

## Burton Bradstock CE Primary School Local Governing Body Members 2016-7

The members of the Governing Body come from a wide range of backgrounds and have very varied skills and experience – from the world of education and outside. All continue to undergo training, especially in areas of governance in which they have a particular interest. All are linked to particular aspects of the School and monitor progress towards the School's Development Plan. Some, in addition to their role as a governor, give time to the School to provide support for learning.

| <b>Name</b>   | <b>Category</b>                                     | <b>End of term*</b> | <b>Biographical Details</b>  |
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| Julian Piper<br>(Vice Chair and chair of standards working group) | Foundation Governor                                 | 31.10.2017          | Julian has worked in schools and youth work for over 40 years qualifying initially as a chemistry teacher. After a spell as a youth work manager he became a Vice Principal (Community) of one of Leicestershire's 11-18 Community Colleges and then, for 7 years prior to retirement in 2008 worked for an educational charity on a contract to the Department for Children Schools and Families (now DfE) supporting local authorities and schools across the country in implementing the Extended Schools policy. Having previously been a governor of three schools in Leicester at various times, he moved to Burton Bradstock in 2011 and was chair from 2013 to 2016. He completed the NCTL training for chairs in 2014-5. He is a Trustee on the Minerva Learning Trust and is the link for ICT provision. |
| Pat Lewis-Badgett<br>(Chair)                                      | Foundation Governor                                 | 09.08.2015          | Pat has been involved in education for over forty years. She began her career as a chemistry and science teacher, spending the last twenty years as deputy headteacher in a girls' 11-18 comprehensive school in the London Borough of Lambeth. In addition to senior management responsibilities she gained invaluable experience in school governance. After taking early retirement in 2006 she worked as an education consultant, specialising in curriculum reform, assessment for learning and looked after children. She is link governor for SEND, Able & Talented and English.  |
| Vicky Thomas  | Foundation Governor (from 06/10/15)                 | 22.04.2017          | Vicky trained as a teacher (degree in education) and taught in a church school in London for 3½ years. Following that, she was an executive officer in the Civil Service for 2 years. After having children she ran a playgroup, worked in a private nursery and taught children from 3-13 in the independent sector. Her areas of responsibility lay in drama, English and library coordination. Locally she is a volunteer librarian, a lay worship leader and a member of the Burton Bradstock Players. She is the link governor for Sails class and Early Years.   |
| Sarah Horniman  | Local Authority Governor – became co-opted governor | 13.11.2017          | Sarah Horniman worked as a class assistant and a teacher and then trained as an educational psychologist. She has worked as an educational psychologist for about 20 years and currently practices independently. (Educational Psychologists apply knowledge about how children and young people develop and learn and how schools and families work to education.) She became a   |

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|                     |  |            | Local Authority Governor of the School in November 2013 and is a town councillor on Bridport Town Council.   |
| Julia Handyside     | Parent Governor                            | 08.10.2016 | Julia moved from Mallorca in the summer of 2011 with her three children, two of whom attend Burton Bradstock Primary and her eldest who attends secondary school. Having been extremely amazed and grateful for the progress that the girls made, coupled with the fact that she also has an interest in primary education, she volunteered to become a parent Governor in September 2012. She trained as a Nursery Nurse teacher and used the training working all over the world whilst travelling in her younger days. She then worked on Motor Yachts before settling down in Mallorca to be 'a Mum at home' which she still is, here in West Bay! Jules is the joint safeguarding governor and has been trained in this role. |
| Sarah Sewell        | Parent Governor                            | 21.02.2021 | Sarah has been a parent at Burton Bradstock for 4 years and has two daughters in Year 4. Sarah has always been amazed at the number and wide range of activities and opportunities the school manages to offer the children, especially bearing in mind its small size, from music and sport, to day trips and residential stays away from school. Sarah has always been involved in helping at the Friends' fund raising events and is now keen to learn more about the 'behind the scenes' operations and the challenges the school faces. Sarah works full time for Dorset County Council as a Programme Manager and hopes to be able to bring the 'working family' perspective to the Governing Body.                          |
| Sam Van Zyl         | Parent Governor – became co-opted governor | 29.11.2017 | Sam has been a parent at Burton Bradstock for the past 12 years and has a son now at Colfox. Sam has a background in education having taught English and Geography in South African Secondary schools. Sam worked as a Teaching Assistant in a primary school in Beaminster but joined the staff at Burton Bradstock in 2016. She is the joint safeguarding governor and has been trained in this role.  |
| Holly Varndell      | Staff Governor                             | 09.09.2018 | Holly has taught at the School since 2010 and lives in the Bridport area. She joined from St Mary's School in Beaminster and initially taught years 3 and 4 but has more recently moved to teach years 5 and 6. She has completed her middle leadership training and brings to the governing body her understanding of the school environment and especially, IT/computing issues (she is the subject leader), the new curriculum, assessment and target setting. She became staff governor in 2014 and was appointed Language and Communication lead for the Minerva Learning Trust in 2016.  |
| Canon Stephen Batty | Co-opted Governor                          | 06/10/2019 | Stephen has almost twenty-five years of experience of working with schools in Parish settings including experience as a chair of governors. He and his wife Frances have one daughter, Evie, who was educated through the state system and is now pursuing a degree in Fine Art drawing at London's Camberwell School of Art. He had an art training before being formed for ordained ministry in the Church of England and has served as deacon and priest in three communities in  |

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|               |                   |            | Salisbury Diocese. With parish ministry, he integrates his interest in the arts as well as in current affairs and literature.   |
| Ashley Harrow | Co-opted Governor | 31.03.2020 | Ashley has worked in accountancy and finance for more than 25 years and is a Fellow of The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants. After training with Ernst & Young, Ashley held financial management positions with corporations in England and overseas before establishing his own accountancy practice, which focuses on providing services to sole practitioners and small to medium sized businesses. He has a son in Year 1 at Burton Bradstock Primary School and became a member of the school's Finance/Pay and Premises Committee in April 2015. He is the link governor for Maths and serves on the finance working group. |

\* All governors were appointed to a new 4-year term on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016 when the School became part of the Minerva Learning Trust.