

Neil Aylott



I am the Chief Finance Officer of The Wensum Trust. I have extensive financial experience having joined Hellesdon High School as Finance Manager in September 2013; previously I was employed as a Finance Support Manager at Norfolk County Council for 3 years.

I have previous experience of working as Management Accountant for Omar Homes for six years; I am ACCA qualified and have a BA (Hons) in Politics and Sociology.

I was a Governor of White Woman Lane and Old Catton Federation and also a Community Governor at Garrick Green Infant School.

I have undertaken numerous cycle challenges for charity including riding from Lands' End to John O'Groats in 2015.

The Reverend Christopher Engelsen



Born near Southend, I can just about claim to be an East Anglian. I went to school in Ringmer, East Sussex and discovered my love of music and literature and a sense of calling to be a priest. Coming to Norwich in 1978, I worked at Moss Bros, and studied evenings at City College, before going to train for the ministry at Lincoln Theological College.

Ordained as a deacon at Norwich Cathedral in 1986 (and priest in 1987), I served my curacy in Sprowston, then a second curacy in Harrogate. After three years in East Leeds as a Team Vicar, I was Priest in Charge of Foulsham, Hindolveston and Guestwick. Then P in C at Hevingham, Stratton Strawless and Hainford, (which later expanded to Coltishall, Horstead, Frettenham, Hainford and Stratton Strawless).

I have been Bishop's Foundation Governor with Hainford School since 2001 and have seen it grow into partnership with Frettenham, from a First School to a Primary, to the Harnser and now as part of the Nebula Federation.

It is a joy to take assemblies at Frettenham and Hainford and join in with RE from time to time. My aim is to give the opportunity for children to discover what the Christian faith means for them, along with a sense of worship, prayer and community and care for others, themselves and the world. It is also a privilege to welcome the whole school into our local church throughout the year.

Part of my inspiration is St. Benedict, whose way is to integrate work, prayer, study, rest and community an on-going challenge!

I enjoy music (including playing the piano) reading, going to the theatre/cinema with my wife Jenny and catching up with our two children, Charlotte and Peter at university.

Sue Hill



I have been a Governor for over 25 years - originally at Frettenham First School whilst still teaching at Sprowston High School. Since my retirement I have supported Frettenham through partnership and federation with Hainford School, its change of status to a primary school, then federating with St. Faiths' and now as a member of the exciting and innovative Nebula Federation.

Throughout this time I have been a classroom volunteer supporting pupils one day a week, a member of Resources, Finance and Curriculum Committees and served as Chair for over 5 years.

I am a great supporter of village/rural Schools and have strong views on the importance of education to help children enjoy learning and to aim high! I love being in school and find primary aged children a constant delight and often an interesting challenge.

My interests include golf, playing in Norwich City Concert Band (often wrong notes!) opera, birding, cooking and eating! I also have an enthusiastic but ignorant interest in gardening,

Doreen Kelf



I have recently retired from 40 plus years working for the NHS. The last 19 years have been in a specialist nurse role looking after people with Liver disease. I was based at the NNUH but included doing outreach clinics in the community including all the local prisons.

I have a grandson with special educational needs and have an interest in this area.

I am new to the role of governor and have lots to learn but am hoping my nursing experience and working within a large organisation that is also very open to scrutiny and targets will be of some value.

Retirement is allowing me to have more time for my family and other activities including golf, cycling and supporting Norwich City FC.

James Savage



I am delighted to take up this role as part of the Nebula Federation's governing body. I have taught at White Woman Lane for over 5 years and, in that time, I have seen first-hand the impact the school's caring and supportive environment has on the children.

I spent several happy childhood years in Old Catton, so I am especially pleased that I am able raise my own family in the area. As a local resident and a parent of children that have attended OCJS and WWL, I feel I have benefitted more than most from the opportunities the schools provide both the children and the wider community.

I hope that I am in some way able to contribute to enabling the schools to continue to thrive, nurture talent, promote individuality and celebrate success.

Sylvia Mak



I am appointed by the PCC at St Margaret's Church in Old Catton as a foundation governor. Retired after a mixed career; teaching primary school children in Saudi Arabia and Literacy Coordinator in Mexico and working in England in central and local government with both financial and managerial responsibilities.

I was a member of the PCC at Christchurch, an Anglican Episcopalian church in Mexico City for five years. I was also secretary of the reordering committee at St. Margaret's Church for several years. I am currently on the social affairs/outreach committee and have set up a team presenting the 'Open the Book' scheme at Old Catton Church of England Junior School.

I have also had many years' experience working with children in the voluntary sector including Guiding and Red Cross.

Revd Margaret McPhee



I have been Rector of Horsford Benefice, which includes the Parishes of Horsford, Felthorpe and Hevingham since October 2016. I'm passionate about being involved in community life which includes being a member of the Horsford Business Action Group supporting and helping in exploring projects to benefit the community and as a Trustee for 2 local charities.

Prior to being ordained, I ran my Human Resources and Learning business for 12 years, working with a variety of clients across the commercial, public and charity sectors. I was involved in my professional institute, Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development, being Chair of Quality Assurance visits to universities, colleges and private providers of the CIPD professional qualifications and Regional Verifier for Eastern Region.

I have previously served as a Foundation Governor at the Swallowtail Federation of Schools, January 2014 to July 2016. I was appointed Bishop's Foundation Governor in January 2017 for Horsford Church of England VA Primary School and am pleased to have been appointed to this role again for the Nebula Federation. I am Chair of the Ethos Committee and support the Safeguarding Governor for Horsford Primary C of E VA School.

I am actively involved in Horsford Primary C of E VA School, taking Collective Worship every fortnight, supporting the school on activities, facilitating annual Prayer Spaces and Transition days, developing the understanding of the Values, supporting the RE Curriculum through visits to the church and taking seasonal church services (usually in Mill Lane site school hall). I am working with the other Foundation Governors across the Federation on the SIAMS inspection criteria as the Church Schools develop further in their Christian Ethos and Distinctiveness.

Pete Leggett



I am Pete Leggett and I am an Electrician to the current 18th Edition standard, Qualified Person for the NICEIC and also an Authorised Person (LV). I hold the FGAS qualification and have a HND in electrics/electronics. I have a wealth of knowledge in Health and Safety and hold the IOSH qualification. My day-to-day job is working as the Team Leader of a commercial maintenance team. I hope that my experiences in Health and Safety and building maintenance will be helpful to the Nebula Schools.

Peter Spears



We have been living in Hainford as a family since early 2012. My wife comes from Hainford and went to Hainford School as a child. We were married in Hainford church in 2006. Our two children both go to Hainford Primary and both attended the pre-school in Hainford. Both my wife, Sarah and my mother in law are teachers so I have some appreciation of the issues in Education.

I have been working in the NHS in various roles since late 1999. I feel I have good understanding of both how the public sector works and the cross over between the NHS and Education. I am a member of the resources committee and hope to bring some of the things I have learnt during my working life both to this and to the governing body.

I do the school runs each week and hope parents are able to come to me and feel that they can bring any issues or concerns to me whenever they wish.

Jane Stockings



I live in Frettenham, my daughter Ava attends the local village school. I am a solicitor and Notary Public in private practice. I am a new parent governor and I am on the finance committee and am also a safeguarding governor for Frettenham, Horsford and Hainford schools.

I hope my experience at work will assist generally but in particular with reviewing policy documentation and risk assessments.

Martin White



I have worked in education in Norfolk for over forty years, twenty as a headteacher in a large junior school. Since 'retirement' I have worked part time as a consultant headteacher in a number of Norfolk primary schools.

In my spare time I am a Norwich City and Leicester Tigers supporter, enthusiastic amateur naturalist, and volunteer as an 'Appropriate Adult' supporting young people and vulnerable adults in police custody.

As a governor I serve on Finance and General Purposes and Curriculum & Standards committees. I have responsibility for the oversight of PE and Sports Premium and I am the link governor for St. Faiths' Primary school. I am also a maintained Primary School representative on the Norfolk Schools Forum and a member of the Norfolk Governors Network committee.

John Hindley

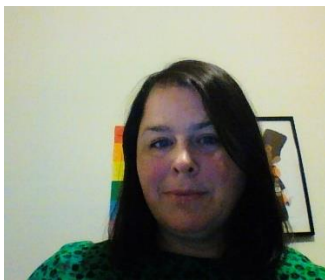


I am married to Felicity and we have three children how are all thoroughly enjoying their learning and life at Frettenham School. I previously served as a governor for the Harnser Federation, stepping down as the size of the governing body was decreased at that time. As well as being a parent, I have been involved in serving the Nebula Schools through my work as Minister of Broadgrace Church, which meets in Coltishall.

I have had the opportunity to take assemblies and help with the Religious Education provision at Frettenham and Hainford Schools. More recently, due to the restrictions of the coronavirus outbreak, I have been able to support schools across the Nebula with recorded assemblies.

I have been greatly impressed with the care and nurture, as well as the education, that I have seen provided in our schools. It has also been lovely to see how the Nebula Federation has strengthened the good work being done and brought new opportunities through the larger partnership. I am glad to be back as a governor and looking forward to my term, which has just begun in September 2020.

Alice Ndiaye



I have just joined as a co-opted governor at the Nebula Federation and have been a parent governor at Lodge Lane since 2018.

My educational role model is Rita Pierson. "Every child deserves a champion—an adult who will never give up on them, who understands the power of connection, and insists that they become the best that they can possibly be."

I have worked in education for over 20 years, as a teacher in Brighton and Dereham, senior leader in Kelling, study support at North Walsham Rugby Club, Healthy Norfolk Schools Advisor and I currently work within Norfolk and Waveney CAMHS supporting mental health and emotional wellbeing in schools and other educational settings. My area is prevention and early intervention and how health, social care and education can work together to get better outcomes for children and young people.

I am passionate about the need to reduce inequity in all its forms so that children and young people can leave education prepared for life in the 21st century. I am Stonewall trained and sit on the Local Authority Advisory Networks for Racial Equality and LGBTQ+. I have an interest in Trauma and the impact of growing up surrounded by systemic inequality with 1 or more protected characteristics. I have worked with the federation schools for many years as a PATHS coach and trainer and have built relationships of trust with staff members. I live in Old Catton and have good insight into the communities each school serve.

I hope that in my role as critical friend I can support the whole federation community's wellbeing so that the negative impact of the current pandemic is as minimal as possible; and that I am able to utilise my experience of school improvement so that all children can thrive and flourish.

I have 2 young daughters so fully understand the pressures families face and its effects. I am a huge fan of Cbeebies and if I ever get free time I like a decent drama boxset.

Steve Curtis



I live in Rackheath with my wife Susan, have two grown up children and three grandchildren.
I worked in London for 44 years for Lloyds brokers and underwriters, before retiring in 2019.
I was born in Ipswich, went to my first football match there in 1968 and have been a season ticket holder since 1981.
My belief is that all children should be given the right to the best education possible.

Nicola Swan



My name is Nicola Swan and I live near Old Catton. I spent most of my formative years overseas before parents settled back in Norfolk, so was educated locally.

I have long experience of working as a lawyer in the local government legal field after starting out as a secretary in a private firm in Norwich. I have joined the board of governors at a very disruptive time with coronavirus having far-reaching impacts.

I have always been interested in education and development, and I hope my legal skills will be useful in helping me to contribute to the work of the Nebula Federation's board of governors.