SSET Trustees Register

Areas of Expertise

Name	Summary of Expertise	Areas of Assistance	Committee/Workgroup
Jeremy Morris (Chair)	Independent consultant specialising in Business Resilience & Continuity, Information Security, IT Governance and Risk Management. Worked with major UK utilities, financial and manufacturing industries, Government and private sector clients. Eldest son is a day student at Sheiling College. Vice-chair of Governors at Beaucroft School.	Governance and Risk Controls, IT and Business Resilience, Security (information and physical), Data Protection, Compliance.	H&S Workgroup Parent Group Representative
Kathleen Desmond	Geography graduate. After graduating contracted by North West Water Authority to produce research document on the recreational uses of waterways in the region. 35 years in retailing, having run her own business in partnership with her husband for the past 28 years. Based on the Isle of Man-primary business in Dorset. Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society. Committee Member of 'Autism in Mann' for several years. Kathleen has two sons - the younger is a student at Sheiling College.	Assistance with personnel issues. Understanding of staff and parental concerns. Strengths lie with face-to-face communication and the ability to listen. General common sense business acumen.	Parent Group Representative
Peter Edwards (Vice Chair)	Retired architect, planner and property director with 35 years' experience in New Towns, Urban Development Corporations and the water industry. Extensive experience of strategic and development planning, building design and implementation and of property management/maintenance. Involved in the development of new schools including 2 City Technology Colleges. Formerly Governor and Chair of Kingston Maurward College and currently Governor of the Dorset Studio School.	Property strategies, appointment of consultants, project management of building projects, including tendering and site operations. Governance in further education, strategic and business planning, budgeting and financial control.	Development Planning Group

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Jon Freeman	35 years in large corporations as an applications architect, IT director, programme manager, change manager and consultant. Subsequent expertise in values-based change, leadership coaching, training and spiritual intelligence systems. Author of books on the science of spirituality, human relationships with finance and conscious parenting. Based in Dorset and self-employed with a wide portfolio of activities. Managed Waldorf-based upper-school project. Involved with Sheiling School since 2004.	General organisational understanding. Support of values-based approaches (ethos). Commercial and business acumen.	Leadership - Performance Management Review
Sue Gething	A retired Head with more than 30 years' experience in various senior management positions in day and residential special schools. Currently works part-time as an independent specialist consultant to school leadership teams, undertakes locum management roles and evaluation audits and is also an Independent Person for residential special schools. Living in East Hampshire, Sue also has an embryonic genealogy business. Particularly interested in school improvement and development.	Education leadership and management, readiness for Ofsted, management of performance, training, school improvement planning.	
Neil Johnson	Qualified accountant with more than 20 years' experience working in senior finance roles of SMEs and charitable organisations. Sector experience includes retail, manufacturing and engineering. Significant systems implementation experience as well as the traditional Finance Director functions and responsibilities.	Financial and business strategies and modelling; financial controls, procedures and processes. Financial reporting	Finance Committee

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Julian Pyzer	Degree in biochemistry. 21 years in Steiner-based care, training and education organisations; 6 in Camphill (3 of those at The Sheiling Ringwood) and 15 at the Ofsted Outstanding graded Ruskin Mill College. Experience ranges from working as a new coworker to being Registered Manager and part of the Senior Management Team. 20 years working in bio-dynamic farming and gardening, partly in conjunction with care work. Julian has four grown up children and lives in Gloucestershire.	Integrating conventional and Steiner- based approaches Care and education management Environmental and land use issues Facilitation and supervision skills Proof reading and copy editing	Safeguarding Committee (incl. Behaviour and Medical) Equality, Diversity & Inclusion Workgroup
Maggi Rigg	A retired Head and Group Principal responsible for the management of seven residential special schools for students with ASD. Over 35 years' experience of ASD and school leadership working in LAs, charity sector and the independent sector. Currently a member of the expert reference group of the Autism Education Trust.	Education leadership, standards and management. School promotion and PR. Working with parents.	Marketing Workgroup Leadership - Performance Management Review
Catharine Symington	30 years in marketing, business development and corporate strategy in the engineering and infrastructure industry. Also responsible for developing and implementing corporate communications including website, brochures, capability statements, client consultation and stakeholder engagement strategies. Currently director of a project management consultancy in London. Catharine lives in Wiltshire and has three sons.	Assistance with marketing the school and college, raising their profile, helping to identify possible sources of funding/donations from industry as part of their Corporate Social Responsibility agenda.	Marketing Workgroup