





## Ashlands CofE Primary School


### List of Governors on the Local Governing Committee 2025-2026

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Name and Governor Type	Type Governor Profile	Term of office start date	Term of office end date	Link governor roles
 <p><b>David Harvey</b>  <b>LA appointed Governor</b>  <b>Foundation Governor</b></p>	<p>I have an extensive career in education working for 30 years in maintained schools as teacher, Head of Department/Faculty, senior leadership roles and governor (secondary and primary). In 2009 I joined Hampshire County Council as Area Strategic Manager Alternative Provision, and from 2015 -2021 Inclusion Support Service Manager for HCC. I had oversight for inclusion, exclusion, attendance, medical referrals, Elective Home Education, Children Missing Education and commissioning of alternative provision. I supported Headteachers in primary, secondary and special schools together with close liaison with school improvement teams, SEN, transport and social services. I am vice president of the Association of Education Welfare Management (AEWM) and founder member and chair (2015 – 2021) of the Association of Elective Home Education Professionals (AEHEP). I continue to meet with the Department for Education around attendance and EHE.</p> <p>I retired in 2021 and with my wife moved to Somerset. Together we enjoy travel, exploring new places using the National trust and English Heritage plus visiting friends and family in the UK and abroad. We have two adult children, both teachers, and have in the last two years become a</p>	10.3.25	10.3.29	<p>Safeguarding</p> <p>Chair of the Local Governing Committee</p>

	<p>Grandad which is a great joy. We are active members of our local church and have embraced village life. I enjoy all sport, playing regular table tennis, I run (slowly!) and I am currently walking the SW Coast path. I am a season ticket holder at Exeter City although my first love in football is Southampton who I manage to see a few games each year.</p> <p>I was delighted to join the Ashland's governors as an LA appointment in March 2024 and I was made chair in May 2024. I look forward to meeting as many children and parents as possible over the coming year.</p>			
 <p><b>Dominic Lawrence</b> <b>LA appointed Governor</b></p>	<p>I am a primary school teacher currently teaching Year 1 in another school and a leader of Computing and Design Technology subject areas.</p> <p>I attended Ashlands as a child when it was a first school and as a governor, I wish to ensure that the school continues to provide a quality education for future generations. As a primary school teacher I bring significant experience of the primary curriculum, subject leadership, and knowledge of the early years in primary schools. We all go into teaching because we care about the outcomes of the children and I believe that all children have the potential to be successful.</p>	1.7.24	1.7.28	Safeguarding Vice Chair

 <p><b>Diana Guitane</b> <b>Parent Governor</b></p>	<p>My name is Diana Guitane, and I am originally from Latvia and have worked in the dairy farming industry for 20 years in hands-on roles. Last year, I joined an American ruminant nutrition company, supporting dairy farmers by combining data analysis with practical experience.</p> <p>I am a mum of three boys, all of whom have or will attend Ashland’s Church of England Primary School at some point.</p> <p>I loved being at school and believe every child deserves the most positive experience possible while they are learning.</p> <p>I believe that time outdoors—alongside animals and sport—can bring energy, confidence, and wellbeing into everyone’s life.</p>	18.9.25	18.9.29	
 <p><b>Rob Cotterell</b></p>	<p>I have lived in Crewkerne for 16 years and have a wife and 5 children (3 are grown up and left the nest).</p> <p>After moving around a lot in my role as a Chef/Publican, which took me to every corner of the UK, I settled down and I am now the owner of Sheila’s Café.</p> <p>I like to play a part in the town through sponsoring the rugby club under 8s and the Crewkerne road race amongst other things.</p> <p>I previously served as a town councillor.</p>	23.10.25	23.10.29	To be confirmed

<b>Parent Governor</b>				
<p data-bbox="219 379 439 408"><b>Awaiting picture</b></p> <p data-bbox="241 563 416 592">Clint Buncher</p> <p data-bbox="226 624 432 652">Parent Governor</p>	<p data-bbox="819 320 1032 349"><b>Awaiting profile</b></p>	<p data-bbox="1335 261 1435 290">8.10.25</p>	<p data-bbox="1559 261 1659 290">8.10.29</p>	<p data-bbox="1783 320 1995 349">To be confirmed</p>
 <p data-bbox="255 1010 405 1038"><b>Nicola Ball</b></p> <p data-bbox="241 1070 418 1099"><b>Headteacher</b></p>	<p data-bbox="539 687 1308 868"><i>I am proud to be the Head Teacher of Ashlands Church of England Primary School. I took up this role in 2016, following 4 years as Deputy Head. I have enjoyed many roles and responsibilities during my teaching career and continue to have a strong passion for English and Sports.</i></p> <p data-bbox="539 900 1301 1007"><i>In my spare time I enjoy spending time with my family and getting out in the open air. I have just taken up paddle sports and am trying to master white water canoeing!</i></p>		<p data-bbox="1559 687 1615 716">N/A</p>	<p data-bbox="1783 687 2085 716">Executive Headteacher</p>

