

**Ad Astra Academy Trust**  
**Members & Trustees Register of Business Interests 2024-25**



Name	Member	Trustee	Staff	Directorships, partnerships, employments with businesses	Trusteeships / Governorships at other educational institutions and charities	Involvement in official capacity with outside organisation	Immediate family business interests	Related to Member of staff of Ad Astra AT
Chris Simmons	✓			Nil	<p>Chair of Trustees, Hartlepool Borough Council's Preston, Simpson &amp; Sterndale Young Musicians' Trust (providing financial scholarships to young musicians in Hartlepool to support their music education) since 10 May 2009.</p> <p>Treasurer, West View Advice &amp; Resource Centre (financial community organisation operating in the West View area of Hartlepool) since 10 May 2009.</p> <p>Vice Chair, West View Project (youth club</p>	Nil	Nil	N/A

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					and community organisation operating in the West View area of Hartlepool) since 10 May 2009.			
Greg Baldwin	✓			Employee, Johnson Matthey Plc. (chemical manufacturing company) since 8 August 1992.	Nil	Nil	Nil	N/A
Kathe Flounders	✓			Director, Safeguarding Practitioners Ltd. (safeguarding consultancy) since 4 December 2014.  Director, Northeast Law Centre (legal firm) since 30 June 2024.		Nil	Nil	N/A

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Laura Ashurst	✓				Patron, Trinity Holistic Centre at The James Cook University Hospital (complementary therapies for cancer patients) since 23 January 2020.	Nil	Nil	N/A
Andrew Brown (OBE)		✓	✓	Nil	Trustee, Darlington FC Foundation since 1 January 2019.	Nil	Nil	N/A
Craig Malarkey		✓		Partner/Employee, Swinburne Maddison LLP (law firm) since 1 December 2021.	Nil	Nil	Nil	N/A
David New (Chair of Resources Committee)		✓		Nil	Trustee, Horizons Specialist Academy Trust (education provider) since 1 September 2021.	Nil	Nil	N/A

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Emma Robins		✓		Headteacher, New Silksworth Infant and Junior Academies, part of Extol Multi-Academy Trust (education provider) since 17 September 2021.	Trustee, Caring Matters Now (a charitable organisation) since 8 October 2023.	Nil	Nil	N/A
Joanne Dobson		✓		Director, JLD Healthcare Consultancy (healthcare management consultancy) since 20 September 2023.	Nil	Nil	Nil	N/A
Mark Tilling (Vice-Chair of Trust Board and Chair of Resources Committee)		✓		Headteacher (& Ex-officio Governor) at High Tunstall College of Science, Hartlepool since 1 September 2010.	Chair of Governors, Federation of Lynnfield & Golden Flatts Primary Schools, Hartlepool since 12 September	Nil	Nil	N/A

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					<p>2023.</p> <p>Chair of Trustees, Hartlepool United Sport in the Community Foundation since 10 September 2012.</p> <p>Member of Management Committee, Horizon School Pupil Referral Unit since 14 July 2024.</p> <p>Trustee, Hartlepool Borough Council's Preston, Simpson &amp; Sterndale Young</p>			

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					<p>Musicians' Trust (providing financial scholarships to young musicians in Hartlepool to support their music education) since 1 January 2013.</p> <p>Trustee, Tees Valley Collaborative Trust since 22 September 2023.</p>			
Richenda Broad (Chair)		✓		Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	N/A

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<b>Historic (left within the last 12 months)</b>								
Andrew Steel	✓			Nil	Changing Futures Northeast – Board Member	Nil	Nil	N/A
John Maddison		✓		Non-Executive Director at Tees, Esk and Wear Valley NHS Foundation Trust (provider of healthcare) since 1 January 2020.				Yes – cousin to the wife of Mr. A. Brown, CEO.