

## Pele Trust Business and Pecuniary Interests - Updated June 2026

Members			
Name	Role	Appointment Date	Business and Pecuniary Interests
Gerald Miller	Member	4 June 2018	None
Liane Atkin	Member	1 February 2019	Assistant Director of Education - working for both the Newcastle Diocesan Education Board and the Durham Diocesan Board of Education. Chief Operating Officer - Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Learning Trust
Gary Holmes	Member	1 February 2019	Vice Chair of Governors - UTC South Durham Member - Newcastle Diocesan Education Board Member - Newcastle Diocesan Synod & Bishop's Council
The Rt Revd Mark Wroe, Bishop of Berwick	Member	22 January 2021	Trustee - Newcastle Diocesan Education Board Trustee - Newcastle Diocesan Board of Finance Director - Together Newcastle Director - Just Finance Foundation Member - NEAT Academy Trust Member - Cheviot Learning Trust Trustee - North East Churches Acting Together Trustee - Charity of Bishop Chandler Member - Durham and Newcastle Diocesan Learning Trust Trustee - Newcastle Diocesan Society
Jim Balkwill	Member	27 January 2026	None

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Directors			
Name	Role	Appointment Date	Pecuniary Interests
Gerald Miller	Chair of Board of Directors	4 June 2018	None
Ross Golightly	Director	4 June 2018	Director - Sport Works (SW) Health and Wellbeing CIC Partner - GC Property Director - Sphera Consulting Ltd Non Executive Director - Trend Bible Ltd
Rishi Kohli	Director	4 June 2018	Director - Cornel Ventures Ltd LLP Member - Sweeney Miller LLP
Marian Stromsoy	Director	4 June 2018	None
Angi Gibson	Director	22 January 2021	Headteacher - Hadrian Park Primary School President - NAHT
Laura Joicey	Director	19 October 2020	Director - LJ CFO Services Ltd
Katherine Gianfreda	Director	6 February 2024	Governor - Newcastle School for Girls
Peter DeWesselow	Director	6 February 2024	LLP Designated Member Belsay Estate
Julia Hodgkinson	Director	23 September 2024	None

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Officers			
Name	Role	Appointment Date	Pecuniary Interests
Kieran McGrane	CEO/Accounting Officer	1 February 2019	Family connection to Leading Learning Ltd - provider of school improvement services at John Spence High School
Lynn Blain	Deputy CEO	1 February 2019	None
Claire Leightley	COO/CFO	1 February 2019	None
Jo Suddes	School Improvement Lead	1 January 2025	None
Katie Spurr	Deputy CEO	1 September 2024	None

Former Members/Directors			
Name	Role	Term Dates	Pecuniary Interests
Rob Kitching	Director	6 February 2024 - 2 June 2026	None
Maureen Bates	Member	1 February 2019 - 21 July 2025	Director - Ashfield Estates Ltd
Hugh Clear Hill	Director	4 June 2018 - 25 January 2024	Board Member - UK River Restoration Centre
James McGowan	Director	22 January 2021 - 19 July 2024	Vicar of Fenham and Chaplain to the Dame Allan's Schools. Governor - The Thomas Walling Primary Academy Director - Newcastle Diocesan EducationBoard