

Potties Educational Trust (PET)

Register of Interests – updated 30 November 2025

Summary of Interests Declared (individual returns kept by Clerk to the Trustees)

Name	Nature of Interest	Comments
Professor Martin Jones Member & Trustee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vice-Chancellor and CEO University of Staffordshire • Director Staffordshire University MAT • Director Staffordshire University Services Limited (from 1 January 2022) • Director Staffordshire University Student Services Limited (from 23 March 2022) • External Examiner Aberystwyth University from September 2022 • Trustee Regional Studies Association • Director Stoke-on-Trent and Staffordshire Local Enterprise Partnership Limited • Director SU Residential Services Limited (From 25 March 2024) • Director Universities UK (from 01/08/2025) 	
Professor Trevor McMillan Member	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employer: Vice Chancellor Keele University from 2014 to 31/08/2025 • Unpaid positions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Staffordshire and S-o-T Local Enterprise Partnership Board Member ◦ Universities UK Member ◦ Newcastle Town Deal Board (Chair) ◦ Midlands Innovation Board (Chair) 	
Carol Shanahan Member	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director – The Shanahan Foundation Ltd (from 30 September 2025) • Director – Weaver TopCo Ltd (from 22 April 2024) • Director – Weaver BidCo Ltd (from 22 April 2024) • Director – Weaver MidCo 1 Ltd (from 22 April 2024) • Director – Weaver MidCo 2 Ltd (from 22 April 2024) • Director – The Football League (Community) Ltd (from 1 February 2023) • Director – Shanahan Properties (Holdings) Ltd (from 9 December 2023) • Director – Shanahan Capital Ltd (from 9 December 2023) • Director – Shanahan Properties Ltd (from 9 December 2023) • Director – Bescura Ltd (from 1 February 2023) • Director – Port Vale Football Club Foundation (from 1 February 2023) • Director – Port Vale Football Club (from 1 February 2023) • Director – SynSol Holdings Ltd (from 1 February 2023) • Honorary Doctorate – Staffordshire University (from 1 February 2023) • Honorary Doctorate – Keele University (from 1 February 2023) • Director – The Hubb Foundation (from 1 February 2023 to 26 September 2024) 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director – Synectics Solutions (Holdings) Ltd 9 (from 22 April 2024 to 12 February 2025) • Director – Synectics Solutions Ltd (from 1 February 2023 to 12 February 2025) • Rosie Jones (Daughter) is a Trustee of Potteries Educational Trust 	
Alun Rogers Member	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None declared 	

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Charles Freeman Trustee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair of Governors at St. Margaret's (CE) Junior School, Wolstanton, Newcastle-under- Lyme. • Member of Rotary Club of Stoke-on-Trent • Member/Chair of Independent Exclusion and Admission Appeal Panels operating in Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent local authorities and for the Catholic Diocese 	
Clare Mayer Trustee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governor Moorside High School (resigned as governor 17/03/2025) • Employee of University of Staffordshire 	
Heather McLachlan Trustee & CEO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WM RISE Secondment April 2025 (PET is paid for my services) • SIP for St Paul's CoE Primary School September 2025 to September 2026 (PET is paid for my services) • National Lottery Heritage Fund Midlands and East Committee Member Sept 2024 • Member Strategic Board North Midlands Maths Hub • Member Strategic Board Origin Maths Hub • Co-Chair Future 100 Mission 	
John Gething Trustee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • None declared 	Appointed 06/07/2025
John Smart Trustee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stoke and Staffordshire Careers Hub Enterprise Advisor (Volunteer) from 24/09/2024 • Director: Christ the King Catholic Collegiate from 09/09/2024 	
Kate Townshend Trustee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holden Lane Primary Academy (Chair of Governors) from 01/09/2024 • The Excel Academy (Chair of Governors) from 01/09/2025 to 31/08/2026 	Appointed 06/01/2025
Kath Smith Trustee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grandson is student of City of Stoke-on-Trent Sixth Form College (from September 2024) 	
Professor Kristyan Spelman Miller Trustee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pro Vice Chancellor (Education) at Keele University (to September 2025) • Associate Director, Board of University of Cumbria (from September 2025) 	

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Michelle Johnstone Trustee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director for Thomas Boughey Kindergarten Ltd • Trustee of St Bart's Multi Academy Trust (from 23 November 2023) • Learn Mentor with University of Staffordshire (from 1 September 2025) • Husband is Chair of Governors for Werrington Primary School 	
Paul Mangnall Trustee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SASCAL (Stoke Heads & Principals 11-19 Partnership) Facilitator, from 01/09/2016 • Governor Ormiston Academies Trust Meridian Academy from 01/09/2015 	
Rosie Jones Trustee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director of The Shanahan Foundation Ltd (from 30 September 2025) • Director of IFK Legacy CIC (from 1 October 2025) • Director of Weaver Topco Limited (from 22 April 2024) • Director of Weaver Bidco Limited (from 22 April 2024) • Director of Weaver Midco 1 (Limited) (from 22 April 2024) • Director of Weaver Midco 2 (Limited) (from 22 April 2024) • Director of Synectics Solutions (Holdings) Limited (from 22 April 2024 to 12 February 2025) • Director of Synectics Solutions Stoke (from 26 January 2022 to 12 February 2025) • Carol Shanahan (Mother) is Member of Potteries Educational Trust 	
Suzanne Quinn Trustee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project Manager – Staffordshire Chambers of Commerce 	Appointed 01/09/2025
Sue Hawley Governance Professional, Clerk & Company Secretary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Governor at Park Hall Primary Academy • Clerk to St Teresa's (CtKCC) sub committees (from 01/09/2024) 	
Peter Gavin Trustee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relative appointed as governor for Biddulph High School 17/06/2025 	Resigned 31/08/2025