

## Trustees of Corvus Education Trust



### **David Jessup - Chair of Trustees**

David is an experienced and successful senior manager responsible for a multi-disciplinary team, his specialisms include: developing teams, budget management, change management, coaching, people-management, dealing with difficult situations, disciplinary processes and business development. He is solution focussed and believes that an organisation's strength lies in its' people and a culture of learning. He has been involved with the governing body in a number of capacities during my time with governing body, including chair, and helped support through the transition to our current Multi-Academy Trust status and he is the Health & Safety lead. He passionately believes in the partnership's plans for the MAT and that our ethos of sharing resources and expertise across our schools has allowed a flourishing environment of collaborative working and this can only grow stronger with more schools as part of the whole. David lives in Long Stratton, his daughter previously attended one of our trust schools and he wishes to see the MAT as a central part of the community in the local area.



### **Chris Nichols - Vice Chair of Trustees**

Christine is MCIPD qualified and works with NORSE a limited company and fast-growing Facilities Management services provider. Before this Christine worked as a Learning and organisational development manager for a local authority. She brings a variety of skills to her role as a governor including project management, budget management and people skills such as coaching and mentoring. In the past Christine has procured and managed the corporate portfolio of development for all employees from induction and where necessary supporting them to moving on. She has both private and public sector experience working in the health sector in a management and leadership development role before moving into local government working alongside the HR team supporting people development and associated projects. Her motivation for being involved in the school is, she believes, in education and lifelong learning and wherever she can be of help and support in this area she will make herself available.



**Alison Randall (Finance Director)**

Alison is Head of School Finance, Leadership & Governance Services for Norfolk County Council: Educator Solutions. She is a member of the following professional bodies:

Member of Chartered Institute of Public Finance & Accountancy (CIPFA)

Fellow Member of the Association of Accounting Technicians (FMAAT)

Chartered Manager (ChM)

Member of the Chartered Management Institute (MCMI)

Her experience as an Academy Trustee include:

Diversa Education Trust

Diversa Trading Ltd

Evolution Academy Trust

The Engage Trust

Her other Trustee roles include:

Trustee & Hon Treasurer: The Yorke Trust (Music Education Charity)

Trustee & Hon Treasurer; SAW Trust

(Science/Art/Writing Educational Charity)

Chair & Trustee: Poringland Fuel Allotment Charity

Hon. Treasurer & Member: PCC of St Andrew's

Church, Framingham Earl

Her experiences as a governor have included:

Framingham Earl High School (Community Governor)

Brooke VC Primary School (Co-opted Governor)

Seething & Mundham Primary School (LA Governor)

Old Catton & White Woman Lane Federation

(Foundation Governor)

Nebula Partnership of 6 schools (LA Governor)



**Jim Adams**

Jim has successfully worked in education for 23 years, 16 of those in senior leadership. He began his career in a large secondary school in North London where he eventually became Head of Sixth Form. He has experience of working in schools and Trusts in a variety of contexts, rural and urban, from early years to post 16. His first position as Headteacher was with Litcham School, a rural all-through (EYFS-16) school. Following that, Jim was appointed as Headteacher of Hobart High School in South Norfolk. He is currently CEO of Clarion Academy Trust, a family of one primary and two secondary schools. Jim is also Chair of Educate Norfolk, the professional association for Norfolk Headteachers.



**Alex Lightbown- Trust Lead**

Alex is CEO/Trust Lead for Corvus Education Trust. She has been Headteacher at Manor Field Infant School since 2001 and Headteacher of Aslacton Primary school since 2010. Watton Westfield Infant and Nursery came under the Corvus umbrella on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2017 as a sponsored school and has made significant improvements. Before this Alex worked in the independent sector, was a Reception class teacher in a maintained school and Headteacher at Saxlingham Nethergate Primary School for 5 years. She has been a member of the Executive Committee for The Cambridge Partnership- ITT providers. Alex has for many years been a Consultant Headteacher supporting other schools and was a Change Leader for VNET. She is also a Headteacher mentor for Educate Norfolk. Alex has successfully developed the existing strong links between our trust schools and has the ability and drive to develop the Multi-Academy Trust further.