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There are 57 members, and a quorum is 40%, or 23 members.

Members are listed below by category, showing the number of members included in the constitution, their school, (for maintained school members) and their term of office.

Nursery Head Teacher (one member)

- Lisa Jenkins (Aclet Close Nursery), 13 February 2024 to 12 February 2028

Nursery school Governor (one member)

- Sarah Scott (Rosemary Lane Nursery), 13 July 2023 to 12 July 2027

Primary Headteachers (nine members)

- Mark Watson (Leadgate Primary), 31 March 2022 to 30 March 2026
- Nicola James (St Andrews Primary), 7 July 2022 to 6 July 2026
- Alice Hassall (St Oswald’s CE Primary), 7 July 2022 to 6 July 2026
- Bethan Smith (Framwellgate Moor Primary), 16 June 2023 to 15 June 2027
- Charlotte Ferguson (Langley Moor Primary), 16 June 2023 to 15 June 2027
- Helen Tait, (St Margaret’s CE Primary), 29 January 2024 to 28 January 2028

- Dr Sandra Whitton (Finchale Primary), 29 January 2024 to 28 January 2028
- Rachel Butler (Chester-le-Street CE Junior), 29 January 2024 to 28 January 2028
- Natalie Maughan (Bowburn Primary), 20 March 2024 to 19 March 2028

Primary Governors (five members)

- Shirley Quinn (Timothy Hackworth Primary), 16 August 2021 to 15 August 2025
- Peter Nicholls (Bowes Hutchinson CE Primary & Cotherstone Primary), 16 August 2021 to 15 August 2025
- Jennifer Tremewan (Escomb Primary), 15 August 2022 to 14 August 2026
- Mary Turner (Sherburn Primary), 15 August 2022 to 14 August 2026
- One vacancy

Secondary Headteachers (one member)

- Paul Marsden (Belmont School), 10 May 2021 to 9 May 2025

Secondary Governors (one member)

- Professor Simon Morris (Durham Johnston School), 8 July 2021 to 7 July 2025

Special Headteacher (one member)

- Rachel Grimwood (Durham Trinity School), 28 March 2023 to 27 March 2027

Special Governor (one member)

- Philip Chater (Walworth School), 16 August 2021 to 15 August 2025

Representative of Maintained Pupil Referral Units (one member)

- Lesley Candler (The Woodlands), 11 November 2023 to 10 November 2027

Academies (twenty three members)

- Madeleine Hope, 26 November 2020 to 25 November 2024
- Jane Henderson, 26 November 2020 to 25 November 2024
- Janet Willis, 8 March 2021 to 7 March 2025
- Lee Alexander, 8 March 2021 to 7 March 2025
- Ken Neild, 8 March 2021 to 7 March 2025
- Andy Collishaw, 19 August 2021 to 18 August 2025
- Karen Oliver, 19 August 2021 to 18 August 2025
- Kevin Brennan, 29 September 2022 to 28 September 2026
- Helen Ashton, 30 January 2024 to 29 January 2028
- Dave Stone, 21 March 2024 to 20 March 2028
- Thirteen vacancies

Special Academies (one member)

- Mick Little (Hopewood Academy), 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2027

Alternative Provision Academies (one member)

- Kerrie Whelan, 29 June 2023 to 28 June 2027

Providers of 16 to 19 Education (one member)

- One vacancy

Private, Voluntary and Independent Nurseries (two members)

- James Roy, 21 March 2023 to 20 March 2027
- One vacancy

Roman Catholic Diocese (one member)

- Michael Tiplady, 19th June 2023 to 18th June 2027

Church of England Diocese (one member)

- Lindsey Vollans, 9 June 2023 to 8 June 2027

National Education Union (NEU) Representative (one member)

- Ian Bain, 26 August 2020 to 25 August 2024

NASUWT Representative (one member)

- Dan Lister, 7 June 2021 to 6 June 2025

National Association of Headteachers (NAHT) Representative (one member)

- Rachel Brannan, 11 May 2021 (Temporary)

Association of School and College Leaders (ASCL) Representative (one member)

- One vacancy

Unison Representative (one member)

- Pamela Laverick, 20 November 2023 to 19 November 2027

GMB Representative (one member)

- Les Timbey, 7 June 2021 to 6 June 2025

Durham Association of Secondary Headteachers (DASH) (one observer)

- Wendy Pattison, 8 March 2021 to 7 March 2025

Looked After Children /Special Educational Needs / Hospital Education (one member)

- Melanie Stubbs, 10 March 2021 to 9 March 2025

Elected County Council Observers (one member)

- Councillor Ted Henderson

Forum Substitute Membership

Substitute members are listed below by category, showing the number of members included in the constitution, their school, (for maintained school members) and the term of office. There is provision in the constitution of the Forum for a substitute member for all members, with substitute members able to attend in place of an absent member. For both nursery and special school governors there is an extra substitute member. The extra substitute members are to recognise that in the event of a vacancy for the governor member there may be a significant period of time before the election of a replacement member.

Nursery Head Teacher Substitute (one member)

- Kelly-Ann Lee (Etherley Lane Nursery), 24 June 2024 to 23 June 2028

Nursery school Governor Substitutes (two members)

- Two vacancies

Primary Headteacher Substitutes (nine members)

- Nicola Murray (Kirk Merrington Primary), 7 July 2022 to 7 July 2026
- Joanne Bromley (King Street Primary), 29 January 2024 to 28 January 2028
- Seven vacancies

Primary Governor Substitutes (six)

- Councillor Mamie Simmons (Newton Hall Infants, Framwellgate Moor Primary & Durham Blue Coat CE Junior), 16 August 2021 to 15 August 2025
- Pam Monaghan (Silver Tree Primary), 16 August 2021 to 15 August 2025
- David Bowes (St Francis CE Junior), 16 August 2021 to 15 August 2025
- Angela Smith (St Anne's CE Primary), 16 August 2021 to 15 August 2025
- Stephen Forster (Lumley Junior), 16 August 2021 to 15 August 2025

- One vacancy

Secondary Headteacher Substitutes (one member)

- Andy O’Sullivan (Durham Johnston), 13 February 2024 to 12 February 2028

Secondary School Governor Substitutes (one member)

- Lisa Ingleby (Greenfield Community College), 12 July 2022 to 11 July 2026

Special Headteacher Substitutes (one member)

- Martyn Tweddle (The Oaks School), 12 July 2023 to 11 July 2027

Special School Governor Substitutes (two members)

- Two vacancies

Representative of Maintained Pupil Referral Unit Substitute (one member)

- Danielle James, 27 September 2023 to 26 September 2027

Academies Substitutes (twenty three members)

- Twenty three vacancies

Special Academies Substitute (one member)

- Adele Pearson (Hopewood Academy), 10 June 2023 to 9 June 2027

Alternative Provision Academies Substitute (one member)

- One vacancy

Providers of 16 to 19 education Substitute (one member)

- One vacancy

Private, Voluntary and Independent Nurseries Substitutes (two members)

- Two vacancies

Roman Catholic Diocese Substitute (one member)

- Angela Garrity, 14 September 2023 to 13 September 2027

Church of England Diocese Substitute (one member)

- Kirsty Harrison-Brown, 10 June 2023 to 9 June 2027

National Education Union (NEU) Substitute (one member)

- Vicky Bain, 26 August 2020 to 25 August 2024

NASUWT Representative Substitute (one member)

- Deborah Egglestone, 7 June 2021 to 6 June 2025

National Association of Headteachers (NAHT) Substitute (one member)

- One vacancy

Association of School and College Leaders (ASCL) Substitute (one member)

- One vacancy

Unison Substitute (one member)

- David Glew, 20 November 2023 to 19 November 2027

GMB Substitute (one member)

- One vacancy

Durham Association of Secondary Headteachers (DASH) Substitute (one observer)

- One vacancy

Looked After Children /Special Educational Needs / Hospital Education Substitute (one member)

- One vacancy