# HAYNES LOWER SCHOOL AND NURSERY

## Governing Board Members

**Academic Year 2026 / 2027**

*Current membership and governance information*

## Our Governing Board

Haynes Lower School's Governing Board works alongside the Head Teacher and school leadership team to provide strategic oversight of the school. This page provides the current membership of the Governing Board, together with governor categories, committee responsibilities, appointment information and declared business or pecuniary interests where these are recorded.

**Information current at September 2026.** Governor membership and roles may change during the academic year.

## Current Governing Board

| Governor | Category / Role | Committee Membership | Appointed | Term Ends | Declared Interests |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mandy Connely | Chair of Governors (Co-opted)<br>Safeguarding Governor | Finance & Resources | November 2018 | October 2028 | Nil |
| Sarah Hearn | Head Teacher (Ex officio) | Finance & Resources; Curriculum & Standards | September 2018 | — | Haynes Lower School Head Teacher |
| Sebastian Russo | Assistant Head Teacher (Staff) | Curriculum & Standards | September 2023 | — | Teacher at Haynes Lower School |
| Paul Forster | Co-opted | Curriculum & Standards | October 2020 | October 2028 | Teacher at Stratton School |
| Emily Austwick | Vice Chair of Governors | Finance & Resources; Curriculum & Standards | October 2020 | October 2028 | Not stated on published governor page |
| Sarah Gatward | Co-opted | Curriculum & Standards | October 2020 | October 2028 | Teacher at Fairfield Park Lower School |
| Emma Pickard | Parent | Finance & Resources | June 2025 | June 2029 | Nil |
| Kieron Stock | Parent | Finance & Resources | June 2025 | June 2029 | Nil |
| Mike Morling | Co-opted<br>Health and Safety Governor | Finance & Resources | June 2025 | June 2029 | Not stated on published governor page |
| Rachel Ducker-Birch | Parent | Curriculum & Standards | June 2025 | June 2029 | Assistant Head Teacher / Staff Governor at Camestone School |

## Current Vacancy

**Local Authority Governor —** There is currently one Local Authority Governor vacancy.

## Committee Membership

| Committee | Members listed on the published governor information |
|---|---|
| Finance & Resources | Mandy Connely; Sarah Hearn; Emily Austwick; Emma Pickard; Kieron Stock; Mike Morling |
| Curriculum & Standards | Sarah Hearn; Sebastian Russo; Paul Forster; Emily Austwick; Sarah Gatward; Rachel Ducker-Birch |

## Governor Interests

The published governor information includes declarations of business or pecuniary interests where recorded. The details above reproduce the information shown on the school's published Governing Board Members page; personal contact details are not included.

## Governance Information

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## Safeguarding Information

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*For further information about the Governing Board, please contact the school office.*