

# Meet Pirton School's Governors

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**Vanessa Cole: Chair, Co-opted Governor**



Having lived in Pirton for 28 years, I am delighted to be involved with our vibrant, happy school, at the centre of village life. I am married, have two grown up daughters.

My professional background was in Local Government as an Environmental Health Officer and Manager. I am also chair of the Pirton Pumpkin Club, which through village events, raises money to put back into village initiatives and I am the course manager for Bedfordshire Youth Opera, a summer course for young people.

**Responsibilities:**

Committees – Premises, Resources, Teaching & Learning.

**Nathan Gainford: Vice Chair, Co-opted Governor**



Proud father of 2 boys, 1 currently at Pirton school and the other currently in Pre-School. Our family moved to Pirton in 2019 and care deeply for the well-being and education of the children in our wonderful community.

I am the Managing Director of a global advertising leading 250 people to develop strategy and creative communications for some of the world's best-known brands.

**Responsibilities:**

Website & Marketing

Committees: Resources (Chair)

**Jenn Magdeburg: Head Teacher**



I was appointed as Headteacher in September 2022 and it is a privilege to lead Pirton School. Working with our Board of Governors, we intend for the School to be the heart of the local community and for all our children to enjoy their learning, achieve their potential and become independent and lifelong learners.

**Responsibilities:**

Head Teacher

Committees: Teaching & Learning, Resources, Premises

**Sam MacDonald: Staff Governor**



I have taught at Pirton School since 2016. In February 2022, I assumed the position of Staff Governor.

I serve as the Training and Development Governor, ensuring that members of the governing body receive adequate, up-to-date training.

**Responsibilities:**

Training

Committees: Teaching & Learning

### **Owain Lister: Co-opted Governor**



I have lived in Pirton with my wife Julie for 35 years and our sons, now 32 went to Pirton school. We have both been active in the community over that time.

My background as a manager in the construction industry has given me building knowledge, people management skills and other experience of use to the governing body.

#### **Responsibilities:**

Health & Safety

Committees: Premises

### **Kirsty Muldoon – Local Authority Governor**



I have worked as an Occupational Therapist for the past 20 years, supporting children and young people with physical and neurodevelopmental conditions.

My areas of strength for governance at Pirton are my knowledge of well-being, SEN and safeguarding. I feel honoured to have the opportunity to support our community school.

#### **Responsibilities:**

SEN

Committees: Teaching & learning

**Tom Wood: Co-opted Governor**



I live in the village with my wife and (pre-school aged) daughter. I volunteered as a governor to contribute to the community.

I work as an actuary/consultant providing advice on the management of pension schemes and wish to contribute my experience of financial management, governance and effective decision making to the governing body.

**Responsibilities:**

EYFS

Committees: Resources

**Adrian Warner: Co-opted Governor**



I have been an international sports journalist for more than 30 years for Reuters, Evening Standard and BBC. I am a lecturer at the University of Northampton where I teach multimedia journalism.

**Responsibilities:**

Safeguarding

Committees: Teaching & Learning (with a particular interest in sport)