



Meet our Members and Trustees



Awarded an MBE for her services to Education (Governance), Marilyn is a vastly experienced Chair and has served for many years as a National Leader of Governance. Marilyn's professional background includes manufacturing strategic leadership and company secretary roles.

Marilyn Hubbard MBE
Member & Chair of the Board



Kevin is an experienced businessman, who has worked in senior roles in the private, public and third sectors. Kevin is a qualified management accountant with many years' experience in senior general management roles. Kevin led a National Union as Director General, leading it through a period of great change and held national Trustee positions.

Kevin Roberts
Vice Chair of the Board



Sarah is the founding CEO of IFTL whose career in education and system leadership continues to be driven by her strong belief that opportunities in education are life-changing for all children. From a mining community in South Wales, Sarah has seen the transformative effect of inspiring teaching and demonstrates commitment to such through roles as a National Pupil Premium Champion, development lead of NLEs nationally, member of the DfE Regional Director's Advisory Board and a Director of Queen Street Group, a collective of MATs growing ethical Trusts that serve communities, especially the disadvantaged and vulnerable.

Sarah Bennett
CEO



Mark is Group Education Director at a leading sustainable energy business. Recognised as one of the UK's leading school building specialists, Mark has spoken and written about the subject internationally. He has advised the DfE and held board member and trustee positions with several influential bodies, helping to shape national policy and inform best practice. Mark is passionate about the role schools can play in building thriving communities and making a contribution to the successful and sustainable growth of the city.

Mark Dolling
Trustee



Steve's professional skills are applied to Financial Market Trader Surveillance for Legal and Compliance teams of the Globally Systemically Important Banks, to ensure they meet Regulatory Requirements for Conduct and detection of Malpractice. Steve has been a Youth Rugby coach for 16 years and advocates team sports and inclusion for all children.

Steve Fulton
Trustee



A qualified Talented Leader with 20+ years of experience in educational leadership, including Executive Leadership and School Improvement Partnership roles, teaching and industry, engaging in challenging and innovative educational opportunities that truly benefit young people, their families and their communities.

Mark Midgley
Trustee



Katie is Governance and Admissions Adviser at the Oxford Diocesan Board of Education. Dual-qualified as a Solicitor and Chartered Company Secretary, Katie has significant experience in providing specialist governance support to academies and multi-academy trusts. She is the author of a number of books on academy governance and regularly writes and speaks about governance issues.

Katie Paxton
Trustee



A solicitor specialising in child protection matters, Dawn has been practising for 23 years and during this time has worked with vulnerable children and families at the most difficult times of their lives. Dawn assists when the LA becomes involved with families – to provide support and to seek a child's removal from their parents' care. She understands how difficult it can be for children in a world which is changing rapidly and the stress that can be placed on them both in and out of school.

Dawn Rogers
Trustee



Ben is a Founder & Director of Trilby Multimedia – an education software and training company working to improve learning outcomes through innovative uses of technology. Ben's experience of working in schools comes from delivering staff training in well over 600 venues, which has given him a good insight into the workings of most institutions. Having experience with all levels of education, from pupils through to leadership teams, Ben is adept at explaining and delivering his knowledge to various audiences, both technical and otherwise.

Ben Stanley
Trustee



Greg has worked in the Construction Industry for 31 years; primarily in work winning and negotiation of contracts. Greg has been a Governor since 2011 and is a firm advocate that successful schools and academies are achieved through focussed investment in quality education, underpinned by prudent governance and financial management.

Greg Swebston
Member & Trustee

Marc has worked in the Insurance Industry since leaving school, initially working for a national broker, placing risks for customers in the London, national and international insurance markets. Latterly, Marc has been providing management and direction to the sales and customer management teams as the Area Sales Director for Towergate Insurance Brokers in the London North Area. Raising his family in Milton Keynes, Marc is a firm believer in professional and skilful conduct throughout life.

Marc Taylor
Member

Tony is the Director of Education at the Diocese of Oxford. With experience as a teacher, assistant head, headteacher, Tony's education knowledge and skills are deeply embedded. Tony has led strong school improvement in a variety of schools, particularly those in special measures committing to his belief that every child deserves the very best education during their whole lives.

Tony Wilson
Member

Maria is a former Director of Milton Keynes University Hospital NHS Foundation Trust, is a company secretary and programme manager with over 25 years' experience of working in local government and the NHS. Since 2014, Maria has worked as an independent management consultant and is currently engaged by MK Clinical Commissioning Group. She is Chair of Arts for Health MK, is a member of the Advisory Board for the University Campus MK and has a track record of working successfully in partnership with a wide range of people and organisations to improve and develop services for children, young people and their families.

Maria Wogan
Member