

Governor Introduction

Les Bullock



My name is Les Bullock, and I have had the honour this year to have been elected as Chairman of Norton Canes High School Governing Body. This follows a number of years as Vice-Chairman, and serving for over 20 years as a Governor.

I am a L.A. governor, which means that I have been appointed by the Local Education Authority (Staffordshire County Council) originally through Heath Hayes & Wimblebury Parish Council.

I live in Heath Hayes, and both of my sons, who are now in their 30s, were pupils at N.C.H.S. In that time I have seen many changes, not least that Ms. Birchall is the third Head Teacher that I have served with.

As the Chairman of Governors it is my responsibility to oversee the functioning of the Governing Body, to ensure that scrutinizing the running of the school and staff is carried out as thoroughly as possible, to make sure that the school is offering the best education that it can. The Governing Body is also responsible, with the assistance of a Bursar (Business Manager) for overseeing the finances allocated to run the school. This financial allocation not only includes pay for staff, provision of books and materials including IT, and payment for gas electricity etc., but also looking after the buildings and property of the school. Many of the scrutiny functions are carried out by sub-committees such as Curriculum & School Improvement, Facilities & Wellbeing, Finance, Data Monitoring, and Behaviour, amongst others.

I hope that this has given you an insight to what is involved with being a school governor, and if you feel that you would maybe like to join us please get in touch through the school office, or directly to myself (see contact details below).

If anyone has a question that they feel has not been resolved through firstly contacting the Head Teacher or other members of staff, please feel free to contact me at lesbullock@msn.com or through the school office.