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## Meet our Governors

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**Sue Baldock-Grimes**  
Foundation Governor



I qualified as a doctor in 1990 and after a number of years working in hospital medicine in the Midlands and North-West I entered General Practice. I have been a partner in a local practice for 18 years. This position has allowed me to gain an understanding of the local community in Burton. After serving for a number of years as a Governor at a primary school in Derbyshire I took the opportunity to join the Governing Body at Blessed Robert Sutton. I am Link Governor for Science.

I have no financial or business interests that would affect my role as a Governor.

**CHRIS CRITCHLOW**  
Foundation Governor



I qualified as a teacher from Keele University in 1995 and have taught Geography in a variety of school settings nationally. I currently teach up to Advanced Level and I am an examiner for both GCSE, AS and A2 Geography. I am currently the Head of Humanities Faculty at Derby Grammar School and oversee the strategic direction of Geography, History, Philosophy & Ethics as well as Economics. As an outstanding classroom practitioner, I am fully aware of the different learning and teaching styles and give full consideration towards how pupils learn and how am I going to teach them. It is not what pupils learn, but how the message is conveyed in the classroom. As Benjamin Franklin states, "Tell me and I forget, teach me and I remember!" My interests in teaching centre around providing high quality, high impact learning experiences for pupils as well as employing ICT technologies in lessons. I am a keen believer in bringing my subject 'alive' through the use of fieldwork visits to locations such as Iceland, North Yorkshire and London. I am proud to serve as a Foundation Governor at Blessed Robert Sutton Catholic Sports College. As a former pupil of the school it has always been a personal ambition of mine to put something back into the school that inspired me to become a teacher as well as instilling the belief of 'life-long learning'. I am Link Governor for Performing Arts.

I have no financial or business interests that would affect my role as a Governor.

**Jerome Emery**

Chairperson  
Foundation Governor



As a former pupil, as a parent, whose four children all attended the Blessed Robert Sutton School, and as a parishioner at St. Modwen's Church I have had a long association with the school and I firmly believe in the Catholic ethos, values and educational standards to which the school aspires. I am a Chartered engineer by background with experience in project, financial and personnel management. In addition, I have experience of teaching in further education having taught "BTEC" – Engineering subjects at Burton Technical College.

I have always had an interest in our Catholic Schools and as a foundation Governor I am committed to offering my skills in support of the Headteacher and staff as they seek to provide a high quality and rounded educational experience for each of our pupils.

I am Chair of Governors and Link Governor for Religious Education, Catholic life and Pupil Premium.

I have no financial or business interests that would affect my role as a Governor.

**Alison Legg**

Local Authority Governor



I am the local councilor for Stapenhill where I have lived for the past 20 years. Stapenhill is a very beautiful part of east Staffordshire.

I enjoy walking, gardening, up-cycling and being creative watching TV.

I was appointed to the post of Local Authority Governor at Blessed Robert Sutton Catholic Sports College. I am Link Governor for Design & Technology.

I love every minute of every day and have high hopes for the future.

I have no financial or business interests that would affect my role as a Governor.

## **Fr John Paul Leonard**

Foundation Governor



I was born in Middlesbrough and attended the local Roman Catholic Schools. I received a degree in Economics and Accountancy from Newcastle University in 1985. I qualified as a Chartered Accountant with KPMG post university and was accepted by Middlesbrough Diocese to study for the priesthood at the Venerable English College Rome in 1990. I was ordained in 1996 and completed my Licence in Moral Theology from the Alphonsianum Rome in 1997. I returned to Middlesbrough Diocese and worked at the Cathedral, in Youth work and school chaplaincy and hospital chaplaincy. I was Parish Priest at Sacred Heart Middlesbrough and St Clares. I returned to the Venerable English College in 2010 to be the Pastoral Tutor. On returning to England in 2013 I worked in Our Lady of Lourdes Mickleover to be near to my family and became Parish Administrator of Holy Rosary Burton and Ss Peter and Paul Swadlincote. I am interested in sports and reading. My football days are sadly behind me.

I am Link Governor for Geography, History and Psychology.

I have no financial or business interests that would affect my role as a Governor.

## **David Moran**

Foundation Governor



**Governor Type** – Foundation Governor appointed by the Diocese of Nottingham.

**Work/Business** – Supply Chain Manager in the construction industry working for a nationally operating Construction Company, delivering projects in both the public and private/commercial sectors. A significant amount being in the construction of Schools, Academies, Colleges, UTC's & Universities.

**Governor Involvement** – I am Link Governor for PE.

**Personal** – Married with family, parishioner of the St Joseph and Holy Rosary parish. Served as a Governor previously at Holy Rosary School. Enjoy cycling and following all sports including the West Midlands biggest football club. Although also enjoy watching the Brewers locally, who have shown in recent times what a great team spirit and hard work can achieve.

I have no financial or business interests that would affect my role as a Governor.

**Amanda Orchard**

Parent Governor



I am a Parent Governor and have been for the past 12 months. I am a Foster Carer, and have worked in a range of teaching and support roles in both primary and secondary schools, colleges and university. I have also previously been a School Governor at a Burton Primary School. I have also run my own business for a number of years and have a good understanding of finance, personnel and business management.

I am keen to see greater parental engagement with the school and its staff, including participation in events and meetings, as well as ensuring that parents/carers receive information which is timely and relevant to their children's education and future. I am also personally focussed on the Catholic Life of the school, and how we enable young people to engage fully with their faith and see its relevance to their lives now and as contributing citizens of the future. My role as Governor includes being the Link Governor for Art and SAVE. It is a pleasure to be a Governor at Blessed Robert Sutton, and support the dedicated team at the school.

I have no business or financial interests which would affect my role as a Governor.

**Jo Taylor**

Foundation Governor



My name is Jo Taylor. I have been a solicitor locally for over twenty years. My specialty is Children and Family law and most of my work is Care and Adoption proceedings. I am one of only two solicitors in Burton on Trent who are on the Law Society Children Panel and can act for children taking instructions from them directly or from a Guardian appointed by the Court. Through this work I am very aware of the numerous safeguarding issues that may affect our children, and am experienced in talking to children about difficult and emotional issues. I have a ten year old daughter and I am a Governor at her school in our village. In the past I was also a Governor on another primary board of Governors in Burton. I worship at Ss Mary and Modwen in Burton with my family. I am an Honorary alderman in Burton having served as a borough councillor at ESBC for ten years. I was previously Chair of Burton Labour Party, the Heritage Trust and the Citizens Advice Bureau as well as being involved with numerous local community organisations and charities.

I was appointed as a Foundation Governor at Blessed Robert Sutton in 2016 and I am Link Governor for Maths.

I have no financial or business interests that would affect my role as a Governor.

**Anne Ward**

Foundation Governor



I am a Parishioner at St Mary and St Modwen's Church Burton on Trent I have worked in the NHS for over 42 years and for 35 years worked as a Midwife, mainly in Burton. I am now retired. I have been a Foundation Governor since 1993. In the past I was Chair of Governors for 14 years. I am the named Governor for Safeguarding Children and the Link Governor for the SEN Department and English Department. A special interest over the years has been Post 16 Education.

I have no financial or business interests that would affect my role as a Governor.

**Laura Wilson**Subject Leader - Performing Arts  
Staff Governor

I joined Blessed Robert Sutton in 2010 as a Newly Qualified Teacher. After completing a BA in Music and History at Keele University and a PGCE at Manchester Metropolitan University. Within the past 6 years I have been given many opportunities to develop as a teacher and Subject Leader and I wanted to give back to the school by becoming a teacher Governor. Being a Governor has allowed me to be part of committed and diverse Governing Body whose main aim is to support and enhance the learning opportunities for all members of the school community.

I have no financial or business interests that would affect my role as a Governor.