

TRUST BOARD (Members)		
Name/Appointed By	Current / Recent Role	Skills / Experience
Arun Arora Representative of the Leeds Diocese Board of Finance	Bishop of Kirkstall	Originally trained and practised as an employment lawyer and served as National Director of Communications for the Church of England. Co-chair of the Archbishop's Anti-Racism Taskforce. Appointed: January 2024
Christopher Smith Appointed Member	Circuit Judge	Legal expertise, including criminal law and fraud Leadership role in a Trust School governance experience Appointed: September 2018
Lynne Hughes – Guy Appointed Member	GP Partner (retired) Qualified teacher (retired)	Business growth Financial management / HR Experienced in leadership and partnership working. School governance experience Education experience Appointed: September 2018
Representative of the York Diocese Board of Finance - to be announced	Corporate role	Strategic leadership and partnership working Promoting church ethos and values
Leigh Hoath Joint Member appointment (York Diocese Board of Finance and the Leeds Diocese Board of Finance)	Deputy Dean – School of Education Professor of Science Education Qualified and experienced teacher	Trust governance Education policy and curriculum Strategic leadership Values-based leadership

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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Ilan Bond Co-opted Trustee	Chair of Trustees Founding Director IRIS Software Ltd	Provision of operational management systems to improve education Experienced data analyst – systems used in 1000+ schools across UK. Academy governance Appointed: September 2018
George Petrie Parent Trustee	Non-practising Solicitor with experience in commercial and debt litigation and property law. Currently working as a Coach in Mortgage Services.	Legal experience. Risk and Compliance Professional experienced in supporting assurance and control framework models. Experienced School Governor. Appointed: September 2018 Re-appointed: September 2022
Stella Pollard Member appointed Trustee	Business, Education & Progression Mentor & Funding Panel Chair – The Princes Trust	Substantial and senior level expertise in Business, Operations, Enterprise, Marketing, HR, Organisational Change, Law, Performance, Training and Learning Development. Director, Consultant and Mentor (Multi-Sector). Experienced Academy governance. Appointed September 2018 Re-appointed September 2022
Shaun Kelly Member appointed Trustee	Qualified accountant working for the Ministry of Justice	Fully qualified accountant. Significant experience of successful financial and general management in not-for-profit organisation and public sector. Experienced school governor Appointed: January 2021
Joanna Hynes Member appointed Trustee	Deputy Director Estates and Facilities, University of Leeds	Experience of working at a senior and strategic level in a very complex educational organisation. Knowledge and experience of successful facilities and estates management to support high quality education provision. Successful leadership of risk management, quality, performance, sustainability, welfare, and delivery of change. Robust auditing experience. Appointed: February 2021

<p>David Merrett Member appointed Trustee</p>	<p>Management and Strategy Consultant and Senior Strategy and Risk Executive.</p>	<p>Experience of strategic decision making, developing and implementing growth plans, governance, oversight and change management. Strong finance skills and experience of corporate financial management/accountability and risk management.</p> <p>Appointed May 2022</p>
<p>Robert Morton Co-opted Trustee</p>	<p>Asset Manager</p>	<p>Experience in managing office, industrial/logistics and retails assets. Liaising with investors, local authorities to lead on the strategy and direction of both property assets and developments and analysing prospective investment opportunities.</p> <p>Appointed: January 2024</p>
<p>Helen Lane Member appointed Trustee</p>	<p>North East, Yorkshire and Humber Region of Ofsted, most recently as Senior His Majesty's Inspector and Assistant Regional Director (now retired)</p>	<p>Experience in extensive senior leadership, experience at a local and national level in Ofsted, including inspection and monitoring of primary and secondary schools and inspection of initial teacher training providers. Helen's leadership experience spans all of Ofsted's remits, schools, early years, further education and skills and social care.</p> <p>A range of school leadership roles, including as Headteacher. Helen has also worked as a school improvement advisor and as a primary and secondary science teacher advisor. In both these roles she oversaw improvements at both school and subject level.</p> <p>Appointed: March 2024</p>
<p>Ian Thomson- Smith Leeds Diocese appointed Trustee</p>	<p>22 years as a Primary Headteacher. Recently retired.</p>	<p>Experience in successfully leading schools through Ofsted inspections. Leadership roles across Yorkshire. Diocese of Leeds Advisor, supporting schools across 5 different LA's in developing their effectiveness and Christian distinctiveness, including preparation for SIAMS inspections.</p> <p>Appointed: April 2024</p>