



APHS Local Advisory Board

David Riddle, Chair – Chair David is a former local authority Chief Executive, and a practising solicitor. His leadership experience includes large scale organisational change, cost reduction programmes, organisational strategy, and performance management in local authorities and in the Metropolitan Police Authority. His legal experience includes public law, human rights, and professional regulatory law. David has extensive non-executive governance experience as chair of the national governance board of the Ministry of Defence Police, chair of a NHS Primary Care Trust, and as a Governor of an NHS Hospital Trust. Email: driddle39r9@nsix.org.uk

Patricia Lankester, Vice Chair – Vice Chair Patricia was Head of Humanities in two North London comprehensive schools and then taught in a community college in the USA. She was Head of Education for the National Trust and then Director of the Paul Hamlyn grant making Foundation. She is a former trustee of various cultural organisations including the Heritage Lottery Fund, the Tate, the National Gallery, the Sage Music Centre in Gateshead and a member of the Royal Shakespeare Company Learning Panel. She is a current trustee of the Chelsea Physic Garden and the Holburne Museum in Bath, and a founder member of the Cultural Learning Alliance which works to ensure continuing access to culture for all children and young people in the current climate.

Matt Hardman, Principal - Matt was appointed as Principal in September 2022 having previously served 7 years as Vice Principal/Associate Headteacher at APHS. Matt is passionate about school leadership and raising standards of education for young people. Having previously achieved the National Professional Qualification for Headteachers, Matt also holds a Master's Degree in Educational Leadership and Management, a Level 7 apprenticeship in Senior Leadership and is a fellow of the Chartered Management Institute. He is a member of the Norfolk Headteachers Executive Group and Trustee of Wells United Charities.

Stephen Humphries - Steve has previous experience as a school governor, in two primary schools. He is a scientist who worked in industry for most of his career, specialising in agronomy. He was involved with research and standards setting at national and European levels. Steve has a keen interest in science education. Steve lives in Wells Next the Sea, where he is involved on the Wells Carnival Committee which is a central part of Wells' community life.

Sally Garrett - Sally is an experienced and effective Head Teacher. She has recently retired as Head Teacher at The Ashley School Academy Trust, Lowestoft, Suffolk. A special school for 140 pupils with MLD/Complex needs, many with associated disabilities such as autism, speech language & communication disorders and SEMH needs. The school has residential facilities and a highly effective and respected outreach service supporting mainstream schools. This is her third headship totalling over 22



years as a senior leader within the specialist sector. During her time as Headteacher, Sally has achieved continuous improvement and ensured that every pupil achieves their very best outcomes. Sally works as an National Leader of Education (NLE) within Suffolk and Norfolk, is a Senior Partner within Challenge Partners, a member of SSAT (The Schools Network) and works collaboratively with 'World Class Schools'. Sally lives locally, just outside APHS catchment.

Erika Sperry – Erika is a staff governor in her capacity as Pastoral Manager and a Safeguarding Lead for APHS. Erika was a volunteer in scouting for the 25 years and group scout Leader at Holt for 8. Passionate about young people and the difficulties they can face, particularly overcoming barriers and hurdles along the way.

Vicky Etheridge - Vicky is a parent governor with two children at APHS. Vicky currently manages the Business Improvement District in King's Lynn and has held a wide variety of management roles in the public and charitable sectors, covering a range of different issues including European policy and funding, nature conservation, regeneration and community development, and public health. Vicky has been a Governor at Norfolk primary and nursery since 2007, and Chair since 2015. Vicky is also a Director of Neutral Futures, a CIC set up to encourage investment in carbon sequester schemes such as mini-forests, re-wilding and the restoration of natural habitats.

Kirsty Kerr - Kirsty is a parent governor with one child at APHS who has previous Governor experience in a Primary School. She works in Human Resources and therefore has experience in creating and implementing effective business processes supporting the development of values and ethos, and managing issues regarding personnel. Graduating in 2018 with a first class BA Honours degree in Early Childhood Professional Studies Kirsty is determined to help change the lives of young people growing up in challenging circumstances. She has previously worked as a primary school teaching assistant for a number of years with a focus on supporting pupils with special educational needs. She is youth mental health first aid trained, as well as being Lego therapy trained and has a passion for raising awareness of mental health and well-being through the use of blog writing and poetry.

Graham Jones - Graham is a designer and creative director of a brand company in London. He is married to Karen, and together they have a teenage son, Henry. Having lived in London for 30 years, Graham has also lived in Wells for 15 years. He moved here permanently over 3 years ago,

Graham was brought up in Wales, moving to London to study at Central St. Martins. From there he worked in design studios in London and Amsterdam before beginning his career in brand at the renowned brand agency Wolff Olins.

Graham is a co-founder of 'Venturethree', employing over 50 people in a studio in Chelsea which has been going for over 20 years. They work primarily in the Technology, Entertainment and Retail sectors

Graham is currently lead governor on the school's work tackling boys' disadvantages.