OLoL Director Pen Portraits – as at Sept 2023

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 the Chief Finance Officer with the statutory responsibility for the overall financial administration of the Council and the Nottinghamshire LGPS. He also sits on a number of national bodies providing advice on local government finance. Though the covid-19 pandemic, Nigel chaired the financial resilience group of local council chief finance officers, including city and district/borough councils, coordinating the delivery of continuing local government services, supporting residents and the delivery of substantial government support to citizens and local businesses.

Nigel's successes include the establishment of a local mortgage scheme in Nottinghamshire, the implementation significant change management programmes, the creation of the Nottinghamshire Business Rates Pool and the creation of an FCA authorised company for the management of the pooled investments for 8 pension funds.

His experience includes finance, risk and insurance, investments, treasury management, Information Technology and the management of performance and transformation.

Nigel joined the Board of Directors as the OLOL CMAT was created and has been Chair of the Board since July 2021. Being a Ukrainian Greek Catholic, Nigel attends Our Lady of the Holy Patronage & St Albans Ukrainian Catholic Church, Nottingham. He also attends the Church of the Good Shepherd, Woodthorpe.

Sue Dryden

During her working life Sue had extensive senior experience in children and young people's health services with a proven record of successful leadership at service and strategic level. She had experience of influencing the development and implementation of policy at local and national level with the Department of Health, the Department for Education and the Royal College of Nursing.

Sue remains passionate about the health and well-being of children, young people and families and this is reflected in her non-executive roles at charities working in health and education.

Following her work overseas Sue is actively involved in her parish Cafod group.

Sue has strong family connections with the catholic schools in Nottinghamshire with her daughters being the latest attendees at the Becket School and she has chaired the PTA at both St Edmund Campion and The Becket.

Fr John Kyne

Fr John is a native of Mansfield and was appointed parish priest in his home church of St Philip Neri in May 2017, the church in which he was baptized and ordained. Immediately prior to studying for the priesthood, he worked as a Regional Organiser for one of Britain's largest trade unions, the GMB, and also served in his hometown as a member of Mansfield District Council. He has served in the Diocese in a number of capacities including the post of Diocesan Coordinator of School Chaplaincy. In this role he supported and promoted school chaplaincy throughout the Diocese. He has more than thirty years' experience of school governance and has chaired governing bodies at both primary and secondary level. He is a former director of the NRCDES.

Ann Neale MA

Ann has been involved in Catholic Education in Nottinghamshire for over forty years. Spending forty-two years at All Saints' School in Mansfield; first as a teacher then as a Head of Year and as a Professional Tutor working with Teaching and Learning, Gifted and Talented students, Trainee teachers, newly qualified teachers and staff mentoring.

In addition, Ann has been a staff governor at All Saints' as well as a foundation governor at St Joseph's Primary School in Shirebrook where, as Chair for nine years, she helped to take the school from "satisfactory" when she began to Outstanding by the time she had to step down. She then worked as a governor in St Joseph's Primary School in Boughton before being asked first to act as one of our Members and then as a Foundation Director for the Our Lady of Lourdes Trust. Ann's roles as both a teacher and a governor have given her a great deal of insight into collaboration in schools and her MA dissertation was on "The impact of a soft federation on a school".

As Ann reduced her teaching commitment, and eventually retired in 2019, she began to volunteer with CAFOD in the Diocese visiting schools throughout the diocese from Crowle and Cleethorpes in the north to Stamford and Loughborough in the south, Boston on the east and Burton-upon-Trent in the west.

Ann is a very active member of her parish and the diocese, helping to run many courses in scripture and spirituality as well being an active Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion and is now the Nottinghamshire Secretary; actively arranging the annual Renewal Days and will be helping to organise the Commissioning Day. Ann is also a catechist in her parish being involved in children's liturgy, First Holy Communion, Confirmation and RCIA programmes.

Ann is also Chair of her Local Patient Participation Group leading meetings and helping to arrange events.

Linda Heaver

I am married with two children and five grandsons. For the last 36 years I have been an active member of Saints Peter and Paul's church in Lincoln, where I am an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist.

From 2000 - 2011 I was headteacher at St Mary's Catholic Primary school in Grantham and since my retirement I have been Chair of Governors at Lincoln Minster school. From 2011 until recently, I was a trustee for United Learning, a national multi academy trust with over 70 schools, both independent and academies.

In 2020 I was elected Chair of the Saint Therese of Lisieux CMAT. I hope to use this position to get to know all the headteachers and LGB Chairs to inform and improve our Trust.

My hobbies include walking, reading and cooking.

Graham Green

I retired from working as the Finance Director of a local manufacturing business in 2017.

I had previously worked as an Accountant in Practice in Grimsby and Hull before moving into industry.

I am married with one grown up son, who lives in France

I am the Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Catenian Bursary Fund, a Charity supporting Catholic Youth, and I am involved in my local Parish

I am a keen sports follower, and have links to a number of local sports clubs, who I have been involved with over many years.

I currently Chair the Finance Committee of the Trust as well as being a Foundation Director

Gerard Cadwallader

I taught for over 30 years at St Bede's in Scunthorpe reaching the post of Senior Assistant Headteacher. I am educated to Masters degree and I have the NPQH. I was the school lead for major rebuilding work, for academy conversion and redrafting pay and performance guidelines. I have been Curriculum Manager, Data Manager and Timetabler and I have experience of pastoral and welfare work. I have served on two governing bodies. I am widowed and I retired six years ago and I have 3 married children and 5 grandchildren.

Jennifer Johnson BA(Hons) MSc Chartered FCIPD PCEd Cert Ed

I am a relatively new member of the STL CMAT Board and I live in Lincoln.

I am originally from Doncaster where I attended the Convent Collegiate school from age 4 to 18. I then moved away and lived in a variety of places in the UK finally moving to Hong Kong where we lived for II years. We returned to UK in 1989 and settled in Lincoln.

I had a variety of employment when moving around and having children. Once settled in Lincoln I moved into education. I taught at Lincoln College for a number of years and developed and ran the professional courses in Human Resource Management. In 2004 I moved to the University of Lincoln working in the Business School. I again ran a range of Postgraduate courses. I left the University in 2013 and went to teach at a University in China for 2 years. I returned to the UK in 2015 and returned to China again in 2019 as a Foreign Expert. Now I have stopped globetrotting I am happy to get involved with the CMAT. I do not bring experience of the school sector but I have significant experience in teaching in the higher education sector.