

NCEA Duke's Secondary School

Register of interests 2026-2027

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Current governing board

Name and appointment	Confirmed	Interests				
		Organisation	Type of interest	Notes	From	To
Name: Russ Atkinson Appointment: Academy Principal Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: Ex-Officio	<i>Nothing to Declare: 17/09/2026</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Sharon Cole Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 01/09/2026 Term of office end: 31/08/2030 Appointed by: Trust Board	<i>Confirmed: 16/09/2026</i>	NCEA Grace Darling Primary School	Other governance role	Headteacher at NCEA Grace Darling Primary School.	01/01/2022	-
Name: Sharon Foster Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 17/02/2025 Term of office end: 16/02/2029 Appointed by: Trust Board	<i>Nothing to Declare: 19/02/2026</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Name: David Griffith-Owen Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 31/10/2022 Term of office end: 30/10/2026 Appointed by: Trust Board	<i>Nothing to Declare: 15/09/2026</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Sam Lohead Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 01/09/2024 Term of office end: 31/08/2028 Appointed by: Trust Board	<i>Confirmed: 30/09/2026</i>	Church of England/Diocese of Newcastle	Business or finance interests	Priest-in-Charge of the Parish of Seaton Hirst and stipendiary member of clergy, Church of England/Diocese of Newcastle.	22/07/2024	-
Name: Sam Lohead Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 01/09/2024 Term of office end: 31/08/2028 Appointed by: Trust Board	<i>Confirmed: 30/09/2026</i>	Newcastle Diocesan Education Board	Other governance role	Member of the Newcastle Diocesan Education Board, which considers matters relating to church schools across the Diocese of Newcastle.	22/01/2025	-
Name: Sam Lohead Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 01/09/2024 Term of office end: 31/08/2028 Appointed by: Trust Board	<i>Confirmed: 30/09/2026</i>	Joint Education Team (JET LLP)	Other governance role	Member of the Joint Education Team (JET) LLP, which considers matters relating to schools across the Newcastle and Durham Dioceses.	26/03/2025	-
Name: Nicole Lopez Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 01/09/2026 Term of office end: 31/08/2029 Appointed by: Trsut Board	<i>Nothing to Declare: 15/09/2026</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Emma Simm Appointment: Parent governor Term of office start: 17/02/2025 Term of office end: 16/02/2029 Appointed by: Parent Elect	<i>Nothing to Declare: 05/10/2026</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Warick Stephenson Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 30/05/2023 Term of office end: 29/05/2027 Appointed by: Trust Board	<i>Confirmed: 23/09/2026</i>	Northumberland college	Business or finance interests	Employment with Northumberland College.	24/09/2024	31/07/2025
Name: Jason Tasker Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 01/09/2026 Term of office end: 31/08/2030 Appointed by: Trust Board	<i>Confirmed: 10/09/2026</i>	Rachel Lightley	Personal or close family relationship	Sister-in-law is employed as a teacher at - Thomas Bewick Primary School.	-	-
Name: Jason Tasker Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 01/09/2026 Term of office end: 31/08/2030 Appointed by: Trust Board	<i>Confirmed: 10/09/2026</i>	Isaac Tasker	Personal or close family relationship	Child is a pupil at NCEA Duke’s Secondary School (Year 7).Two children are pupils at NCEA Duke’s Secondary School (Years 7 and 10).	05/09/2023	-

Historical positions

		Interests				
Name	Confirmed	Organisation	Type of interest	Notes	From	To
Name: Helen Freeman Appointment: Parent governor Term of office start: 26/09/2022 Term of office end: 25/09/2026 Appointed by: Parent elect Effective removal date: 05/10/2026	<i>Confirmed: 16/09/2026</i>	Dukes Secondary School	Personal or close family relationship	I am a teacher at the school responsible for PSHE and I am the Senior Mental Health Lead. I also have a son in Year 9.	-	-
Name: Martin Preston Appointment: Appointed governor Term of office start: 13/09/2022 Term of office end: 12/09/2026 Appointed by: Trust Board Effective removal date: 12/09/2026	<i>Nothing to Declare: 12/09/2025</i>	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Su Fletcher Appointment: Staff (Teaching) Governor Term of office start: 01/09/2022 Term of office end: 31/08/2026 Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 31/08/2026	<i>Nothing to Declare: 02/09/2025</i>	-	-	-	-	-