Whitworth Park Academy

Register of interests

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Current governing board

		Interests				
Name and appointment	**Confirmed**	**Organisation**	**Type of interest**	**Notes**	**From**	**To**
Name: Joy Allen **Appointment:** Sponsor governor **Term of office start:** 17/01/2024 **Term of office end:** 16/01/2028 **Appointed by:** -	*Confirmed: 09/02/2025*	Durham and Crime Commissioner	Business or finance interests	Police	17/01/2024	-
Name: Anna Bowden **Appointment:** Sponsor governor **Term of office start:** 05/09/2023 **Term of office end:** 04/09/2027 **Appointed by:** Appointed by Academy Council	*Confirmed: 09/09/2026*	Whitworth Park Academy Could	Other governance role	Part of ALP Trust	05/09/2023	-
Name: Anna Bowden **Appointment:** Sponsor governor **Term of office start:** 05/09/2023 **Term of office end:** 04/09/2027 **Appointed by:** Appointed by Academy Council	*Confirmed: 09/09/2026*	Stanley Burnside Primary	Other governance role	-	21/05/2021	-
Name: Anna Bowden **Appointment:** Sponsor governor **Term of office start:** 05/09/2023 **Term of office end:** 04/09/2027 **Appointed by:** Appointed by Academy Council	*Confirmed: 09/09/2026*	Springmoor Grange School	Headteacher	-	01/09/2024	-
Name: Anna Bowden **Appointment:** Sponsor governor **Term of office start:** 05/09/2023 **Term of office end:** 04/09/2027 **Appointed by:** Appointed by Academy Council	*Confirmed: 09/09/2026*	Ox Close Primary School	Head of School	-	01/09/2015	31/08/2022
Name: Anna Bowden **Appointment:** Sponsor governor **Term of office start:** 05/09/2023 **Term of office end:** 04/09/2027 **Appointed by:** Appointed by Academy Council	*Confirmed: 09/09/2026*	Ox Close Federation	Deputy Executive Headteacher	-	01/09/2022	26/02/2024

Name: Anna Bowden **Appointment:** Sponsor governor **Term of office start:** 05/09/2023 **Term of office end:** 04/09/2027 **Appointed by:** Appointed by Academy Council	*Confirmed: 09/09/2026*	Ox Close Federation	Other governance role	Staff Governor	02/11/2018	31/08/2024
Name: Anna Bowden **Appointment:** Sponsor governor **Term of office start:** 05/09/2023 **Term of office end:** 04/09/2027 **Appointed by:** Appointed by Academy Council	*Confirmed: 09/09/2026*	Ox Close Federation	Acting Executive Headteacher	-	27/02/2024	31/08/2024
Name: Anne-Marie Chiswell **Appointment:** Sponsor governor **Term of office start:** 24/03/2025 **Term of office end:** 23/03/2029 **Appointed by:** Academy Council	*Confirmed: 07/10/2025*	Outwood Riverside	Other governance role	Governor post until the end of the academic year	01/02/2024	31/07/2026
Name: Nina Cooper **Appointment:** Staff governor **Term of office start:** 30/09/2025 **Term of office end:** 29/09/2029 **Appointed by:** Trust Board	*Not Confirmed*	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Graham Darby **Appointment:** Sponsor governor **Term of office start:** 05/01/2026 **Term of office end:** 04/01/2030 **Appointed by:** Academy Council	*Nothing to Declare: 05/10/2026*	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Stuart Dixon **Appointment:** Headteacher **Term of office start:** - **Term of office end:** - **Appointed by:** Trust Board	*Confirmed: 14/09/2026*	Advance Learning Partnership	Business or finance interests	ALP employee	16/11/2023	-
Name: Stuart Dixon **Appointment:** Headteacher **Term of office start:** - **Term of office end:** - **Appointed by:** Trust Board	*Confirmed: 14/09/2026*	ALP	Personal or close family relationship	My wife is a senior leader at another ALP school	-	-
Name: Kendra Emery **Appointment:** Parent governor **Term of office start:** 06/05/2026 **Term of office end:** 05/05/2030 **Appointed by:** Trust Board	*Nothing to Declare: 07/09/2026*	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Sarah Heightley **Appointment:** Sponsor governor **Term of office start:** 13/03/2024 **Term of office end:** 12/03/2028 **Appointed by:** Academy Council	*Confirmed: 21/09/2026*	Durham Primary School meals contract management board with Chartwells.	Other governance role	-	08/07/2026	-

Name: Sarah Heightley **Appointment:** Sponsor governor **Term of office start:** 13/03/2024 **Term of office end:** 12/03/2028 **Appointed by:** Academy Council	*Confirmed: 21/09/2026*	Whitworth Park Academy, Spennymoor	Other governance role	-	05/03/2024	-
Name: Sarah Heightley **Appointment:** Sponsor governor **Term of office start:** 13/03/2024 **Term of office end:** 12/03/2028 **Appointed by:** Academy Council	*Confirmed: 21/09/2026*	King Street Primary School, Spennymoor	Other governance role	-	07/05/2014	-
Name: Melanie Stubbs **Appointment:** Sponsor governor **Term of office start:** 28/04/2026 **Term of office end:** 27/04/2030 **Appointed by:** Academy Council	*Confirmed: 02/09/2026*	Lingfield Trust	Other governance role	Governor at Vane Road and Woodham Burn Primary Schools	03/09/2007	-

Historical positions

		Interests				
Name	**Confirmed**	**Organisation**	**Type of interest**	**Notes**	**From**	**To**
Name: Zac Fletcher **Appointment:** Staff governor **Term of office start:** 26/01/2026 **Term of office end:** 31/08/2026 **Appointed by:** Trust Board **Effective removal date:** 31/08/2026	*Nothing to Declare: 26/01/2026*	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Paula Rosenberg **Appointment:** Parent governor **Term of office start:** 17/01/2024 **Term of office end:** 16/01/2028 **Appointed by:** Trust Board **Effective removal date:** 01/06/2026	*Nothing to Declare: 21/09/2025*	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Jeff Spence **Appointment:** Staff governor **Term of office start:** 28/09/2022 **Term of office end:** 27/09/2026 **Appointed by:** Trust Board **Effective removal date:** 13/10/2025	*Confirmed: 09/10/2025*	Advance Learning Partnership	Business or finance interests		28/09/2022	-
Name: Anthony Richardson **Appointment:** Parent governor **Term of office start:** 29/09/2022 **Term of office end:** 28/09/2026 **Appointed by:** - **Effective removal date:** 31/03/2025	*Nothing to Declare: 07/10/2024*	-	-	-	-	-