

Messenger Education Trust

Register of interests

Current Trust board

Name and appointment	Confirmed	Interests				
		Organisation	Type of interest	Notes	From	To
Name: Bethan Cullen Appointment: Director Term of office start: 16/09/2024 Term of office end: 15/09/2028 Appointed by: DBE	Confirmed: 01/10/2026	Institute of School Business Leadership (ISBL)	Business or finance interests	Deputy CEO of ISBL - professional body support school business professionals in schools and trusts in the UK.	13/09/2010	-
Name: Bethan Cullen Appointment: Director Term of office start: 16/09/2024 Term of office end: 15/09/2028 Appointed by: DBE	Confirmed: 01/10/2026	ISBL Trading Ltd	Business or finance interests	Director of this Trading Arm	11/12/2017	-
Name: Bethan Cullen Appointment: Director Term of office start: 16/09/2024 Term of office end: 15/09/2028 Appointed by: DBE	Confirmed: 01/10/2026	Bilton Community Federation	Chair of Governors	I am the chair of a federation of three schools in warwickshire: Bilton C of E Junior School Bilton Infant School Bawnmore Community Infant School I have been in this role since April 2020, which has been advised to the Board and there have been no further changes to advise.	01/04/2020	31/08/2024

Name: Helen Gibson - Coventry Appointment: Director Term of office start: 06/02/2024 Term of office end: 05/02/2028 Appointed by: DBE	<i>Confirmed:</i> 01/10/2026	Coventry Diocesan Board of Education	Other governance role	I am Governance Officer for Coventry DBE	01/02/2018	-
Name: Anna Naish Appointment: Director Term of office start: 17/04/2024 Term of office end: 16/04/2028 Appointed by: DBE	<i>Confirmed:</i> 01/10/2026	Diocese of Coventry (DBF)	Business or finance interests	I am employed by the DBF. Previously as a Learning mentor and currently as the Lay learning and training lead.	01/01/2018	-
Name: Anna Naish Appointment: Director Term of office start: 17/04/2024 Term of office end: 16/04/2028 Appointed by: DBE	<i>Confirmed:</i> 01/10/2026	Harris School	Personal or close family relationship	My husband is a governor at Harris CofE Academy, Rugby.	01/05/2019	-
Name: Anna Naish Appointment: Director Term of office start: 17/04/2024 Term of office end: 16/04/2028 Appointed by: DBE	<i>Confirmed:</i> 01/10/2026	St. Oswald's Church, Rugby	PCC	I am a member of the PCC for a church in the local area.	29/05/2026	-
Name: Georgina Newton Appointment: Director Term of office start: 25/09/2023 Term of office end: 24/09/2027 Appointed by: -	<i>Confirmed:</i> 05/10/2026	Coventry Diocesan Board of Education (DBE)	Other governance role	In my role as Deputy Director at the DBE I am requested to sit as the DBE Corporate Member on the Board of Members of the CofE MATs within the Diocese. These are: Arden Forest MAT, Stour Federation MAT, Fosse MAT, Inspire MAT, Diocese of Coventry MAT, Messenger AT	01/09/2026	-

Name: Georgina Newton Appointment: Director Term of office start: 25/09/2023 Term of office end: 24/09/2027 Appointed by: -	<i>Confirmed:</i> 05/10/2026	Schoolgenie	Training organisation	-	01/09/2021	31/07/2023
Name: Georgina Newton Appointment: Director Term of office start: 25/09/2023 Term of office end: 24/09/2027 Appointed by: -	<i>Confirmed:</i> 05/10/2026	Association of Education Commissioners	Trustee of the Board	-	01/09/2018	21/10/2024
Name: Georgina Newton Appointment: Director Term of office start: 25/09/2023 Term of office end: 24/09/2027 Appointed by: -	<i>Confirmed:</i> 05/10/2026	Coventry Diocesan Board of Education	Employment	I am the Deputy Director of Education (0.6fte)	01/09/2024	31/12/2026
Name: Georgina Newton Appointment: Director Term of office start: 25/09/2023 Term of office end: 24/09/2027 Appointed by: -	<i>Confirmed:</i> 05/10/2026	Bilton Evangelical Church (BEC)	Other governance role	I am one of 5 Church Leaders (Elders) at BEC with spiritual and strategic oversight of the church.	31/12/2023	31/12/2028
Name: Andrew Taylor Appointment: CEO Term of office start: 01/09/2018 Term of office end: - Appointed by: -	<i>Confirmed:</i> 02/10/2026	Diocese of Coventry Multi Academy Trust	Business or finance interests	Seconded to role as Head of Transformation and Growth 0.6FTE	01/09/2026	-
Name: Andrew Taylor Appointment: CEO Term of office start: 01/09/2018 Term of office end: - Appointed by: -	<i>Confirmed:</i> 02/10/2026	Coventry City Council	Employment	Carer	13/10/2022	-

Name: Andrew Taylor Appointment: CEO Term of office start: 01/09/2018 Term of office end: - Appointed by: -	Confirmed: 02/10/2026	Aldermoor Farm Primary School	Other governance role	School Governor	20/06/2019	01/10/2021
Name: Andrew Taylor Appointment: CEO Term of office start: 01/09/2018 Term of office end: - Appointed by: -	Confirmed: 02/10/2026	Transforming Lives Educational Trust	Employment	Seconded to work as Executive Principal (Primary)	11/11/2025	31/08/2026
Name: Linda Wainscot Appointment: Director Term of office start: 02/02/2023 Term of office end: 01/02/2027 Appointed by: Diocese of Coventry Board of Education	Confirmed: 04/10/2026	Christ Church	Other governance role	Anglican Church in Rugby - I am a Church Warden	07/05/2023	-

Other positions

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Name: Sophie Clarke Appointment: Other Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: -	Nothing to Declare: 07/12/2025	-	-	-	-	-

Name: Ian Anderson Appointment: Other Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: -		Grand Union Partnership Multi Academy Trust	Employment	01/09/2020
Name: Sharon Mortimer Appointment: Clerk Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: WCC	<i>Nothing to Declare:</i> 08/09/2025	-	-	-

Historical positions

Interests						
Name	Confirmed	Organisation	Type of interest	Notes	From	To
Name: Pam Wattam Appointment: Clerk Term of office start: - Term of office end: - Appointed by: - Effective removal date: 13/07/2026	<i>Nothing to Declare:</i> 04/09/2024	-	-	-	-	-
Name: Steve Gold Appointment: Director Term of office start: 01/09/2022 Term of office end: 31/08/2026 Appointed by: Members Effective removal date: 01/05/2026	<i>Confirmed:</i> 22/10/2025	Coventry Diocesan Board of Education	Spouse is Director of Coventry DBE	As part of this role, my spouse is member of a number of Diocesan MATs across Coventry & Warwickshire	-	-

Name: Steve Gold Appointment: Director Term of office start: 01/09/2022 Term of office end: 31/08/2026 Appointed by: Members Effective removal date: 01/05/2026	<i>Confirmed:</i> 22/10/2025	Coventry Diocesan Board of Trustees	Other governance role	15/02/2022	-
Name: Steve Gold Appointment: Director Term of office start: 01/09/2022 Term of office end: 31/08/2026 Appointed by: Members Effective removal date: 01/05/2026	<i>Confirmed:</i> 22/10/2025	PCC of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St John the Baptist Hillmorton	Other governance role	01/07/2015	-
Name: Steve Gold Appointment: Director Term of office start: 01/09/2022 Term of office end: 31/08/2026 Appointed by: Members Effective removal date: 01/05/2026	<i>Confirmed:</i> 22/10/2025	Hillmorton Charities for the Poor	Other governance role	11/06/2018	-