

As well as the Principal of the School, the following people are Governors at Penistone Grammar School.

Eugene Gallagher

Eugene was co-opted as a Governor in September 2015 and prior to that had been a Parent Governor since 2012. Eugene held the role of Vice-Chair of Governors from 2012 until July 2017 when he took over as Chair. Eugene has a wealth of experience working for national and international organisations at a senior level prior to a career change. Eugene has now become a fully qualified psychotherapist and splits his time between his private practice and working for a leading national charity. Eugene lives in Silkstone. His two sons attended Penistone Grammar and his daughter currently attends the school.

Josie Whiteley

Josie was appointed as a Local Authority Governor in June 2015. She took over as Vice-Chair of Governors in July 2017 and is also responsible for Governor Training and Development. Josie is an Educational Consultant with experience of interim management in FE Colleges. She was previously the Director of Arts at Barnsley College and led her Faculty to an Ofsted outstanding grade. She is currently President of the Association of Managers in Education which is formerly ATL's Leadership section and is now part of the new National Education Union. She also created and runs Barnsley-based EnRich Charity. Josie lives in Mapplewell.

David O'Hara

David was co-opted as a Governor in September 2015. Prior to that he was an elected parent governor and was Chair of the Governing Body until July 2017. He is a Chartered Accountant who spent most of his working life in the manufacturing sector. In 2017 he started to train as a secondary school teacher. David is a National Leader of Governance, he lives in Oxspring and his children all attended Penistone Grammar.

Paul Rowlands

Paul has been an elected parent governor since 2010 and has been the Chair/lead governor for Learning and Teaching since 2012. He works for the NHS as a Consultant Psychiatrist and is involved in the training of junior doctors across Yorkshire as Head of the School of Psychiatry. Paul lives in Oxspring and both his children have attended Penistone Grammar.

Louise Hughes

Louise has been a co-opted governor since July 2013 and she has also been a co-opted governor at Springvale primary school since 2007. She currently has responsibility for HR. Louise worked in the manufacturing industry as an HR professional for 13 years. She is involved in support and voluntary work for various organisations including a domestic abuse charity. Louise lives in Penistone and her two children who attend Penistone Grammar.

Dean Howford

Dean was co-opted as a Governor in September 2016. His particular area of responsibility is Safeguarding. He is a Chartered Accountant who has over 20 years' experience working in the Financial Services industry. He lives in Oxspring and his children all attend Penistone Grammar.

Andy Smeaton

Andy was elected as a parent governor in February 2014. He has been a secondary school teacher for over 20 years and is currently an Assistant Headteacher at an all-through school in West Yorkshire. He lives in Penistone and both his children attend Penistone Grammar.

John Rowe

John was co-opted as a Governor in September 2016. His particular area of responsibility is Health and Safety. He has worked for the HSE since 1999 and prior to that worked in the oil and gas industry. John lives in Penistone and his son currently attends Penistone Grammar.

Amanda Neeve

Amanda is the staff governor and has 8 years' experience as a governor in two different schools. Amanda is in her 20th year of teaching, six of which have been at Penistone Grammar School as Lead Teacher of Mathematics and Initial Teacher Training Co-ordinator. Amanda's son attends Penistone Grammar.

Roy Garratt

Roy was elected as a parent governor in 2016. He is a Systems and Network Manager for a multi-site 5-form entry primary school in Manchester. His particular area of responsibility in his Governor role is ICT.

Roy has been a Computer Engineer since 2001 prior to which he served in the Armed Forces for 12 years. Roy lives in Penistone with his wife Vikky who is a Headteacher in a Sheffield school. His stepson currently attends Penistone Grammar.