

**ST GILBERT'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL - PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION FEBRUARY 2020
CANDIDATE ELECTION STATEMENTS**

1. **PETER HARVEY.** I'm a self-employed Financial Trader, previously working in Property Development as a qualified Chartered Surveyor. Both of these roles have required a comprehensive understanding of financial and risk management.

I have 2 children, Isabel in her first year at St Gilberts and Joseph is 2. We also have a 3rd due in April 2020.

I believe I have the skills to engage thoughtfully and intelligently with any issues currently facing the school and help maintain the clarity of vision and exceptional ethos I've come to appreciate as a parent.

I would be committed to giving the necessary time to effectively fulfil the role and would certainly be willing to undertake any training required in order that I may contribute as fully as possible.

How do you intend to contribute to the school's strategic priorities and contribute to the future work of the Governing Board? With Isobel in Caterpillar class and my 3rd child due in a few weeks I have a long term commitment to the welfare of the school and in seeing St Gilbert's thrive. I would appreciate the chance to support, challenge and encourage the school as a critical friend and see it continue to flourish for both current pupils and staff and in its place in the local community.

By drawing on my own experiences of education and life beyond I would welcome the opportunity to work with the existing Governors and the Head Teacher to implement the school's strategic plan and contribute to the decision making to ensure it is in the best interest of the school and the wider community.

I fully recognise that the role of a Governing Board is to govern and not manage. I feel I would be able to work well with the existing Governors, the school and Diocese to ensure all the required policies in relation to Teaching and Learning, Safeguarding, Curriculum Development and Continuous Professional Development amongst others are in place and being followed.

Through my past career as a Chartered Surveyor and Financial Trader my skills will I hope be able to assist Governors in overseeing the financial performance of the school and ensuring its enduring success and financial strength.

2. **EMILY PAYNE.** I have lived locally to the school for 16 years, and my eldest child is in Foundation.

I work for a utility company and I am responsible for delivering a large programme of work including installation of assets and environmental improvements. From this I have skills to bring to the Governing Board. I have experience of recruitment, procurement, assessing tenders and team management including managing consultants and contractors. I am also responsible for health and safety (including CDM) and budget planning and tracking.

How do you intend to contribute to the school's strategic priorities and contribute to the future work of the Governing Board? I am committed to maintaining school standards as I believe that every child needs the best experience of school in order to thrive and succeed.

I want to support the school to ensure that every child gets the best possible education.

I fully support the school vision, values and strategic priorities. I can commit my free time to this position as much as possible.