I have been a Parent Governor for the Federation of Longhorsley St Helen's and Whalton C of E First Schools since 2009 and am currently in a second term in the role that will run until 2017. My children attended Longhorsley St Helen's School, and benefitted from, and enjoyed, their years there, although are now both in Middle School at Morpeth.

Since my time on the Governing Body I have been involved in the implementation of the Hard Federation between Longhorsley and Whalton schools, had a role on the former Standards, Curriculum and Policy Committee, was involved in the selection and recruitment of the new Headteacher and am currently a member of the Safeguarding, Resources and Finance Committee.

At Longhorsley School I have helped with the establishment of the school garden, and assist both the Early Years and main school with gardening projects through the year. I have previously helped organise football tournaments at Longhorsley and also taken teams to competitions at nearby schools. For a number of years I was also involved with the school PTA.

Away from the schools, I am Chair of the Longhorsley Juniors Football Club and coach the U12 Team, and help at the village Youth Café.