

Register of Business Interest 2026/27 - The Ongar Academy

Name	Role	Appointing Body	Start of Term of Office	End of Term of Office	Relevant Business Interests that could present a conflict of interest (including whether a governor at another school)	Personal relationship (if any) with a member of school staff e.g. Spouse, partner, relative
Jonathan Sands	Headteacher/Head of School	Ex-Officio by Virtue of office as Headteacher	15/04/2024	N/A	Chair of Governors: St Peters Primary School	None
Brian Payne	Governor on a school LGC (non elected, co opted and parent)	Appointed by Foundation/Trust	01/10/2025	30/09/2029	Company Director at Making a Difference Community Interest Company Governor at another school within the trust	Mrs Margaret Payne
Hannah MacLennan	Governor on a school LGC (non elected, co opted and parent)	Appointed by GB/Board	13/02/2025	12/02/2029	Crownlands Garage - Bookkeeping/Office Admin	None
David Sykes	Governor on a school LGC (non elected, co opted and parent)	Appointed by GB/Board	09/11/2024	08/11/2028	Nil	Spouse – BAT Employee
Jason Gunn	Governor on a school LGC (non elected, co opted and parent)	Appointed by GB/Board	25/06/2025	24/06/2029	Trustee – Mahadevi Yoga Centre Town Councillor for Ongar Public Governor for Essex Partnership Trust	None
Dai Bourton	Staff governor on a school LGC	Elected by school staff	26/11/2024	25/11/2028	Treasurer for NEU District South Essex	None

Resignations in the last 12 months:

Graeme Read – 18/09/26

