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Kevin McDonnell	Headteacher	n/a	n/a	Resources Committee, Teaching and Learning Committee	None
					
Bernard Hawes	Co-opted Governor since Sept. 2015	Governing Body	November 2023	Chairperson of Governing Body and Resources Committee, Performance Reviews, Teaching and Learning Committee	None
	<p>Bernard has been at Stormont House School for over 25 years and has experienced many changes including the change to a purely secondary provision, the building of the new school under BSF, and the appointment of many senior members of staff. As Chair of Governors for most of that time he has been part of the team that has seen the school achieve 4 outstanding Ofsteds. He currently chairs the Resources Committee (Finance, Human Resources and Premises) and is also a member of the Teaching and Learning Committee. As a trustee of the Kench Hill Charity, he is an avid supporter of the Hackney residential centre located in Tenterden, Kent and all that offers and gives to the inner-city children of Hackney. Having served on the Hackney Schools Forum for several years and other Governor and Head Teacher groups within Hackney Education, he has a wide understanding of school governance and the role and responsibilities of a Governing Body.</p> <p>After a long career in Finance, he now enjoys a busy life supporting local charities, participating in outdoor activities and enjoying many grandparent responsibilities. He continues to be passionate in ensuring Stormont House School continues to provide “Achievement for all in a unique world-class school” and is committed to ensuring all pupils achieve at the highest levels.</p>				
Beatrice Andrews	LA Governor	Governing Body	March 2023	Resources Committee	None
	<p>Beatrice joined Stormont House as a governor in 2018 and is now vice-chair. She is currently a senior civil servant in the Department for Levelling Up, Housing and Communities, where she is responsible for delivering a range of capital funding programmes that are central to the government's 'levelling up' agenda. Previously in government she established the UK Policy Lab, then in the Cabinet Office, bringing citizens' voices directly into policy making. Beatrice led a team of designers, data scientists and ethnographic researchers working on some of the toughest policy challenges in government and establishing a global reputation for their innovative work. Beatrice is passionate about Stormont House and the transformative role it plays in so many young people's lives. She is a Hackney resident who loves the borough's parks and green spaces, especially the River Lea where she is frequently to be found running, cycling with her family, or just hanging out and looking at the boats.</p>				

Dorothy Hodgson	Co-Opted Governor since March 2019	Governing Body	July 2026	Teaching and Learning Committee	None
	<p>Dot Hodgson works at the Greater London Authority as Principal Policy and Projects Officer in the Children and Young Londoners Team. She manages large scale grant funding programmes for young people most in need of support and advises on policy priorities for young Londoners. Prior to this she worked in Hackney for 8 years as a project manager, teacher and mentor at Inspire, an education charity based in Dalston. This included leading the Additional Needs Team, which specialised in supporting children with special educational needs in colleges, schools, pupil referral units and alternative provisions across East London. Dot delivered mentoring projects at Stormont House and worked with young people at the school over a number of years during her time at Inspire. Dot is a qualified secondary school English teacher and an enthusiastic mentor to young people. She has lived in Hackney all her life and loves swimming in London Fields Lido.</p>				
Claire Napier	Staff Governor since March 2018	Staff at SHS	August 2023	Resources Committee	Employed at SHS
					
Katie Foster	Observer Governor Deputy Headteacher	No voting rights			Employed at SHS
					

Chris Coyle	Observer Governor Business Manager	No voting rights			Employed at SHS
					
Sandra Collier	Observer Governor Deputy Headteacher	No voting rights			Employed at SHS
					
Fiona Crossland	Observer Governor Deputy Headteacher	No voting rights			Employed at SHS
					

Rhiannon Eglin	Co-Opted Governor since October 2020	Governing Body	October 2024	Chairperson of Teaching and Learning Committee	Employed at Hackney Education
	Rhiannon has been a Governor at Stormont House for a year. She is a qualified SENCo (Special Educational Needs Co-Ordinator) and has been teaching young people with additional needs in East London Schools for 12 years. She works as a Specialist Teacher for the Inclusion Team at Hackney Education. In this role, Rhiannon offers advice, guidance and training on inclusion to schools. She is involved in the development of a new project Education Youth Inclusion Team (EYIT) which will help champion inclusion in Hackney's schools. Rhiannon is very committed to making sure all young people have a positive, enjoyable and inclusive educational experience. In addition, she is a keen Musician and in her spare time she runs music and film events for the community. Rhiannon will take over the role of Chair of the Teaching and Learning Committee in 2021.				
Dayo Okewale	Observer Governor since December 2020	Governing Body	November 2024	Teaching and Learning Committee	None
	Dayo Okewale is a recently appointed Governor. He is an internationally recognized leader, equal justice advocate, public speaker, and entrepreneur, who leverages the influence of government and business to combat some of the world's greatest social issues. Dayo currently works as a chief of staff in the House of Lords (UK government), providing political, diplomatic, and strategic insight to Crossbench Peers. As such, Dayo uses his life and professional experiences, and unique perspective to add irrefutable value to the House. Additionally, Dayo is co-chair of Equal Justice for NEXUS Global. NEXUS is a global community founded to bridge communities of wealth, philanthropy, and social entrepreneurship. With over 5000 Members from 70 countries, they work to unite next generation families, UHNW individuals, philanthropists, young investors, social entrepreneurs, and allies to catalyse new leadership and accelerate needed political, societal, indigenous, financial, environmental, and equal justice solutions. Dayo is also part of the UNESCO Human Rights Global Integration forum alumni and leadership programme, having served on the UNESCO board and having published articles on human rights, sports for development and eradicating poverty. Dayo Okewale founded Who's Got Game Sport in 2008, a not-for-profit organisation which specialises in using sport as a tool to create young global leaders and empower young people to develop employability and business enterprise skills. As a former professional basketball player, Dayo believes sport is an underused medium for teaching and instilling life and social skills, and he is passionate about promoting the use of sport as a tool for education and change.				
Nicola Pizzolato	Co-Opted Governor Since June 2021	Governing Body	June 2025	Resources Committee	Investor in Teavaro nd Good Empire (tech companies)
	Nico is currently the Director of Doctoral Programmes at Middlesex University's Business School and has worked for the past 25 years in higher education institutions in the UK and abroad. He is an educator and a researcher passionate about the positive impact that students can make on society. Over the years, Nico has been involved in a number of projects related to the digital transformation of education (in particular learning technologies) and business (in particular advertising technology).				

Alan Roddie	Parent Governor since March 2022	Governing Body		Resources Committee	None
	<p>Alan has worked in business management, IT and IT management/project management roles for twenty-eight years. He is very committed in assisting and enhancing the systems/processes within the school which will ultimately improve the day-to-day operational aspects of the school for staff and students. He enjoys walking, cycling, reading, theatre and listening to music in his spare time.</p>				