

Montsaye Academy Local Governing Body Member Profiles - September 2022

<p>Robyn Allen Chair of Governors Community</p>	<p>Robyn runs a Rothwell based insurance brokerage that specialises in providing personal protection advice. Robyn started the firm in 2016 and has well over a decade of Financial Services experience under her belt. Being a firm believer in giving back to the local community in Northamptonshire, Robyn regularly volunteers with a variety of groups but mostly supporting young adults, especially encouraging any budding entrepreneurs. She is also the President of the Northamptonshire Chamber of Commerce & Milton Keynes Chamber of Commerce. Robyn has lived in Rothwell for more than 20 years and is an ex-pupil of Montsaye Academy. She has always believed in the school, and its values, and is passionate about helping the school and students.</p>
<p>Andrew Laughton Vice Chair Community Governor</p>	<p>Andrew Laughton is a former student of Montsaye and went on to study Metallurgy at the University of Surrey in Guildford. Andrew's professional career has been in the toy industry for the last 30 years. Andrew is retired and was UK Managing Director of MGA Entertainment. Andrew was also Chairman of the British Toy & Hobby Association and trustee of The Toy Trust and Fence Club, both of which aim to raise money for, and to support underprivileged children. Andrew is married with two grown up children and lives in Kettering.</p>
<p>Isaac Hartley Community Governor</p>	<p>Isaac Hartley is a qualified accountant, and has been working in the telecommunications industry for over 18 years where he has gained significant experienced in financial governance reporting as prescribed by IAS and IFRS principles, and achieved significant stakeholders' engagement across depth of processes and transformation programmes both to maximise shareholders value, and also to enhance efficiency gains and effectiveness within industry. Over the past couple of years, he has transitioned from industry into the civil services where he is leveraging his skills. He plans to use his extensive experience to support Montsaye board to enhance the environment where pupils are studying.</p>
<p>Ryan Thompson Community Governor</p>	<p>Ryan Thompson has much previous experience as a governor, having held a place on Havelock's governing body for 7 years. In this post, he held various positions, including Vice Chair and Chair of Finance Committee. He is looking forward to having the opportunity to support and challenge the school to aid Montsaye in its continued improvement.</p>
<p>Meena Gabbi Principal</p>	<p>Mrs Gabbi started her teaching career in Coventry as an English teacher and this then quickly developed and she moved to a head of department and then onto a senior leadership team. She has a range of school improvement experience and has worked on a number of city wide initiatives including functional skills and working as part of a collaborative headteachers groups on pupil premium strategy and also in the formation of Early Help hubs in the north of Coventry. Mrs Gabbi has been in education for over 20 years and has an overwhelming passion for improving the life chances of young people. She is committed to ensuring that the children at Montsaye have a good quality of education and leave the academy with the best start in life.</p>

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<p>Shaun Barker Parent Governor</p>	<p>Shaun Barker describes it as a 'privilege' to have joined the Montsaye Board of Governors as a Parent Governor. He is married to Colette with 1 child, Tom, who started Year 7 at Montsaye Academy Sept 2021. This is Shaun's first role as a school governor and he is looking forward to the challenge of continuing the great work which has already helped Montsaye Academy progress in recent years. As a Parent Governor he hopes to make a positive contribution to the team helping to hold stake holders to account and work towards continuous development throughout all aspects of the Academy. In his spare time, he enjoys all sports, mainly watching now and walking his dog Olive.</p>
<p>Tim Shea Staff Governor</p>	<p>Tim Shea heads the drama department at Montsaye, where he has been teaching for nearly 5 years. He has previously been on his children's primary school governing body, supporting its leadership team to move the school from Requires Improvement to Good. He gained experience there of being Vice Chair and Chair of the Learning and Achievement committee. Having seen Montsaye's journey from Special Measures to Good, he is keen to be part of the new governing team that moves the school onwards as it faces new challenges including the new Ofsted framework amidst political uncertainty.</p>