

GOVERNORS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Since 1 September 2015, governing bodies have had to publish their register of interests on their website. The register should set out the relevant business interests of governors and details of any other educational establishments they govern. The register should also set out any relationships between governors and members of the school staff including spouses, partners and relatives



WOOTTON BASSETT INFANTS' SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY 2025

Register of business interests (pecuniary interests)

Under finance regulations, all schools must keep a register of business interests of the governors and the headteacher. The basic rule is that no person should be involved in a decision where his or her personal interests may conflict with those of the governing body. A governor should declare any personal conflict as soon as a matter in which they have an interest is raised.

In both maintained schools and academies, it is legal for governing bodies to pay for goods and/or services, including those provided by an individual who is also serving as a governor, although the individual must not put themselves in a position where their personal interests conflict with their duty unless they are authorised to do so. If a conflict does exist, the governing body should first assure themselves that this in its best interests and will better help it achieve its purposes. The governing body must manage, and be seen to manage, any conflicts of interest that may arise, and be open and accountable to those with an interest; there would be no advantage of using the services provided by the individual if the need to manage the conflict of interest outweighed the benefit.

The DfE places very clear expectations on academy trust boards in how they should manage any conflicts of interest. It is essential that all contracts and arrangements for payments of good and/or services follow proper procurement processes. In addition, where a contract is awarded to an academy member, trustee or a party connected to them the service/goods must be provided at cost and no profit is allowed to be made. Full details of the requirements placed on academies can be found in the 'Academies Financial Handbook'. Further information about payments to trustees is

available in the Charity Commission guide (CC11), Trustee expenses and payments.

The following is a record of each governor's declaration of Business interests, made at the beginning of the academic year, and to be updated at each meeting of the governing body (and its committees) where decisions are made.

NAME OF GOVERNOR	BUSINESS/ OTHER INTEREST	SIGNATURE	DATE OF DECLARATION
Kathryn Lancaster	None	K Lancaster	25/09/2025
Christine Hodkinson	None	C Hodkinson	08/09/2025
Emily Smith	Employee at WBIS	E Smith	28/09/2025
Andy Carr	Grandchildren attend WBIS	A Carr	22/09/2025
Amy Fedrick	Ofsted Inspector Child attends WBIS	A Fedrick	12/09/2025