



## Elemore Hall School

### The Governors

Elemore is fortunate to have a group of very loyal and skilled governors. They all give up their time to ensure that the school provides the best possible experience.

The governors are:-

#### **Michael Walsh – Chair of Governors**

Joined the governors in 1999. Originally a parent governor who has an understanding of the challenges faced by pupils and their parents at Elemore.

#### **Derek Sayer – Vice Chair of Governors and Chair of the Finance committee**

Joined the governors in January 2016. Before retirement, he worked in Education at Durham County Council for 38 years. Currently Chair of governors at Cheveley Park primary school.

#### **Angela Darnell – Chair of Curriculum committee**

Joined the governors in 2017. Retired secondary head teacher in Stockton on Tees and currently Chair of governors at Framwellgate School Durham.

#### **Jo Whitehead – Link Safeguarding governor**

Joined the governors in 2007. Works in a Special School for students 11-19 with complex learning difficulties, including behaviour and Autism.

**Colin Hilary** - Joined the governors in 2008, was formally Chair of the Elemore Governing body. He has re-joined the governors this year, bringing a wealth of experience as a JP and Trustee at FSD.

#### **Mick John – parent governor**

Joined the governors in 2018.

**David Lord – staff governor** since 2014. He began his career as an LSA and then completed his teacher training at Elemore. He is now in his first year as an Assistant Headteacher.

**Peter Tymms** - Joined the governors in 2018.

A professor at Durham University, previously Head of Department in the School of Education and a well-known expert on monitoring pupil progress.

**Ben Phillips** - Joined the governors in 2018.

Director of the region's largest theatre with thirty years of management experience and leadership. A keen interest in culture in education and making theatre accessible to all.

**Liz Brown** – a local councillor

Joined the governors in 2018.

# Governor Up-date

Autumn term 2018

## How the Governing Body works

### The Full Governing Body

Chair - Michael Walsh

Vice Chair – Derek Sayer

This meets every term, supported by the L.A. School & Governor Support team. The work of the FGB is focused on monitoring the overall effectiveness of the school and the impact of the school development plan.

### Governor Committees

#### **Finance, Personnel and School Environment**

Chair – Derek Sayer

#### **Curriculum, Standards and Every Child Matters**

Chair – Angela Darnell

These committees meet 3 or 4 times per year to work on key areas of focus linked to sections of the Ofsted framework. The notes from these sub-committees are discussed at full governing body meetings. The committees are chaired by experienced governors and are supported by a member of the senior leadership team. Each sub-committee consists of **Link Governors** who work in greater detail on specific areas for development, for example:-

- Safeguarding & Attendance
- Outcomes for pupils and Pupil Premium
- SEND and Vulnerable students
- Curriculum and teaching & learning
- Health & safety

### Governor Visits

Link governors will carry out visits to the school to discharge their responsibilities (above) and gather the information necessary to report back to a committee.

All governor visits will:

- Be carried out in accordance with the governor visit protocol.
- Result in a report to be presented to the committee or FGB.



**Pupils raised £350 from their coffee morning earlier in the term, sale of cakes and two sponsored silences. Well done to all !!**