

**COTTENHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY**  
**PUBLICATION OF GOVERNORS' DETAILS AND REGISTER OF INTERESTS 2025-26**

**CURRENT GOVERNORS**

Full Name	Category of Governor	Appointing Body (in accordance with the Instrument of Government)	Date of Initial Appointment	Current Term of Office	Committees Governor Serves On	Positions of Responsibility	Relevant Business/Pecuniary Interests	Governance roles in any other educational establishments	Relationship between Governors and members of the school staff (including spouses, partners or relatives)
James Kilsby	Head Teacher	Ex-officio	16/04/2007	n/a	Standards, Finance, Personnel, Premises	Headteacher, CPS	None	None	None
Ian Barker	Co-opted	Governing Body	26/01/2026	26/01/2026 – 25/01/2030	Finance		None	None	None
Lynda Davies	Co-opted	Governing Body	17/05/2021	17/05/2025 – 16/04/2029	Premises, Personnel	Chair of Personnel & Premises committees	None	None	None
Leonie Meyer	Co-opted	Governing Body	26/11/2024	26/11/2024 – 25/11/2028	Standards, Personnel	-	None	None	None
Jess Scott	Co-opted	Governing Body	19/9/16	14/9/24 – 13/9/28	Standards, Finance, Personnel, Premises	Deputy Headteacher, CPS	None	None	None
Andrew Simmonds	Co-opted	Governing Body	26/01/2026	26/01/2026 – 25/01/2030	Personnel, Premises				
Martina Turner	Co-opted	Governing Body	19/9/16	14/9/24 – 13/9/28	Finance, Personnel, Premises	CPS Business manager	None	None	None
Lee Welham	Co-opted	Governing Body	9/12/2015	9/12/2023 – 8/12/2027	Finance	Chair of Finance Committee	None	Cottenham Village College	None
Alexandra Addyman	Parent	Election	22/11/22	22/11/22 – 21/11/26	Standards	Vice-Chair of GB	None	None	None
Martin Brammah	Parent	Election	22/11/22	22/11/22 – 21/11/26	Personnel, Premises		None	None	None
Nicholas Palmer	Parent	Election	22/11/22	22/11/22 – 21/11/26	Finance, Standards	Chair of Standards Committee, Assessment link governor	Ashtons Legal, Partner	None	None
Cara Stratford	Parent	GB in absence of candidates	Appt in progress	April 2026			Cambridgeshire County Council, Senior Specialist	None	None

							Teacher – SEND services		
Jennifer Turley	Parent	GB in absence of candidates	Appt in progress	April 2026			Waiting for info	Waiting for info	Waiting for info
Fran Halls	Staff	Election	14/11/16	14/11/24 – 13/11/28	Premises	-	None	None	None
Simon Gibbons	LA	Governing Body	14/11/16	14/11/24 – 13/11/28	Standards, Finance	Chair of GB	None	None	None

#### PREVIOUS GOVERNORS (SERVED AT ANY POINT OVER THE PAST 12 MONTHS)

Full Name	Category of Governor	Appointing Body (in accordance with the Instrument of Government)	Date of Initial Appointment	Date Stepped Down	Committees Governor Serves On	Positions of Responsibility	Relevant Business/Pecuniary Interests	Governance roles in any other educational establishments	Relationship between Governors and members of the school staff (including spouses, partners or relatives)
Kate Redman	Co-opted	Governing Body	13/09/2021	12/09/2025	Personnel, Premises	-	None	None	None
Lettie Buxton	Parent	GB in absence of candidates	7/12/23	7/01/2026	Standards	Link governor for vulnerable/disadvantaged children	Chesterton Community College – Assistant Headteacher	None	None
Ruth Fairbairn	Parent	GB in absence of candidates	21/11/23	16/03/2026	Personnel	Child Protection & Safeguarding Link	None	None	None

#### POINT OF CONTACT FOR GOVERNING BODY

<b>Name of Clerk</b>	Beth Stevens
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## **Structure of the Governing Body**

The school is a community school and it reconstituted in line with statutory guidelines on 1 December 2017.

On 14 May 2026 there are 13 appointed governors, 2 new parent governors currently undergoing pre-appointment checks and one vacancy (parent governor):

- 1 x Head Teacher
- 7 x Co-opted governors (of which 2 are members of staff)
- 5 x Elected parent governors
- 1 x Elected staff governor.
- 1 x LA governor

The term of office of all governors (other than the headteacher) is four years

This instrument of government came into effect on 1 December 2017.

The Governing Body has established committees to which it delegates day to day responsibility for the oversight of various aspects of the running of the school: the Standards committee, the Finance committee, the Personnel committee and the Premises committee. The Terms of Reference for the committees which detail their remits and also the Standing Orders and Code of Practice for the Governing Body can be found on the school website.

**COTTENHAM PRIMARY SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY  
ATTENDANCE RECORD AT GOVERNING BODY AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2025–26**

Full Name	Category of Governor	FULL GOVERNING BODY MEETINGS					
		15 September 2025	25 November 2025	26 January 2026	16 March 2026	27 April 2026	22 June 2026
James Kilsby	Head Teacher	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Ian Barker	Co-opted	n/a	n/a	n/a	✓	✓	
Lynda Davies	Co-opted	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	
Leonie Meyer	Co-opted	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Jess Scott / Rebecca Cole	Co-opted	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Andrew Simmonds	Co-opted	n/a	n/a	n/a	✓	✓	
Martina Turner	Co-opted	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Lee Welham	Co-opted	A	A	A	A	✓	
Alexandra Addyman	Parent	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Martin Brammah	Parent	✓	✓	✓	✓	A	
Lettie Buxton	Parent	A	✓	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Ruth Fairbairn	Parent	✓	✓	✓	A	n/a	
Nicholas Palmer	Parent	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Cara Stratford	Parent (appointment in progress)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Jennifer Turley	Parent (appointment in progress)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Fran Halls	Staff	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Simon Gibbons	LA	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	

**Attendance key:**

✓ = Attended

A = Absent with the consent of the governing body (apologies accepted)

F = Failed to attend or Absent without the consent of the governing body

n/a = no longer a member of governing body (or wasn't a member when the meeting occurred)

No meeting: meeting did not take place; necessary items discussed by email.



Full Name	Category of Governor	PERSONNEL COMMITTEE MEETINGS					
		3 October 2025	5 December 2025	16 January 2026	6 March 2026	17 April 2026	12 June 2026
James Kilsby	Head Teacher	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Lynda Davies	Co-opted	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Andrew Simmonds	Co-opted	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	✓	
Martina Turner	Co-opted	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Jess Scott	Co-opted	✓	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Martin Brammah	Parent	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	
Ruth Fairbairn	Parent	✓	✓	A	A	n/a	
Leonie Meyer	Parent	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	

Full Name	Category of Governor	PREMISES COMMITTEE MEETINGS					
		3 October 2025	5 December 2025	16 January 2026	6 March 2026	17 April 2026	12 June 2026
James Kilsby	Head Teacher	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Lynda Davies	Co-opted	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Martina Turner	Co-opted	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Jess Scott	Co-opted	✓	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	
Andrew Simmons	Co-opted	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	✓	
Martin Brammah	Parent	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	
Fran Halls	Staff	A	A	A	A	✓	

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