



Morecambe Bay
Academy

Morecambe Bay Academy Academy Improvement Board



Phillip Bell – Chair of the AIB

Mr Bell was appointed to the Board in May 2019 by The Bay Learning Trust and was the Chair of Governors for Morecambe Community High School before the conversion to an Academy. Mr Bell is also a Governor at Lancaster Road Primary school in Morecambe. Mr Bell has no other Business or Financial interests with the school.



Heather McClurg

Mrs McClurg was appointed to the Board in December 2020. Mrs McClurg joined the school in September 2016 and was appointed as Principal in January 2020. Mrs McClurg has no other Business or Financial Interests with the school.



Andrew McKinnell

Andrew McKinnell is the Chief Operating Officer/ Chief Finance Officer for the Bay Learning Trust. Andrew was appointed by the Trust in 2016 and has worked as a Senior Leader in schools since 2003. Andrew joined the AIB in November 2021.



Mark Williams

A former headteacher, HMI and Chief Education Officer with the Co-op Academies Trust, Mark now works as an Education Consultant and School Improvement Partner with a number of multi academy trusts and a local authority. He is passionate about all pupils, regardless of background, getting a great deal so they achieve well in their personal development as well as academically. Throughout his career, Mark has worked successfully with schools and academies developing internal capacity through developing leadership, reviews, strengthening accountability, performance management and governor development.



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Lindsay Newby

I joined the governing Board as parent governor in November 2017. I have two daughters who both attend MBA, one in year 10, and the other in year 12. I have worked in higher education at Lancaster University for the past 20 years in my role as administrator of a national PhD taught course centre. Mrs Newby was appointed to the Board in May 2019 by The Bay Learning Trust. Mrs Newby has no other Business or Financial interests with the school.



Gavin Gomersall

Mr Gomersall is Director of Operations at Ripley St Thomas Church of England Academy and was appointed to the Board in May 2019 by The Bay Learning Trust. Mr Gomersall is a Governor at Scotforth St Paul's CE Primary and Nursery School.



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Alison Halhead

My name is Alison Halhead and I work at Morecambe Bay Academy as a teacher of History. I have been a teacher of History at the school since 2001 and so I have seen lots of changes and developments. I have undertaken several roles in school, from being a Faculty Director of Humanities to a Pastoral Leader, and currently I am the Early Career Teacher co-ordinator. This school is fantastic. It is and has been a privilege to teach the students, both past and present.

Mr R Gittins resigned from the board on 2nd December 2020

Mrs L Winston resigned from the board on 6th June 2021