

Local Governing Body

The Catholic Academies in Romero Catholic Academy Trust are under the Romero Trust of the Diocese of Salford. They are founded by and are part of the Catholic Church and seek at all times to be a witness to Jesus Christ.

As the Local Governing Body of a Catholic school within the Romero Trust, the overarching responsibility lies in ensuring that the school is conducted in accordance with its Catholic character at all times, and this overriding duty permeates the work of the Local Governing Body.

The Local Governing Body of a Catholic school within the Romero Trust should ensure that the curriculum of the school, is taught in the light of the Gospel values and actively promotes the spiritual and moral development of the pupils.

Foundation Governors have special responsibility for the religious education curriculum and have a duty to ensure that it is taught in accordance with the Curriculum Directory and the Bishop's policy.

The three core functions of the Local Governing Body are:

1. Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction in line with the Romero Trust Vision and Values;
2. Holding the Headteacher to account for the educational performance of the School and its pupils, and for the internal organisation, management and control of the School, including performance management of staff; and
3. In line with the Romero Trust Scheme of Delegation, the overseeing of the financial performance of the School and making sure its money is well spent.

Membership

The Local Governing Board shall consist of eight members of which there shall be

- One staff
- Two elected parents
- Five Foundation (including the Headteacher)

The term of office of local governors is four years.

St Mary Magdalene's Roman Catholic Primary School, Burnley				
<u>Name</u>	<u>Appointed by</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Business or Pecuniary Interests</u>
Bridget Loughran	Appointed by foundation/Trust (Headteacher)	01.05.2022		None
VACANCY	Appointed by foundation/Trust			
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Rachel Thompson	Appointed by foundation/Trust	22.11.2022	21.11.2026	
Fr Joseph Ojelabi	Ex-officio Foundation Governor	01.05.2024	30.04.2028	
Emma Peno	Elected by School Staff	01.09.2024		
Janine Philp	Elected by Parents	01.05.2022	30.04.2026	Children are pupils at the school
Sarah Kerr	Elected by Parents	28.06.2022	27.06.2026	Children are pupils at the school

Jane Durkin (Chair)	Appointed by foundation/Trust	01.05.2022	30.04.2026	Resigned 08/09/23
Jackie Graham	Elected by Staff	01.05.2022	30.04.2026	Resigned 31/08/24
Philip Glass (Chair)	Appointed by foundation/Trust	01.05.2022	30.04.2026	Resigned 31/08/24

Chair of Governors: Ms Janine Philp (jphilp@st-marymagdalenesrc.lancs.sch.uk)

Trust Governance Professional: Ms Helen Whitaker (hwhitaker@romerocat.com)

Governors Attendance at Meetings 2023/24

St Mary Magdalene's Roman Catholic Primary School, Burnley	Percentage of Meetings Attended	Local Governing Body Meeting					
		Name	20.09.23	29.11.23	31.01.24	20.03.24	15.05.24
Bridget Loughran	67%	Attended	Attended	Apologies	Apologies	Attended	Attended
Philip Glass (Chair)	83%	Apologies	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended
Rachel Thompson	100%	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended
Father Allan Swift	100%	Attended					
Father Joseph	100%						Attended
Jackie Graham	100%	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended
Janine Philp	100%	Attended (Chaired)	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended
Sarah Kerr	100%	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended	Attended

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