

Sally Harvey (Chair) has over thirty years' experience in schools, more than 20 as a school leader. Headteacher of an Outstanding primary school for 16 years, she also worked as a Local Leader of Education supporting local schools and for Hampshire Local Authority as Interim Head in several schools in challenging circumstances. An accredited member of the Association of Education Advisors, she has extensive experience of supporting school leadership and leading school improvement. As associate lecturer for the University of Winchester she facilitated NPQ programmes, helping to develop the next generation of school leaders, she has also worked with Hampshire LA and the University of Winchester on ITT programmes and developing NQT's. Experienced in school Governance, Sally sat on the board of a Hampshire secondary school helping to move it from RI to Good, has worked with struggling Boards and currently Chairs the Board of her local church primary school. Whilst headteacher she also chaired the Local Children's Partnership in Basingstoke and sat on the Board of Basingstoke Consortium working to link business and education in primary, secondary and tertiary settings.

Steph Cartmel has over thirty years' experience in education across England and Wales, working as a Teacher, Headteacher and School Improvement Partner for primary, secondary and specialist settings. She has collaborated with both local and national governments to deliver regional and national improvement initiatives, including CPD programmes and development pathways for teaching assistants. Now based in Somerset, Steph works across England and internationally as an independent Education Consultant, providing executive coaching, training and school improvement services for businesses, schools, and trusts. She has coached and facilitated on NPQ programmes since 2020, including NPQEL, NPQH, and NPQSENCO, and is also a certified School Inspector.

Katie Dominy is a Chartered Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Professional Development (CIPD) having worked for over 18 years in Human Resources. Operating at a strategic level as Director of People, Development & Governance, she built a career as an HR generalist working in public, private and charity sectors. Katie has a Post-Graduate Diploma in HR Management and Level 7 Advanced Award in Employment Law. Katie's roles have required her to create, shape and deliver people strategies focused on aspects such as policies, change management, diversity and inclusion, recruitment and retention, training and development, pay and reward and staff engagement. Since 2022 Katie has developed a focus on volunteering strategies, risk management and corporate governance.

Revd. Sam Healey is the Associate Minister for St Paul's, Weston super Mare, which is the largest local Anglican church in the Diocese of Bath & Wells. At St Paul's, Sam sits on the main board of trustees and is responsible for a significant part of the church's budget and operations. In this role he has been involved in developing risk management and safeguarding systems, as well as the church's five year strategic plan to 2030. Sam has over 20 years experience of working in the financial service and charitable sectors. He has a wealth of experience in relations to charity communications, this has included developing media training and coaching for senior executives, speech writing and putting together crisis

PR plans. For several years Sam was the Church Funding Specialist for a UK charity supporting churches and charitable organisations to develop and implement strategic funding reviews. Sam has been involved with education for over 15 years firstly as a school governor, and also with another Academy trust.

Chris McFall is Head of Education Business Strategy at Apple leading on developing Apple's education strategy across the UK & Ireland, working with Governments, Executive Leadership organisations and Education Leadership as well as internally developing employees empowering them around Apple's culture. An experienced leader with over 20 years experience in both the commercial and public sector leading high performance teams in sales, strategic planning, business development, organisational culture and development, coaching and mentoring, communication and customer service. Outside of Apple he serves as a Director for the Association of School and College Leaders on their Professional Development Board.

Dave MacCormick is Headteacher of Holyrood Academy in Chard, South Somerset. Prior to this, Dave was a Deputy Headteacher across Holyrood and Axe Valley Academies, focussing upon post-16 provision, Year 11 achievement and Pupil Premium strategies. Dave and his team have led the creation of a nationally recognised Cradle to Career model of support for children and families in Chard, which addresses and supports the complex issues of poverty and gaps in service provision, replacing this with an asset-based approach to convening and improvement of services. This work has led to policy change and innovation in areas such as health visiting and antenatal education. Dave is passionate about inclusion of children with complex needs within mainstream schools in their communities and his team has pioneered a series of on-site specialist provisions to support young people to thrive in the mainstream. These provisions have shaped inclusion policy across Somerset.

Ron Richards BEM is a former Headteacher of Priory Community School, and has since held a range of roles, including as the first Head of the Virtual School for Children in Care in North Somerset and as a School Improvement Partner in two SW local authorities. Ron currently works in a strategic role as an Online Safety Consultant with the South West Grid for Learning and the UK Safer Internet Centre. In this role, he works with national organisations, UK devolved administrations and numerous MATs. He assesses schools across the home nations and internationally for the quality of their online safety practice. He was awarded the British Empire Medal in 2023 for his services to volleyball and sport in the South West, having over 50 years of service at a senior level in the national and regional governing bodies.

Rod Sibley is a retired company director with a background in Facilities Management and Project Management including HS&E, risk management and financial planning. Rod has more than 25 years experience in school governance as a Governor and Trustee including Chair of numerous sub committees and Chair of Governors. He is an appeals panel member for both North Somerset and Bristol City Councils.