



Governor Information for the Website

1. Basic Information (Including that of Associate members)

Name	Gill Szokalo
Category of Governor	LA
Term of Office	4 years
Body that appoints them	Governing Body
Specific responsibilities e.g. Chair / Vice / Safeguarding Governor	
Voting Rights	Yes

2. Pen Portrait

Governor Pen Portrait
<p>Background:</p> <p>I have been a governor at Castle Wood School, formerly Deedmore School since 2001. I joined the governing body as a parent governor because my son had started at nursery at Deedmore and I wanted to support the school. Over the years I have been the Chair of Governors and continued as a Local Authority governor when my son left Castle Wood. I'm immensely grateful and thankful for all the support, opportunities and the first class education the school has given my son and all its pupils.</p>
<p>Relevant experience</p> <p>I have worked in education for the last 15 years, initially tutoring adults with literacy and numeracy difficulties. I have worked in a mainstream secondary school as the Inclusion Manager and I now work in a special secondary school. I am very passionate about special educational needs as my life has been enriched by working with some amazing children and being blessed with three children of my own, two of which have autism.</p>
<p>All about me</p> <p>I am a busy mother of three and work full time. In my spare time, I enjoy working at beer festivals; real ale is another passion of mine.</p>

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