



Whitley Memorial  
C of E Primary School

'Let your light shine' Matthew 5:16



## *Chris Peart – Chair of Governors & LA Governor*

I have been a Governor since 2019 and was elected Chair of Governors in Jan 2023 and again in Jan 2024 . I am the Safeguarding, H&S and Lead Governor for English and Science. 2 of my 3 children attend Whitley with my eldest having been in Whitley as the 1<sup>st</sup> cohort in Year 6.

I have a strong background in Science, Technology, Process Design, Strategy and Change Management and am a Director of Shared Services in a Global Software Company, where I am a qualified Coach and Mental Health First Aider

The Whitley is at the heart of our community, I aim to have positive impact on, and I am extremely passionate about getting our foundations right to set all the Whitley children up to succeed emotionally, socially and academically and to Let Their Light Shine!





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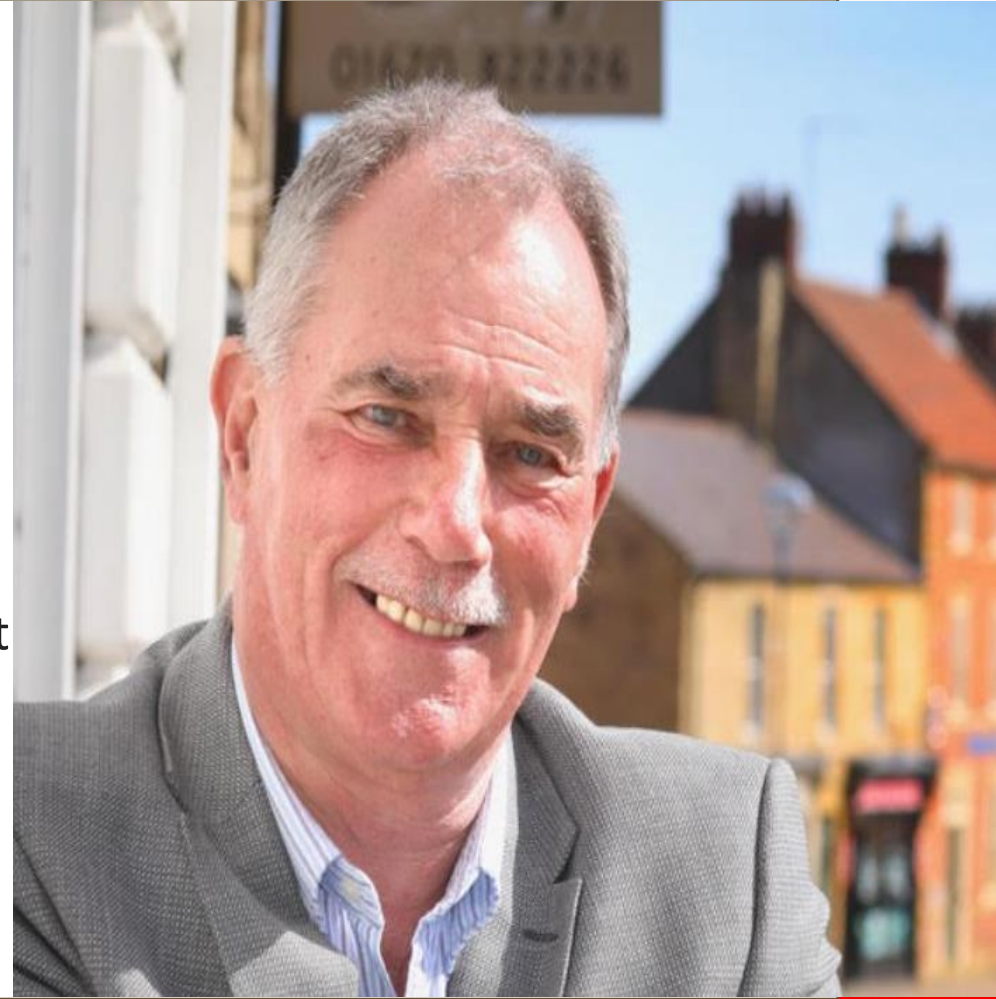
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## *Russ Wallace - Vice Chair*

I have been a Governor since 2017 and lead on Maths.

After a lifetime in education, I firmly believe that schools should give our young people the best social, personal and academic education possible. I am proud that the Whitley does its very best to do just that..





## *David Lea*

I have been a Governor since December 2022 and lead on Humanities and have an interest in Mathematics.

I have spent nearly 40 years employed in the NHS working within Human Resources, Performance Management and Quality Assurance. I am committed to ensuring that the Whitley is adequately resourced to deliver the best education and life skills to enable to realise their full potential.





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## *Rev. Ian Hennebry*

I am the vicar of St. Cuthbert's, Bedlington, St. Andrew's, Cambois and St. John's, Sleekburn. I have been a foundation governor at the Whitley Memorial School since 2014. Before becoming a vicar I worked in primary education for over 20 years as a subject co-ordinator and also as a deputy headteacher. I have a Master's degree in educational leadership and management, and have served on the Diocesan Board of Education. I come into school every Tuesday to lead singing and worship, and the children come into St. Cuthbert's at least once a term for seasonal celebrations, Eucharist and educational visits.





## *Kelly Johnson*

I have over 15 years of experience of working in the Further Education sector in various roles including a teacher, a curriculum leader, and a curriculum operations manager.

I specialise mainly in the subjects of Sport, Health and Fitness and I have educated young people from Level 1 to Foundation Degree level, including A-levels.

I work for NCFE, the technical and vocational awarding organisation where I support schools and colleges with the teaching and learning of the NCFE qualifications, with a focus on promoting and advancing learning. Within my current role I'm also a coach and mentor as well as a qualified Mental Health First Aider as I am very enthusiastic about promoting positive well-being for all.

I really am passionate about contributing to help create a fairer and more inclusive society through education where every young person has the opportunity, means and motivation to access high quality learning experiences to be successful and achieve their full potential.

A Parent Governor with a lead in SEN and supporting Science and PE

