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# Learning Matters Trust (LMT)

**Governance information including business interests and attendance  
October 2020**

- Structure
- Members
- Trustees

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## **Learning Matters Trust Governance Structure**

Vacancies which will be available on expansion of the MAT 2 x Member Positions

### Members and Person of Significant Control (3)

Kenneth Tonge - **Chair**

James Clark

Keith Hind

### Trustees (10)

Nicola Ashton - Principal

Mark Atkinson - Parent Director

Martin Connor - **Chair** & Education Specialist

Gemma Fenwick - Parent Director

Stephen Forsyth - Staff Director

Neil Houghton - Community Director

Tom Mayer - Staff Director

Andrew Slassor - Community

Keith Stout - Community Director

Gary Wallace - **Vice Chair** - Finance Specialist

### Kepier Local Governing Body

Nicola Ashton - Principal

Mark Atkinson

Martin Connor

Gemma Fenwick

Stephen Forsyth

Neil Houghton

Tom Mayer

Andrew Slassor

Keith Stout - **Vice Chair**

Gary Wallace - **Chair**



## **Members**

Name: Kenneth Tonge

Date of last appointment: 22/10/2019

Business/Pecuniary Interests: None

Governance roles in other educational establishments: Governor at Usworth Colliery Primary School

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Name: Martin Connor

Date of last appointment: 22/10/2019

Date of resignation: 06/10/2020 (continues to serve as a Trustee)

Business/Pecuniary Interests: None

Governance roles in other educational establishments: None

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Name: James Clark

Date of last appointment: 19/06/2019

Business/Pecuniary Interests: None

Governance roles in other educational establishments: None

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Name: Keith Hind

Date of last appointment: 06/10/2020

Business/Pecuniary Interests: None

Governance roles in other educational establishments: None

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## **Trustees of Learning Matters Trust (Directors) and Keping Local Governing Body**

Name: Nicola Ashton

Date of last appointment: 01/09/2011

Term of office: duration of employment

Type of Trustee: Principal (LMT Trustee) and Accounting Officer

Business/Pecuniary Interests: None

Governance roles in other educational establishments: None

Member of the following committees: may attend all committees

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2016/2017:

Governing Body - attended 4 out of 4 meetings

Finance and General Purposes - attended 3 out of 3 meetings

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2017/2018:

Governing Body - attended 3 out of 3 meetings

Finance and General Purposes - attended 2 out of 2 meetings

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2018/2019:

Governing Body - attended 3 out of 4 meetings

Finance and General Purposes - attended 3 out of 5 meetings

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2019/2020



Governing Body - attended 4 out of 4 meetings  
Finance and General Purposes - attended 7 out of 7 meetings  
Number of meetings attended during academic year 2020/2021  
Governing Body - attended 1 out of 1 meetings  
Finance and General Purposes - attended  
Curriculum/whole school responsibilities:

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Name: Andrew Slassor  
Date of last appointment: 26/04/2018  
Term of office: 4 years  
Type of Trustee: Community Director (LMT Trustee)  
Business/Pecuniary Interests: None  
Governance roles in other educational establishments: None  
Member of the following committees: Finance and General Purposes, Achievement and Progress, Welfare and Support, Admissions, Discipline and Complaints, Appointments, Personnel and Salaries  
Number of meetings attended during academic year 2016/2017:  
Governing Body - attended 4 out of 4 meetings  
Finance and General Purposes - attended 3 out of 3 meetings  
Number of meetings attended during academic year 2017/2018:  
Governing Body - attended 2 out of 3 meetings  
Finance and General Purposes - attended 2 out of 2 meetings  
Number of meetings attended during academic year 2018/2019:  
Governing Body - attended 4 out of 4 meetings  
Finance and General Purposes - attended 5 out of 5 meetings  
Number of meetings attended during academic year 2019/2020  
Governing Body - attended 4 out of 4 meetings  
Finance and General Purposes - attended 6 out of 7 meetings  
Number of meetings attended during academic year 2020/2021  
Governing Body - attended 1 out of 1 meetings  
Finance and General Purposes - attended  
Curriculum/whole school responsibilities: SEND, Looked After Children, Child Protection, Safeguarding, Science

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Name: Keith Stout  
Date of last appointment: 26/04/2018  
Term of office: 4 years  
Type of Trustee: Community Director (LMT Trustee) - Vice Chair of Governing Body, Chair of Personnel and Salaries Committee  
Business/Pecuniary Interests: None  
Governance roles in other educational establishments: None  
Member of the following committees: Finance and General Purposes, Achievement and Progress, Admissions, Discipline and Complaints, Welfare and Support, Appointments, Personnel and Salaries  
Number of meetings attended during academic year 2016/2017:  
Governing Body - attended 3 out of 4 meetings  
Finance and General Purposes - attended 2 out of 3 meetings  
Number of meetings attended during academic year 2017/2018:





Governing Body - attended 2 out of 3 meetings

Finance and General Purposes - attended 1 out of 2 meetings

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2018/2019:

Governing Body - attended 4 out of 4 meetings

Finance and General Purposes - attended 4 out of 5 meetings

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2019/2020

Governing Body - attended 4 out of 4 meetings

Finance and General Purposes - attended 7 out of 7 meetings

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2020/2021

Governing Body - attended 1 out of 1 meetings

Finance and General Purposes - attended

Curriculum/whole school responsibilities: Vice-Chair Governing Body, Most Able, Pupil Premium, Curriculum for Life, IT, Careers, Kepier Hall Trust

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Name: Gemma Fenwick

Date of last appointment: 31/01/2017

Term of office: 4 years

Type of Trustee: Parent Director (LMT Trustee)

Business/Pecuniary Interests: None

Governance roles in other educational establishments: Parent Governor, Burnside Academy, Houghton-le-Spring

Member of the following committees: Achievement and Progress

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2016/2017:

Governing Body - attended 2 out of 3 meetings

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2017/2018:

Governing Body - attended 0 out of 3 meetings

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2018/2019:

Governing Body - attended 1 out of 4 meetings

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2019/2020

Governing Body - attended 3 out of 4 meetings

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2020/2021

Governing Body - attended 1 out of 1 meetings

Curriculum/whole school responsibilities: Most Able

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Name: Thomas Mayer

Date of last appointment: 14/01/2020

Term of office: 4 years

Type of Trustee: Staff Director (LMT Trustee)

Business/Pecuniary Interests: None

Governance roles in other educational establishments: None

Member of the following committees: Discipline and Complaints, Finance and General Purposes, Achievement and Progress

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2016/2017:

Governing Body - attended 4 out of 4 meetings

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2017/2018:

Governing Body - attended 1 out of 3 meetings



Number of meetings attended during academic year 2018/2019:

Governing Body - attended 2 out of 4 meetings

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2019/2020

Governing Body - attended 3 out of 4 meetings

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2020/2021

Governing Body - attended 1 out of 1 meetings

Curriculum/whole school responsibilities: ICTAT, IT Network

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Name: Keith Hind

Date of last appointment: 19/06/2019

Term of office: 4 years

Date of Resignation: 06/10/2020

Type of Trustee: Community Director (LMT Trustee) - Resigned as Trustee and was appointed Member from 06/10/2020

Business/Pecuniary Interests: None

Governance roles in other educational establishments: None

Member of the following committees:

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2016/2017:

Governing Body - attended 4 out of 4 meetings

Finance and General Purposes - attended 1 out of 3 meetings

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2017/2018:

Governing Body - attended 3 out of 3 meetings

Finance and General Purposes - attended 1 out of 2 meetings

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2018/2019:

Governing Body - attended 2 out of 4 meetings

Finance and General Purposes - attended 2 out of 5 meetings

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2019/2020

Governing Body - attended 2 out of 4 meetings

Finance and General Purposes - attended 0 out of 7 meetings

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2020/2021

Governing Body - attended 1 out of 1 meeting (applicable up to and including 06/10/20)

Curriculum/whole school responsibilities: not applicable after 06/10/2020

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Name: Steven Forsyth

Date of last appointment: 14/01/2020

Term of office: 4 years

Type of Trustee: Staff Director (LMT Trustee)

Business/Pecuniary Interests: None

Governance roles in other educational establishments:

Member of the following committees: Discipline and Complaints, Finance and General Purposes, Achievement and Progress

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2016/2017:

Governing Body - attended 4 out of 4 meetings

Finance and General Purposes - attended 3 out of 3 meetings

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2017/2018:

Governing Body - attended 2 out of 3 meetings



Finance and General Purposes - attended 2 out of 2 meetings  
Number of meetings attended during academic year 2018/2019:  
Governing Body - attended 2 out of 4 meetings  
Finance and General Purposes - attended 4 out of 5 meetings  
Number of meetings attended during academic year 2019/2020  
Governing Body - attended 4 out of 4 meetings  
Finance and General Purposes - attended 7 out of 7 meetings  
Number of meetings attended during academic year 2020/2021  
Governing Body - attended 1 out of 1 meetings  
Finance and General Purposes - attended  
Curriculum/whole school responsibilities: Football Academy, Community

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Name: Lee Harnett  
Date of last appointment: 25/05/2016  
Term of office: 4 years  
Date of Resignation: 13/10/2020  
Type of Trustee: Parent Director (LMT Trustee)  
Business/Pecuniary Interests: Business Owner, Print2GoGo, Houghton-le-Spring, DH4 4AN  
Governance roles in other educational establishments: None  
Member of the following committees: Discipline and Complaints, Welfare and Support  
Number of meetings attended during academic year 2016/2017:  
Governing Body - attended 4 out of 4 meetings  
Number of meetings attended during academic year 2017/2018:  
Governing Body - attended 3 out of 3 meetings  
Number of meetings attended during academic year 2018/2019:  
Governing Body - attended 3 out of 4 meetings  
Number of meetings attended during academic year 2019/2020  
Governing Body - attended 1 out of 4 meetings  
Number of meetings attended during academic year 2020/2021  
Governing Body - attended 0 out of 1 meeting (applicable up to and including 06/10/20)  
Curriculum/whole school responsibilities: not applicable after 06/10/2020

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Name: Gary Wallace  
Date of last appointment: 24/05/2017  
Term of office: 4 years  
Type of Trustee: LMT Trustee (Vice Chair of Trustees, Chair Keeper Governing Body)  
Business/Pecuniary Interests: None  
Governance roles in other educational establishments:  
Member of the following committees: Appointments, Personnel and Salaries, Principal's Appraisal Panel, Finance and General Purposes, Achievement and Progress, Welfare and Support, Admissions  
Number of meetings attended during academic year 2016/2017:  
Governing Body - attended 1 out of 2 meetings  
Finance and General Purposes - attended 1 out of 1 meetings  
Number of meetings attended during academic year 2017/2018:  
Governing Body - attended 2 out of 3 meetings  
Finance and General Purposes - attended 2 out of 2 meetings



Number of meetings attended during academic year 2018/2019:

Governing Body - attended 4 out of 4 meetings

Finance and General Purposes - attended 4 out of 5 meetings

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2019/2020

Governing Body - attended 4 out of 4 meetings

Finance and General Purposes - attended 7 out of 7 meetings

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2020/2021

Governing Body - attended 1 out of 1 meetings

Finance and General Purposes - attended

Curriculum/whole school responsibilities:

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Name: Neil Houghton

Date of last appointment: 19/06/2019

Term of office: 4 years

Type of Trustee: LMT Trustee

Business/Pecuniary Interests: None

Governance roles in other educational establishments: None

Member of the following committees: Discipline and Complaints, Achievement and Progress

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2018/2019:

Governing Body - attended 0 out of 1 meetings

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2019/2020

Governing Body - attended 2 out of 4 meetings

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2020/2021

Governing Body - attended 1 out of 1 meetings

Curriculum/whole school responsibilities: History, Mathematics, Numeracy

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Name: Martin Connor

Date of last appointment: 22/10/2019

Term of office: 4 years

Type of Trustee: LMT Trustee

Business/Pecuniary Interests: None

Governance roles in other educational establishments: None

Member of the following committees: Appointments, Personnel and Salaries, Principal's Appraisal Panel, Achievement and Progress

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2019/2020

Governing Body - attended 4 out of 4 meetings

Number of meetings attended during academic year 2020/2021

Governing Body - attended 1 out of 1 meetings

Curriculum/whole school responsibilities: Teaching and Learning, Literacy, English, Geography

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Name: Mark Atkinson

Date of last appointment: 06/10/2020

Term of office: 4 years

Type of Trustee: Parent Director (LMT Trustee)

Business/Pecuniary Interests: None

Governance roles in other educational establishments: None





Member of the following committees: Welfare and Support  
Number of meetings attended during academic year 2020/2021  
Governing Body - attended  
Curriculum/whole school responsibilities: PE, Enterprise, MFL

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**The following are no longer directors:**

Name: John Fagan  
Type of Trustee/Director: Community Director  
Term of Office: 17/01/2013 to 14/11/2017  
Business/Pecuniary Interests: Manager at Springboard Ltd

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Name: James Terrace King  
Type of Trustee/Director: Staff Director  
Term of Office: 18/03/2015 to 18/10/2016  
Business/Pecuniary Interests: None

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Name: Karina Longford  
Type of Trustee/Director: Parent Director  
Term of Office: 10/02/2016 to 03/10/2016  
Business/Pecuniary Interests: None

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Name: Sandra Wilkinson  
Type of Trustee/Director: Member  
Term of Office: 24/05/17 to 06/09/2017  
Business/Pecuniary Interests: None

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Name: Elaine Cowan  
Type of Trustee/Director: LMT Trustee  
Term of Office: 24/05/2017 to 19/01/2018  
Business/Pecuniary Interests: None

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Name: Andrew Jones  
Type of Trustee/Director: LMT Trustee  
Term of Office: 24/05/2017 to 10/01/2018  
Business/Pecuniary Interests: None

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Name: David Ambridge  
Term of office: 24/05/2017 to 30/04/2018  
Type of Trustee: Staff Director  
Business/Pecuniary Interests: None

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Name: Marie Roe  
Term of office: 30/01/2018 to 16/09/2018  
Type of Trustee: LMT Trustee



Business/Pecuniary Interests: Husband is member of staff at Parkside Academy

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Name: Kathryn Afsahi

Term of Office: 10/02/2016 to 19/09/2018

Type of Trustee: Parent Director

Business/Pecuniary Interests: None

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Name: Stephanie Carter-Smith

Term of office: 21/06/2018 to 27/02/2019

Type of Trustee: Staff Director

Business/Pecuniary Interests: None

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Name: Deborah Garland

Term of office: 19/02/2018 to 14/01/2020

Type of Trustee: LMT Trustee

Business/Pecuniary Interests: None

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Name: Keith Hind

Term of office: 19/06/2019 to 06/10/2020

Type of Trustee: LMT Trustee

Business/Pecuniary Interests: None

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Name: Lee Harnett

Term of office: 25/05/2016 to 13/10/2020

Type of Trustee: LMT Trustee

Business/Pecuniary Interests: Business Owner, Print2GoGo, Houghton-le-Spring, DH4 4AN

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Name: Kenneth Tonge

Date of last appointment: 26/04/2018 to 22/10/19

Term of office: 4 years

Type of Trustee: Community Director / (LMT Member/Chair)

Business/Pecuniary Interests: None

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