

OLoL Board of Directors

As at 22.5.2019

Mr Kenneth Martin Daly - Chair

Ken has been involved in Catholic education in the Diocese of Nottingham for over 40 years, first of all as a teacher then subsequently head of sixth form, Deputy Headteacher and Headteacher of All Saints' School, Mansfield. He also spent a year at Champagnat College (a Marist Brothers School) in Wangaratta, Australia. Following his retirement from teaching in April 2008, he has worked as a consultant to the NRCDES, primarily involved with funding for building works but also supporting governors with senior appointments and other issues. He was a foundation governor of St Patrick's primary school, Mansfield for over 20 years (including 10 years as Chair) and after stepping down from that role, he has been a Director of St Augustine's Academy, Nottingham and since September 2014, was Chair of the South Nottingham Catholic Academy Trust.

In his various roles, he has gathered considerable experience of HR, finance and legal issues as well as deepening his understanding of the importance of Catholic education in every phase. The thesis for his MED course was 'The Challenge of Leadership in a Catholic School' and the research for this work added to his knowledge and appreciation of all who work in our schools whatever their role. His message to staff as Headteacher was that everyone in the school community is just as important as everyone else, even if their role is perceived as being more important; therefore, we should see Christ in others and be Christ to others in all that we do.

Ken is an active member of St Patrick's Parish in Mansfield.

Reverend Michael Joseph O'Donoghue

Fr Michael was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Nottingham on 14 June 1970. Since then, he has held a number of diocesan appointments including being Director of the Briars in addition to many parish roles. He has been parish priest at Holy Trinity, Newark since 2008.

The experience of 48 years in various capacities in the diocese during a time of many changes in the educational and other landscapes has not dulled his appetite for supporting Catholic education. Fr Michael believes that our school system is still our finest arm of mission. Being Chair of Governors in a number of schools and a foundation governor for the past 27 years has given him an insight into the complexities of staffing, caring for pupils and their families, thus ensuring that the Catholic ethos is strengthened within the curriculum of our schools.

Mr Timothy James Harding

Formerly Associate Professor of Management Development at Cranfield University, in 1993 Tim set up his own management consulting practice in organisation change, structural efficiency and people development. He semi-retired in 2012, having worked in over 40 countries and consulted to many national, international and multi-national companies. Since 2012, he has been engaged in voluntary work, directing the Chesterfield branch of the Samaritans, running a small family charity supporting children's homes in India and working with a major Christian charity in India, where he has sought to develop a Christ-centred organisation and leadership team.

Ms Susan Elizabeth Dryden

Employed since 1978 by the NHS, Sue has undertaken a variety of roles specialising in Children's Services, from leading and managing a children's ward in a rural Kenyan hospital to current role as Maternity and Children Network Manager and Lead Nurse, East Midlands Strategic Clinical Network and Senate (NHS England).

Sue is actively involved with the participation of children and young people in the Prime Minister's Commission on the Future of Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting, ensuring that the children and young people's views were considered in the final report. She is also a Vice Chair at the Rainbows Children's Hospice.

Mrs Susan Munro

Originally from Newcastle, Susan and has been a parishioner of the Holy Spirit Church in West Bridgford since 1991. She is a management consultant who has held executive and director positions within the procurement profession within the education, transport and emergency services sector. She is currently a Project Director with the Department for Education, and prior to that was Head of Procurement for Babcock International Group, responsible for the replacement of assets for London Fire Brigade. Susan is married with two children.

Mr Nigel Stevenson CPFA

Born in Nottingham, since 1989 Nigel has spent his professional accountancy career with Nottinghamshire County Council. Since 2014, he has been Chief Finance Officer with the statutory responsibility for the overall financial administration of the Council and the Nottinghamshire Local Government Pension Scheme. His experience includes finance, risk and insurance, investments, treasury management, performance management and the management of transformation programmes. In addition to being a Director for Via (East Midlands) Ltd, he is also treasurer to a local scout group. More importantly, his lovely son enjoys attending the Good Shepherd primary school in Nottingham.

Mr Les Sullivan

Les was educated at St Vincent de Paul RC School in Liverpool. Upon leaving there, he went to Queen Alexandra College in Birmingham before attending Aston University. Following his degree in mechanical engineering, he started working for BAE Systems in Manchester in their Research and Development department.

He moved to Nottingham in the late 1970s following a company restructure. In 1991, he joined RBS as a Business Banker where he concluded his working life in 2012. He has been a foundation governor at The Becket School for 19 years, the last 3 as Chair.