business & Pecuniary Interests
Mr Steve Campbell	Principal	Appointed 22/02/18		11/04/21 – resigned as Principal	None.
Mrs Elaine Thompson	Advisory Group (Community)	27/06/19	Foundation/ Trust	Resigned as of 27/03/21	Daughter is a student at NGA (Ruby Thompson).

Notes

In accordance with the Academy Trust Handbook the Finance and Audit Committee is held at trustee level. The Finance and Audit constitution is to be reviewed in October in light of Academy Trust Handbook requirements.

The committee membership and governance responsibilities above were agreed in February 2018.

The following committees meet on an ad hoc basis (available and eligible Academy Advisors/Trustees to be called upon, in line with the decision planner, as and when necessary) –

- Pupil Discipline Committee
- Admissions Committee (including Curriculum Appeals)
- Staffing, Salaries and Performance Sub-Group

The Advisory Group acts as critical friend to the Principal on matters of performance; education, behaviour, attendance and staff performance.

Christopher Bell – Member of the Multi Academy Trust (MAT) Board

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Academy: I have been part of the Governing Body of Gosforth Academy since 2011 having served previously as Chair of Governors at Archibald First School since 1996.

Committee Responsibility: Member

Business / Educational Background: I am a retired Senior Police Officer and Magistrate. I hold a First Class Honours degree in Further Education and Training from University of Northumbria.

Personal interest in Gosforth: I became very interested in school Governance whilst studying for my degree. I had acquired transferable skills from my profession to governance. My vision for Gosforth MAT is centred around the very best teaching and learning for our students and for continuing professional development for both students and staff.

Local interest: I help to fund raise for local cancer charities and have a great interest in local community projects and matters of local interest.

Vision for the future: To retain the “Outstanding” accolade enjoyed by the founding MAT schools and to extend that vision to other member schools. To appoint the very best professional staff to ensure the teaching, learning, safety and welfare of every student in our care.

Geoffrey Norris – Member of the Multi Academy Trust (MAT) Board

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Academy: I have been part of the Governing Body at Gosforth Academy for 21 years.

Committee responsibility: Member (resigned as Trustee and GA LAG member as of 31 August 2021)

Business / Educational background: I am a retired Audit Commission relationship manager and inspector, a job I moved to from my post as Deputy CX at Newcastle City Council. I was educated at Manchester Grammar School, St John’s College Cambridge and University of Essex, my first degree was in economics.

Personal Interest in Gosforth: I was elected as a parent governor to Gosforth High School in 2000 and was appointed a community governor four years later. I have always been a member of the Finance Committee and more recently have been a member of the Pupil Discipline committee and Salaries and Performance Sub-committee.

Local Interest: I have lived in Gosforth since 1978, I am a member of the Newcastle Natural History Society. I have two daughters, both of whom were educated within the Gosforth Pyramid finishing at the High School in 2001 and 2003 respectively.

Vision for the future: My aspiration is that the academy will continue to improve as a top performing comprehensive school serving the local community, providing leadership within the Gosforth pyramid, the city and the sub-region.

Judy Storey – Member of the Multi Academy Trust (MAT) Board

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Academy: I have been part of the governing body at Gosforth Academy (and previously Gosforth West) for 23 years.

Committee responsibility: Member

Business background: Programme Management Office Manager, Department for Work and Pensions, Central Government.

Education: Benwell Comprehensive, Newcastle upon Tyne.

Personal Interest in Gosforth Academy: I was first “inducted” into the role of Governor when my son became a pupil in Year 5 in 1999 at Middle School. I have served in various roles, including Vice Chair of Governors, Company Member and on various sub-committees.

Local Interest: Participation in school life, providing support to school in whatever way possible.

Vision for the future: For our students, via successful engagement and first class teaching, to emerge confident, ready to take their place in society and to reach their full potential; making Gosforth High and Junior High Academies schools of first choice.

Kathryn E Thomas – Member of the Multi Academy Trust (MAT) Board

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth: I came to Gosforth High School in 1997 as Deputy Head and worked as a member of staff for almost 15 years, retiring from my post as Vice Principal of Gosforth Academy, in 2011. I became a Member of the Academy Board in 2013.

Committee responsibility: Member

Career / Educational background: I taught in secondary schools in Northumberland for 22 years before coming to Gosforth High School.

I gained an Honours degree in English Language and Literature at the University of Newcastle upon Tyne, followed by a Post Graduate Certificate in Education. I subsequently gained the NPQH qualification.

Personal Interest in Gosforth: I have been closely involved in recent developments in education in Gosforth, working latterly on the building of the new Gosforth Academy sports’ centre and the new Junior High. I therefore have an ongoing interest in developing educational opportunities in the area.

Local Interest: having worked in the North East of England for almost 40 years I am concerned that the North/South divide continues to be an issue and feel strongly that we must work very hard for our young people in order to overcome this.

Vision for the future: I believe passionately in a high quality environment for teaching and learning and in the importance of offering every single learner the best possible opportunities.

Sophie Ashcroft - Trustee

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Multi Academy Trust: I joined the MAT in October 2018.

Committee responsibility: Trustee, Finance and Audit Committee

Business / Educational background: Marketing and communications professional with over 21 years' experience in sports marketing. I have developed strategies for a wide range of businesses including national governing bodies of sport, private businesses, athletes and government agencies. I have held senior communications positions with British Athletics, UK Anti-Doping and Sunderland AFC.

Personal Interest in Gosforth Multi Academy Trust: I was lucky enough to be asked to speak at the North Gosforth Academy celebration evening, which was an absolute pleasure. I was then asked to join the Trustees - I am really impressed with the passion and commitment shown by all staff and pupils.

Local Interest: I previously lived in South Gosforth and now live in Whitley Bay. My husband is a teacher in the west end of Newcastle. I am actively involved in the North East business community.

Vision for the future: To support the MAT on the development of the brand, promoting the ethos of community and family within the schools – no matter which school your son or daughter goes to, they should always experience the same level of service and support.

Lesley Bowes – Trustee

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Group: I have been a trustee since December 2020.

Committee responsibility: Trustee, Finance and Audit Committee

Business / Educational background: Prior to retirement I was a teacher for 35 years. It was with immense pride that I finished my career as CEO of Mercia Learning Trust. A multi-phase highly successful academy trust based in Sheffield.

Education: University of Newcastle upon Tyne and Manchester University (postgraduate).

Personal Interest in Gosforth Group: I wish to use my expertise and experience to make a positive contribution to the lives of the children and young people who attend the schools of The Gosforth Group.

Local Interest: I live in Gosforth and enjoy fundraising for local charities and community action groups. I am also a trustee for Streetwise North East.

Vision for the future: To ensure The Gosforth Group maintains its reputation for excellence by achieving outstanding outcomes for all children and young people in all the schools. Health and well-being given as high a priority as academic outcomes.

Julie Crumbley - Trustee

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Federated Academies: I was appointed as a Trustee in 2021. I had been part of the Governing Body for Seaton Burn College (now North Gosforth Academy) for several years and am now delighted to be the Chair of the Advisory Group for North Gosforth Academy/Callerton Academy.

Committee responsibility: Trustee, Finance and Audit Committee

Business / Educational background: An educator by profession, I worked for over 30 years at Northumbria University in the Newcastle Business School as an academic and latterly in a senior management role in the Faculty of Business and Law as Associate Pro Vice-Chancellor (Knowledge Exchange). I retired in 2019. Prior to Northumbria University I gained commercial experience in the Insurance, Banking, Advertising and Manufacturing sectors. I have a BA (Hons) Business Studies from Newcastle Polytechnic (now Northumbria University); Cert. Ed from New College, Durham; MEd from Newcastle University; and Doctorate in Business Administration from Northumbria University.

Personal Interest in The Gosforth Group: I was initially appointed as a Community Governor to Seaton Burn College, serving on various sub-committees including Post-16 and Performance Management (Headteacher). After the academisation of the college I joined the Local Advisory Group, which I now Chair. I am particularly interested in raising student achievement and aspirations, and in post-16 education, both vocational and academic. I am looking forward to bringing my education management experience to the role of Trustee.

Local Interest: I have lived in Gosforth and am now resident in Great Park, areas which are served by schools in the Group.

Vision for the future: To see students from all the schools in the Group benefiting from an excellent learning and teaching experience in an environment where aspirations are raised, and every student has the opportunity to fulfil their potential.

Roger Edwardson – Trustee

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Federated Academies Ltd: I joined the Trust in 2018. During the period 1984 to 1991 I was the link adviser to Gosforth High School before returning to Newcastle LEA in 1996 as the Deputy Director for Education under the leadership of Sir David Bell.

Committee responsibility: Trustee, Finance and Audit Committee

Business / Educational background: Senior Education Consultant to a range of local authorities recently retired from Thurrock Council. Education: St Aidan's Grammar School, Sunderland, London University, (post graduate) Reading University PGCE.

Personal Interest in GFA Ltd: I have served on various local authority committees as Director and Deputy Director for Children's Services and since establishing an education and children's services consultancy in 2005, I have successfully undertaken a range of consultancies often in failing local authorities as a change management consultant.

Local Interest: Having recently retired from senior management in education I am interested in supporting the development of the Multi Academy Trust (MAT) as it expands using my experience of MAT development in a range of LA's in the last 12 years.

Vision for the future: To maximise the impact of the Trust in ensuring every child and young person is able achieve their potential. Using the expertise in the Trust, I will work to ensure every school in the federation is outstanding building on the success of Gosforth Academy.

John Hall - Trustee

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Academy: I was first elected as the Support Staff Governor at Gosforth High School in 1992 (we became an Academy in 2011).

Committee responsibility: Trustee, Finance and Audit Committee

Educational background: I attended St Bede's Secondary Modern School for boys and Newcastle College of Arts and Technology.

Personal Interest in Gosforth: I have lived in the Gosforth area, and have been part of the work force in Gosforth Schools since 1987; two of my three children were part of the sixth form at Gosforth High School in the 1990s. I have now retired from Gosforth Federated Academies Ltd.

Vision for the future: I believe that we as a Board of Trustees need to continue to support a fully comprehensive education for all the constituents of Gosforth and the surrounding areas. Through our Federation with our Junior Academy we can enhance the whole Gosforth Pyramid of schools and help them grow.

Jeffrey Peter Lough – Trustee

Length of Service / involvement in education in Newcastle: I worked in a range of schools within the Newcastle community over a 37-year career. This included working with learners with special needs in mainstream schools to those with significant needs, in specialist day and residential settings. Currently, I am involved in school governance in settings across Newcastle.

Committee responsibility: Trustee and Safeguarding link, Finance and Audit Committee

Business / Educational background: Educational background. Retired Head teacher, Newcastle upon Tyne. My role as Deputy HT of EOTAS, gave me an insight into the work of the Local Authority for those children and young people who needed support outside the normal range of educational settings.

Education. B.Ed/M.Ed/DipSEN/NPQH

Personal Interest in GFA Ltd: I am Gosforth resident and see myself as a supporter of my local community. Gosforth Academy and recently GFA Ltd are very much the focal point of the Gosforth community.

Local Interest: I developed successful relationships with local networks in Newcastle and beyond (Secondary HT Network; Schools Forum; Schools Safeguarding Partnership). I was active in developing close links with PRU settings (regionally and nationally) and have chaired and presented on good practice at national conferences. I was the north-east representative on the national Association of Elective Home Education Professionals.

Vision for the future: To see GFA become nationally recognised as an “outstanding” MAT through increasing opportunities and raising aspirations for all learners, offering the best teaching and inclusive learning environment, with higher academic results and encouraging a wide choice of career pathways for all our learners.

Lesley Malthouse – Trustee

Length of service or involvement with Gosforth Academy: I have been a school governor for over 20 years, I started as a parent governor at my children's primary school, and then at GWMS, now the Junior High Academy. As my children left school became a co-opted/Community Governor, then Academy Advisor.

Committee responsibility: Trustee, Finance and Audit Committee

Business/Educational background: I attended Walbottle High school, left after achieving A levels, I was a career Civil Servant, carrying out numerous different roles for different agencies, I most recently worked for HMRC and retired I retired in July 2020.

Personal interest in Gosforth Academy: I have served on various governance committees, and have a particular interest in pupil discipline, and health and welfare of pupils and staff.

Local interest: I am an active member of Sport@Gosforth, and take an interest in various academy activities, time permitting. I volunteer for English Heritage, and particularly enjoy participating in events and interacting with visitors.

Vision for the future: I would like to see the Gosforth Group continue to build on its current strengths, providing outstanding teaching and learning for students, a diverse and inspiring Key Stage 5 (sixth form) Prospectus, and exploring innovative ideas to motivate, encourage, and support education and personal development for all abilities.

Chris Nicholson - Trustee

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Group: I joined the Trustees in December 2020.

Committee responsibility: Trustee, Finance and Audit Committee

Business / Educational background: Spent a number of years with organisations working with central and Local Government delivering Organisational and Service Transformation. Undertook service transformation in most local Government service areas. Roles include Operations Director and Change and Programme Director for IT and Outsourcing Businesses.

Education: MBA Newcastle University, Chartered Institute of Marketing,

Personal Interest in Gosforth Group: I was a School Governor at Broadway East First School and what was then Gosforth High School.

Vision for the future: The Gosforth Group to be the benchmark as an “outstanding” trust in teaching and student achievement. Students to have the skills required for business and adult life when they leave education.

Jackie Slesenger – Trustee

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Academy: I have been involved with the Gosforth schools for many years. Originally a Board member of Gosforth West Middle School and a Board member of Gosforth High and now on the Board of the Academy.

Committee responsibility: Trustee, Finance and Audit Committee

Business / Educational background: I have a B.Sc in Social Studies, an M.A. In Criminology and a P.G.C.E.

I lectured in Sociology and Law at Tynemouth College and Northumberland College and was a visiting lecturer at University of Northumbria.

I served the North Tyneside Bench as a Magistrate for 20 years.

I was a Liberal Democrat Councillor on Newcastle City Council and represent West Gosforth Ward. I was first elected in 2003 and retired in June 2018.

Personal/local Interest in Gosforth: Living in the area and being involved in education I believe that I can make a valuable contribution to the progress of the school especially since I was Vice Chair of the Children and Young Persons Scrutiny Committee on the Council for several years. This gave me knowledge and experience of the management of schools and the education system. I have been particularly involved with Looked-After Children and was a member of the Advisory Committee on the Council.

Vision for the future: My vision for the future is to ensure that the Academy will continue to provide a top quality education and support to every pupil; that it will maintain its excellent standard as one of the best schools in the City.

George Snaith – Chair of Trustees

Length of involvement with Gosforth Academy: I have been part of Governance at Gosforth for 20 years, firstly as a parent Governor.

Committee responsibility: Chair of Trustees, Finance and Audit Committee

Business / educational background: Educated at Rutherford Grammar School, Newcastle College and Northumbria University. Retired after 37 years in local government, for the last 22 years working in the field of local economic regeneration and corporate policy.

Personal interest in Gosforth Academy: Both of my children attended Gosforth High School after being at Broadway East First and Gosforth East Middle schools. They both received a wonderful education and a positive start to adult life. As a result I am a firm supporter of our three tier system, our Gosforth pyramid of schools.

Local interest: I am currently chair of governors at Gosforth East Middle School and have been chair of the board of the Gosforth Schools' Trust.

Vision for the future: To see our educational offer continue to improve, for the academy to continue to serve Gosforth families, to be part of future educational provision for our area within our three tier system, to see the academy as a key part of the local community.

Naveen Athiraman – Gosforth Academy Local Advisory Group

Amy Bonello – Gosforth Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Academy: I joined Gosforth Academy as a trainee teacher in January 2017 and have since been employed at the Academy as a Teacher of Geography and a Post 16 Tutor.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor (Teaching Staff Representative & Careers/IAG Link)

Business / Educational background: I completed both my undergraduate degree and PGCE at Newcastle University.

Personal Interest in Gosforth Academy: I thoroughly enjoy working at Gosforth Academy and feel very privileged to work in a school which has such a fantastic and diverse student body. In addition, I value the supportive working environment at the school.

Local Interest: I am a keen runner and use my love of the sport to fundraise for a number of mental health charities, most recently the Samaritans.

Vision for the future: To continue to support the school's work in ensuring that all students receive the highest quality of education, pastoral support, extracurricular opportunities and guidance in a wide range of progression opportunities; so that all students look back on their time at Gosforth Academy with fond memories.

Chris Nicholson – Gosforth Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Academy: I joined the Advisory Group in June 2021.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor

Business / Educational background: Spent a number of years with organisations working with central and Local Government delivering Organisational and Service Transformation. Undertook service transformation in most local Government service areas. Roles include Operations Director and Change and Programme Director for IT and Outsourcing Businesses.

Education: MBA Newcastle University, Chartered Institute of Marketing,

Personal Interest in Gosforth Group: I was a School Governor at Broadway East First School and what was then Gosforth High School.

Vision for the future: The Gosforth Group to be the benchmark as an “outstanding” trust in teaching and student achievement. Students to have the skills required for business and adult life when they leave education.

Mark Harrison – Gosforth Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Academy: I have been a parent governor at the Gosforth Academy since 2018.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor (Parent Representative)

I regularly sit on pupil disciplinary panels to review and scrutinise permanent and fixed term pupil exclusions.

Business / Educational background: I am a Solicitor and Higher Advocate. I am a senior partner in a multi-office Law Firm and specialise in Criminal Defence work.

Personal Interest in Gosforth Academy: My two daughters are pupils at the Academy, currently studying for their GCSE and A-Level qualifications respectively.

Local Interest: I have lived in Gosforth for over 20 years and my wife works in a local first school in Gosforth. I have supported my children throughout their education in the Academy System in a number of extra-curricular activities throughout the Gosforth area.

Vision for the future: Gosforth Academy is, to my mind, an outstanding place of learning. The challenge is to build and maintain this excellence as demand and pupil numbers increase. The breadth of learning and diversity of pupil backgrounds within the Gosforth Academy system are two of its core strengths and ought to be promoted and developed further in my view.

Rachel Ramsay – Gosforth Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Academy: I am proud to have been an employee of Gosforth Academy for 11 years, both within the Student Support and Sixth Form departments. More recently, my son now attends the school.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor (Parent Representative)

Business / Educational background: Marketing Manager in various health and social care organisations. Education: Manchester Metropolitan (BA Hons Social Science:Politics) and Northumbria University (PGDip Marketing).

Personal Interest in Gosforth Academy: Following a career break in order to raise my children, I have been involved in a pastoral and academic support role at Gosforth Academy. Due to my positive impression of the school, in terms of education and pastoral support, I am pleased that my son is now a student here.

Local Interest: Various local community groups and fundraising for local charities.

Vision for the future: To maintain Gosforth Academy's status as an "outstanding" school. To continue with the excellent pastoral and academic support it provides to the students. To help promote communication, understanding and relationships between the school, its students and their respective families/carers. To further develop effective relationships with the local community. To encourage and develop effective careers and progression support.

Iqbal Syed – Gosforth Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Academy: I have been a part of the Governing body at Gosforth Academy since 2008. Prior to this, I had served on the Governing body of Westgate Hill Primary School for four years. I acted as chairperson of its Finance Committee and vice chair of the Governing body for two years.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor

Business/Education background: I did my Ph.D. in History of South Asia from the Australian National University Canberra in 1987. I am also a law graduate from the University of the Punjab, Pakistan. I adopted teaching as a profession and taught at different post graduate institutions and in the University of Punjab. I also worked in different capacities in the education department in Pakistan including as Programme Officer with a World Bank led project to reform examination system in Pakistan.

Personal Interest in Gosforth Academy: I, along with other colleagues, endeavour to ensure that Gosforth Academy remains committed to sustaining higher standards of learning and achievement at all Key Stages.

Local Interest: I actively participate in various community groups in the West end of the city, particularly BME groups which aim to promote cohesion and social inclusion. We emphasise upon children the importance of acquiring knowledge and provide them support to overcome any barriers.

Vision for the future: I would like to see Gosforth Academy an outstanding place of learning where every child gets fair and equal opportunities to progress, flourish and achieve to his/her full potential. Children should feel inspired and motivated to excel in every walk of life.

Graham Vickers – Gosforth Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Academy: I became an Academy Advisor for Gosforth Academy in 2021.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor (staff representative)

Business / Educational background: Previous careers in engineering manufacturing and policing. In 2018, following police retirement, I became a cover supervisor at Gosforth Academy

Personal Interest in Gosforth Academy: In addition to my staff role, my two daughters are students at Gosforth Academy. I also reside in the local community.

Local Interest: Previous involvement in raising substantive funding and overseeing the development of the new Gosforth Garden Village Hall. Supporting local music performances and Remembrance events in Gosforth Central Park.

Vision for the future: To realise the potential of all our students, and develop their character through continuous improvement, wellbeing and community integration.

Sean Blakey – Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy: I have taught at Gosforth Junior High Academy for 5 years and been a governor here since September 2018

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor (Teaching Staff Representative)

Business / Educational background: Completed a Sports Degree and trained as a Primary School teacher. I have worked in different roles in primary settings across the North East and am currently one of the Y6 teachers at Gosforth Junior High Academy.

Personal Interest in Gosforth Junior High Academy: Left my previous role to join Gosforth Academy on supply. While on supply I worked with the KS2 team at Gosforth Junior High Academy and earned a permanent contract. Since then, I have had temporary charge of KS2 English, ran KS2 girls football team and am the school representative in the PSFA

Vision for the future: To preserve Gosforth Academy current 'outstanding' status; help maintain the fantastic array of opportunities on offer to the children who attend and raise aspirations of all children in the surrounding areas.

Barbara Bonello – Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy: I was appointed as a Community Academy Advisor to the Gosforth Junior High/Great Park Academy on 9 July 2021.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor

Business / Educational background: I am employed as a Finance Technician for Schools' Choice, a company based in Suffolk which supports schools and academies across the UK. I attended Southampton University where I obtained a Law Degree.

Personal Interest in Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy: I have an interest in education having worked in the sector for much of my career. I now wish to extend my involvement in education on a voluntary basis focusing on a specific academy trust.

Local Interest: I have recently moved to Newcastle from Suffolk to be near to my daughter who has lived in Newcastle for 8 years and who now works as a teacher at Gosforth Academy.

Vision for the future: I wish to see all students at Gosforth Junior High /Great Park Academy continue to be supported so that they may achieve the best outcomes possible, both at school and in their future careers.

Lesley Bowes – Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy: I was appointed to the Local Advisory Group in May 2021.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor

Business / Educational background: Prior to retirement I was a teacher for 35 years. It was with immense pride that I finished my career as CEO of Mercia Learning Trust. A multi-phase highly successful academy trust based in Sheffield.

Education: University of Newcastle upon Tyne and Manchester University (postgraduate).

Personal Interest in Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy: I wish to use my expertise and experience to make a positive contribution to the lives of the children and young people who attend Gosforth Junior High and Great Park Academies.

Local Interest: I live in Gosforth and enjoy fundraising for local charities and community action groups. I am also a trustee for Streetwise North East.

Vision for the future: To ensure Gosforth Group maintains its reputation for excellence by achieving outstanding outcomes for all children and young people in all the schools. Health and well-being given as high a priority as academic outcomes.

Michelle Mason-Bowers – Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy Local Advisory Group

This will be my first time as an Academy Advisor in this context and I look forward to joining an already established group who have supported the schools in the trust through an incredibly challenging period. My vision is that school staff feel valued and supported so that they are able to provide the best learning environment for children to thrive and to be the best they can be.

I am confident that my background in Human Rights, Children's Safeguarding (Social Work Northumbria University) and in the voluntary Sector (Practitioner) will be useful to the Gosforth Group of schools.

Debbie McCordall – Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy: Joined in February 2020.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor

Business / Educational background: Business Owner of Accentuate Human Resources, Human Resources Consultant. Education: Northumbria University Post Graduate Diploma in Human Resource Management (MCIPD), De Montfort University, BA Hons in Business Studies.

Personal Interest in Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy: I have been a Trustee and Board of Director for Children North East for the last 6 years. As a mother of two, with a vested interest in the education of children, I now wish to follow my interest in supporting children within a school environment.

Local Interest: Supporting the local community and fundraising for local charities.

Vision for the future: Everyone has a unique purpose. To support a culture that not only maximises each child's potential, but to support the schools ambition of maintaining its outstanding status.

Gill Milne – Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy: Member of Gosforth Pyramid Governing Bodies since 1992 – Regent Farm First School, Gosforth West Middle/Junior High and then Gosforth Academy.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor

Business / Educational background: St Oswald's Primary, Gosforth and Sacred Heart, Fenham. B.A. Hons History Degree followed by a Post-Graduate Certificate in Education at Sheffield University. Teacher and careers adviser in Yorkshire, France, Northumberland and Newcastle until retirement in 2017.

Personal Interest in Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy: Worked at Gosforth West Middle/ Gosforth Junior High Academy for 17 years.

Local Interest: Lived in Gosforth from birth until going to University aged 18. Various community activities including Gosforth Central Park TGC social running group.

Vision for the future: For Gosforth Academy, the Junior High Academy and Great Park Academy to maintain their outstanding reputations as local comprehensive schools, offering a wide range of opportunities for pupils of all backgrounds and abilities.

Elizabeth O'Mahony – Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy: Member of GA/GJHA LGB since December 2018.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor

Business / Educational background: Sacred Heart Primary and La Sagesse Convent High. Bedford PE College – B.Ed in PE and Music. Teacher since 1984 including posts at Heaton Manor, Ponteland Middle, Lemington Middle and Gosforth West/GJHA.

Personal Interest in Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy: Worked at Gosforth West Middle/ Gosforth Junior High 2004 - 2017. Two of my children attended Gosforth Junior High/Gosforth Academy.

Local Interest: Have lived in Gosforth for over 40 years. Various community activities including church music leadership, local charity fundraising and Gosforth ThisGirlCan Running.

Vision for the future: For Gosforth Academy, Gosforth Junior High Academy and Great Park Academy to maintain their outstanding status, offering a broad, balanced education to all.

Katharine Pringle – Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy: Newly appointed from July 2021

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor

Business / Educational background: BSc Psychology, PG Cert Religious Education, Teaching at Secondary level for 13 years – in which I have held both pastoral and curriculum roles. Member of the Chartered College of Teaching.

Personal Interest in Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy: I am a resident of Great Park and I am excited to see how the schools develop and become an integral part of the community.

Local Interest: Having moved to Newcastle 13 years ago I have made it my home and try to support all aspects of local life.

Vision for the future: As the MAT is in an exciting period of growth it will be important to ensure the reputation continues to be founded on high standards of teaching and learning as well as excellent pastoral care. I will support the academies to always see students as individuals and provide opportunities to excel through a broad curriculum.

Michael Richardson – Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy: I have been part of the Gosforth Junior High Academy for just over 5 years.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor (Support Staff Representative)

Business / Educational background: I have worked in many of the local schools in Gosforth delivering PE and Sports Coaching for over 15 years before joining Gosforth Junior High Academy as a Senior Learning and Pastoral Supervisor.

Personal Interest in Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy: As a former student of Gosforth West Middle and Gosforth High School, now being a staff member in Gosforth Junior High Academy I have seen an unbelievable transformation of not only our school, but our MAT and it is fantastic to be a part of it all.

Local Interest: I am vice chairman of 'Team Gosforth FC' helping hundreds of young children play football in the local area.

Vision for the future: To continue to help Gosforth Junior High Academy remain an "outstanding" school, increasing opportunities inspiring our children to follow their dreams. For our children to be happy in our school and our community as we work together as one.

Zoë Shaw – Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement: I have been part of the Governing Body at Gosforth Academy and Gosforth Junior High Academy since January 2018.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor (Parent Representative)

Business / Educational background: Level 3 Supporting Teaching and Learning Assistant; PR & Communications Officer for national charity, public and private sector. Education: Southgate School, London, University of Sheffield.

Personal Interest: I am a parent to four children across Gosforth Academy and Gosforth Junior High Academy.

Local Interest: I have been, and continue to be, a volunteer in a range of local groups and at Archibald First School and Gosforth Junior High Academy.

Vision for the future: To ensure Gosforth Academy and Gosforth Junior High Academy remains an outstanding school which caters for the needs, development and aspirations of all its pupils.

Jackie Slesenger – Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Academy: I have been involved with the Gosforth schools for many years. Originally a Board member of Gosforth West Middle School and a Board member of Gosforth High and now on the Board of Trustees of the Gosforth Group.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor

Business / Educational background: I have a B.Sc in Social Studies, an M.A. In Criminology and a P.G.C.E.

I lectured in Sociology and Law at Tynemouth College and Northumberland College and was a visiting lecturer at University of Northumbria.

I served the North Tyneside Bench as a Magistrate for 20 years.

I was a Liberal Democrat Councillor on Newcastle City Council and represent West Gosforth Ward. I was first elected in 2003 and retired in June 2018.

Personal/local Interest in Gosforth: Living in the area and being involved in education I believe that I can make a valuable contribution to the progress of the school especially since I was Vice Chair of the Children and Young Persons Scrutiny Committee on the Council for several years. This gave me knowledge and experience of the management of schools and the education system. I have been particularly involved with Looked-After Children and was a member of the Advisory Committee on the Council.

Vision for the future: My vision for the future is to ensure that the Academy will continue to provide a top quality education and support to every pupil; that it will maintain its excellent standard as one of the best schools in the City.

Anna Steer – Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Junior High Academy: I was appointed to the Local Advisory Group in December 2019

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor – (Parent Representative)

Business / Educational background: I am a secondary science teacher specialising in Biology in a Multi Academy Trust school in Gateshead. I studied Zoology at Edinburgh University and completed my PGCE in Durham. I am also SEND link governor at Archibald First School with several years' experience.

Personal Interest in Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy: I have two children in attendance at the school and a strong belief in supporting local education. I am keen to find out more about the school and take an active role in its continued success.

Local Interest: Our family have lived in Gosforth for 11 years. We are keen to be an active part of our local community.

Vision for the future: To see Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy as thriving examples of outstanding Teaching and Learning as well as a welcoming, nurturing environment for all members of the school community.

Dave Vero – Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Junior High Academy: I supported Gosforth Junior Academy for 4 years as a parent and was the Treasurer of the PSFA. I was a parent governor at Gosforth Academy for 4 years and am now a Gosforth Junior High Academy Advisor.

Committee responsibility: Chair of Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy Local Advisory Group, SEND Link.

Business/Education background: I studied for my degree at Durham University before 20 years of self-employment in agriculture and forestry in north Northumberland. I was a teacher for 19 years and have recently retired from being a deputy head teacher in Northumberland having previously been head teacher of a small, rural first school. I still work part time in a variety of different organisations [supply teaching, care work] and I also volunteer at a foodbank and in Gosforth Central Park.

Personal Interest in Gosforth Junior High / Great Park Academy: I have had a personal interest since my youngest daughter entered the Junior High Academy. Having been actively involved in the PSFA I have enjoyed being able to support the Academy as much as possible during this time.

Local Interest: Having never lived in a city before I like being able to combine the cultural and social opportunities the city has to offer, whilst still being able to walk my dogs on the Town Moor! Retirement is giving me the opportunity to take a more active role in the local community, which I am really enjoying.

Vision for the future: I would like to see the Academy continue to develop and provide an outstanding and broad education for local children, whilst meeting the challenges posed by increasing numbers of pupils. The new educational facilities within the local area provide a challenge for the Academy which need to be delivered for the benefit of those who will use them in the future.

Sophie Ashcroft – Jesmond Park Academy Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Multi Academy Trust: I joined the MAT in October 2018.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor

Business / Educational background: Marketing and communications professional with over 20 years' experience in sports marketing. I have developed strategies for a wide range of businesses including national governing bodies of sport, private businesses, athletes and government agencies. I have held senior communications positions with British Athletics, UK Anti-Doping and Sunderland AFC.

Personal Interest in Gosforth Multi Academy Trust: I was lucky enough to be asked to speak at the North Gosforth Academy celebration evening, which was an absolute pleasure. I was then asked to join the Trustees - I am really impressed with the passion and commitment shown by all staff and pupils.

Local Interest: I previously lived in South Gosforth and now live in Whitley Bay. My husband is a teacher in the west end of Newcastle. I am actively involved in the North East business community.

Vision for the future: To support the MAT on the development of the brand, promoting the ethos of community and family within the schools – no matter which school your son or daughter goes to, they should always experience the same level of service and support.

Charlotte Brown - Jesmond Park Academy Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with Jesmond Park Academy: I have been a History teacher at Jesmond Park Academy for six years, I have taught across all Key Stages and am currently in charge of Key Stage Three history.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor (Teaching Staff Representative)

Business / Educational background:

Education:

History and Politics BA honours

Gender studies and History MRES

PGCE- History

Ambition Institute- Teaching Leaders course

Previous to working at Jesmond Park Academy I worked at another secondary school in the North East.

Personal Interest in Jesmond Park Academy: Teaching at Jesmond Park Academy has led me to be interested in all aspects of the school community, I am passionate about ensuring that Jesmond Park Academy can provide the best education for all.

Local Interest: Local women's and educational charities.

Vision for the future: To ensure that Jesmond Park Academy can provide the best education for all, so that all students regardless of background and circumstance can achieve their full potential. I am passionate about ensuring that all students can have the best life chances possible.

Sara Bryson – Jesmond Park Academy Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with Jesmond Park Academy: I was elected as a parent representative at the end of 2019, just as my son started his secondary school journey in Year 7.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor (Parent Representative)

Business / Educational background: I am a Senior Community Organiser with Citizens UK. Working with civil society institutions (education, faith and community) training and develop leaders to work together for social justice and the common good across Tyne & Wear.

Education: Blakelaw School; Tynemouth V1th Form College; London School of Economics (LSE)

Personal Interest in Jesmond Park Academy: I have been involved in school governance over the past 10 years, having previously been a governor at Cruddas Park Early Years Centre and Chillingham Road Primary School. When my son started Jesmond Park Academy in 2019 I was keen to get involved and play my part.

Local Interest: I am passionate about being involved within the local community. I am currently the chair of trustees at West End Women & Girls Centre as well as a trustee at Baltic Centre for Contemporary Art. I also served as a Commissioner on IPPRs Commission for Economic Justice.

Vision for the future: My experience has shown me the barriers that exist for disadvantaged pupils as well as the transformational impact a good education can have. Having attended 'the worst school in Britain', then achieving a First-Class Degree from the LSE. I want JPA to be transformational for ALL pupils irrespective of personal circumstances.

Roger Edwardson – Jesmond Park Academy Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with Gosforth Federated Academies Ltd: I joined the Trust in 2018. During the period 1984 to 1991 I was the link adviser to Gosforth High School before returning to Newcastle LEA in 1996 as the Deputy Director for Education under the leadership of Sir David Bell.

Committee responsibility: Chair of Jesmond Park Advisory Group

Business / Educational background: Senior Education Consultant to a range of local authorities recently retired from Thurrock Council. Education: St Aidan's Grammar School, Sunderland, London University, (post graduate) Reading University PGCE.

Personal Interest in GFA Ltd: I have served on various local authority committees as Director and Deputy Director for Children's Services and since establishing an education and children's services consultancy in 2005, I have successfully undertaken a range of consultancies often in failing local authorities as a change management consultant.

Local Interest: Having recently retired from senior management in education I am interested in supporting the development of the Multi Academy Trust (MAT) as it expands using my experience of MAT development in a range of LA's in the last 12 years.

Vision for the future: To maximise the impact of the Trust in ensuring every child and young person is able achieve their potential. Using the expertise in the Trust, I will work to ensure every school in the federation is outstanding building on the success of Gosforth Academy.

Stacy Gillis – Jesmond Park Academy Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with Jesmond Park Academy: I was elected to this position in Autumn 2019.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor

Business / Educational background: I am Senior Lecturer in English Literature, Newcastle University, and Chair of NU Women.

Personal Interest in North Gosforth Academy: One child is in Year Eight at Jesmond Park Academy (Autumn 2020); another child will be starting there in Autumn 2022.

Local Interest: Working with local arts and creative industry groups.

Vision for the future: (1) For Jesmond Park Academy to be “outstanding”, both in terms of Government regulation, and in terms of each student having the opportunity to reach their potential; (2) to reduce the impact - on both students and staff - of the neo-liberal corporatizing and surveillance model of education.

Derek Neil – Jesmond Park Academy Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with Jesmond Park Academy: I joined the advisory group in January 2020.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor

Educational background: Teacher of modern languages; local authority adviser; HMI; education consultant.

Personal Interest in Jesmond Park Academy: My three children attended Gosforth High School, now Gosforth Academy. I have friends who attended and/or taught at Heaton Manor.

Local Interests: Magistrate; Newcastle United season ticket holder

Vision for the future: To see Jesmond Park Academy as a good or outstanding school.

Julie Routledge – Jesmond Park Local Advisory Group Staff Member

Length of Service or involvement with Jesmond Park Academy: I have been employed at Heaton Manor/Jesmond Park Academy since 1999. My current role is that of the Senior Sixth Form Tutor.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor (Support Staff Representative)

Business / Educational background: BA (Hons) Post Compulsory Education. Post Graduate Certificate in HE. Teacher of Travel and Tourism and Business Studies. Management role in Business Travel

Personal Interest in Jesmond Park Academy: I have been employed at the school for over 20 years.

Vision for the future: For Jesmond Park Academy to become an ‘outstanding school’. For the attainment and life chances of all our students to be enhanced.

Michael Baxter – North Gosforth / Callerton Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with North Gosforth / Callerton Academy: I joined original NGA Advisory Group in May 2019.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor, Careers/IAG Link

Business / Educational background: Director of Music & Associate Leader, Gosforth Academy. Education: Astley High School, Northumberland, University of Liverpool, Durham University (postgraduate).

Personal Interest in North Gosforth / Callerton Academy: As an Associate Leader at Gosforth Academy one of my past responsibilities was leading the marketing group, involved in the strategic planning to support NGA/CA in joining the Gosforth Academy family of schools; my current responsibility of planning staff CPD includes developing a collaborative approach between the different Gosforth Academy schools, so I have an interest in aiming for a wider and effective sharing of expertise between staff across schools.

Local Interest: I live in North Tyneside and my children attend North Tyneside schools and I used to teach in a partner school.

Vision for the future: To see NGA/CA staff benefit from closer liaison with Gosforth Academy, sharing and developing their teaching expertise in order to raise the aspirations and opportunities of NGA/CA students.

Cherri Blissett – North Gosforth / Callerton Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with North Gosforth/Callerton Academy: I joined the North Gosforth/Callerton Local Advisory Group in May 2021

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor

Business / Educational background: Director of a research and evaluation consultancy, with offices in Newcastle, Edinburgh and London. Previously executive director positions with leading charities in the North East of England, leading on business development, fundraising, operations, quality and performance, and research and evaluation.

Education: MSc in Countryside Management and BSc in Environmental Management.

Personal Interest in North Gosforth/Callerton Academy: I'm excited to be involved in Callerton Academy from close to the beginning of the journey, and my eldest daughter will join the transition school as part of the first cohort, in September 2021.

Local Interest: I'm interested in youth employment, and employability generally, and have designed, delivered and evaluated youth employment programmes nationally. I participate in and fundraise for local charities, particularly in health and homelessness. I've had an allotment in Newcastle for the past 15 years and I'm a keen gardener and environmentalist.

Vision for the future: To see Callerton Academy's new building opened and embedded within the local community, following a successful period in the transition school.

David Bowes – North Gosforth / Callerton Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with North Gosforth Academy: I joined the Local Advisory Group in June 2021.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor

Business / Educational background: I began my career in 1972 as a science teacher eventually becoming CEO of Tapton School Academy Trust. An eight school Sheffield based multi academy trust. I retired five years ago.

Education: Tadcaster Grammar School, Oxford University, Manchester University (postgraduate).

Personal Interest in North Gosforth / Callerton Academy: Having chosen to retire and live in Gosforth I felt a strong desire to become involved in the education of young people in my area.

Local Interest: I have been a National Health Volunteer Responder since the start of the Covid 19 pandemic – offering support to a wide variety of people.

Vision for the future: I understand education can offer young people a route to productive, successful and happy lives. Our schools all have the potential to become outstanding. I believe it is a real privilege to be part of the team which drives the standards which ensure that vision becomes a reality.

Julie Crumbley – North Gosforth / Callerton Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with North Gosforth / Callerton Academy: I have been part of the Governing Body for Seaton Burn College (now North Gosforth Academy) for several years and am now Chair of the Advisory Group for North Gosforth Academy and Callerton Academy. In 2021 I was appointed as Trustee of the Gosforth Group.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor

Business / Educational background: An educator by profession, I worked for over 30 years at Northumbria University in the Newcastle Business School as an Academic, and latterly I held a senior management role in the Faculty of Business and Law as Associate Pro Vice-Chancellor (Knowledge Exchange). I retired from the University in 2019. Prior to Northumbria University I gained commercial experience in the Insurance, Banking, Advertising and Manufacturing sectors. I have a BA (Hons) Business Studies from Newcastle Polytechnic (now Northumbria University); Cert. Ed from New College, Durham; MEd from Newcastle University; and Doctor of Business Administration (DBA) from Northumbria University.

Personal Interest in North Gosforth / Callerton Academy: I was appointed as a Community Governor to Seaton Burn College. I served on various sub committees including Post-16 and Performance Management (Headteacher). I am particularly interested in raising student achievement and aspirations, and in post-16 education, both vocational and academic.

Local Interest: I have lived in the Gosforth/Great Park area for over 30 years.

Vision for the future: To see students at North Gosforth/Great Park Academies benefiting from an excellent learning and teaching experience in an environment where aspirations are raised, and every student has the opportunity to fulfil their potential.

Finlay Davidson – Local Advisory Group Member

Length of Service or involvement with North Gosforth / Callerton Academy: I have been at North Gosforth Academy for just over 3 years.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor (Teaching Staff Representative)

Business / Educational background: Teacher of Modern Languages, studied Modern Languages and Linguistics at Newcastle University and PGCE at Edge Hill University.

Personal Interest in North Gosforth / Callerton Academy: Having worked at Gosforth Academy for 1 year before arriving at North Gosforth, I leapt at the opportunity to move to a smaller community school with a smaller staff and student population.

Local Interest: Participating in local sport, quizzes and fundraising events for local communities.

Vision for the future: To see North Gosforth Academy improve as a school whilst retaining its particular sense of community. Also, to see Mandarin Chinese grow to become a normal part of the secondary curriculum for the students.

Joy Doble – North Gosforth / Callerton Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of service or involvement with North Gosforth / Callerton Academy: I have been the Assistant Curriculum Leader for the English Department for four and a half years.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor

Business / educational background: I have been the Assistant Curriculum Leader of English at North Gosforth Academy since September 2015 when I joined the school. I also teach French at Key Stage 3, and Creative and Media to Year 9. I am the school's NASUWT union representative; a post that I have held for the last two and a half years.

Prior to joining the Academy, I spent 8 years as an English teacher at Mortimer Community College in South Shields.

Education: University of Newcastle upon Tyne, BA HONS in English Literature; Sunderland University, PGCE in Secondary Education (English).

Personal interest in North Gosforth / Callerton Academy: I am immensely proud to be a member of staff at North Gosforth Academy and wish to have an active role in the development and improvement of the Academy for the benefit of our staff and students.

Local interest: As a teacher in the school, I am fully invested in the education of our students beyond the academic, providing them with the support, opportunities and challenges that will enable them to succeed in all areas of their lives beyond the school walls.

Vision for the future: As the school enters a brand new chapter as part of Gosforth Group, I believe we have a unique opportunity to promote change and development for the school, its students and staff, and for its place in the community and the Multi Academy Trust. I want to see our students develop into confident, happy and well-rounded individuals who have amazing futures ahead of them. I want to see our staff blossom as professionals and to be an integral part of the school's future and within the larger Federation. I want to see our school receive the respect and recognition it deserves because of the outstanding work and effort put in by our staff and students on a daily basis.

Christine Edwardson – North Gosforth / Callerton Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with North Gosforth Academy: I was employed by Gosforth Academy (formerly Gosforth High School) for over 20 years and attended Governing Body/Trustees meetings in an advisory capacity.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor

Business / Educational background: I worked within the education sector for over 30 years until I retired. My last post was as Director of Finance & Support Services for Gosforth Academy responsible for all financial matters, buildings, contracts and support services.

Personal Interest in North Gosforth / Callerton Academy: Having worked within the sector I am keen to continue to support the school, staff and students in whatever way possible.

Local Interest: I have lived and worked in the North East all of my life and I am therefore passionate about the area and the need to provide first class educational opportunities for all young people.

Vision for the future: For all schools within the Gosforth Group to provide an outstanding education and be part of the wider community to support our students and give them the best possible start in life.

Andrew Foster – North Gosforth / Callerton Academy Local Advisory Group

Susan Pike – North Gosforth / Callerton Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of Service or involvement with North Gosforth / Callerton Academy: I have been employed at NGA as a Learning Resource Assistant in the Library for 3 Years.

Committee Responsibility: Academy Advisor (Support Staff Representative)

Business/Education Background: I have been employed in various private sector industries including solicitors and architects and ASL Manufacturing in a Sales and Marketing Role. Most recently I was employed by the Post Office, before joining NGA. I was educated at Gosforth High School and attended Newcastle College of Arts and Technology.

Personal Interest in North Gosforth / Callerton Academy: I am employed by NGA as Learning Resource Assistant

Local Interest: I was Chair of the PTFA at Broadway East First School for 4 years, and I continued to be involved in the PTFA at Gosforth East Middle School. I was a parent helper at both schools. I am also a moderator for the social media group Gosforth Traffic.

Vision for the Future: To be a part of the journey to make NGA/CA an outstanding school and an asset to the local community. Offering a wide and varied curriculum, focusing on improving life chances and academic abilities for all students no matter what advantages or disadvantages they may have.

George Snaith – North Gosforth / Callerton Academy Local Advisory Group

Length of involvement with North Gosforth: I have been part of Governance at Gosforth High School/Academy/Group for 18 years, firstly as a parent Governor.

Committee responsibility: Academy Advisor and Safeguarding Link

Business / educational background: Educated at Rutherford Grammar School, Newcastle College and Northumbria University. Retired after 37 years in local government, for the last 22 years working in the field of local economic regeneration and corporate policy.

Personal interest in North Gosforth / Callerton Academy: Both of my children attended Gosforth High School after being at Broadway East First and Gosforth East Middle schools. They both received a wonderful education and a positive start to adult life. As a result I am a firm supporter of our three tier system, our Gosforth pyramid of schools.

Local interest: I am currently chair of governors at Gosforth East Middle School and for the past year I have been chair of the board of the Gosforth Schools' Trust.

Vision for the future: To see our educational offer continue to improve, for the academy to continue to serve Gosforth families, to be part of future educational provision for our area within our three tier system, to see the academy as a key part of the local community.