Kim Stinson – Chair of Governors

I have been a member of a governing body for more than 35 years and I have the pleasure of being a member of the governing bodies at both Shadsworth Infant School and Shadsworth Junior School.

My working life has been mainly involved in education and I am fortunate to have also been employed as a teacher at both the Infant and Junior schools in the Shadsworth community. The majority of my career has been spent as a Social, Emotional and Mental Health (SEMH) Advisory Teacher.

Although, I am retired from full time employment, I intend to continue with my professional development and utilise my skills and knowledge to support the young people, schools and families that I am involved with.

Cllr. Jim Shorrock – Co-opted Governor

My name is Jim Shorrock and I work full-time as a Retail High Street Training Manager, travelling all over the U.K. I reside in Shadsworth on Oban Drive where I have lived for 18 years. I have been the Councillor for Shadsworth with Whitebirk since 2004. I am fellow of the institute of innkeeping. I have a keen interest in Astronomy and Spaceflight, I enjoy caravanning as a way of recharging my batteries. I also love motorcycles and motorcycling, and I enjoy photography.

As a governor I want the school flourish and integrate in the community, providing not just essential education but, a social and economic link to its pupils and parents. Support and guidance is the key to the schools success, especially in adverse and constrained times.

Rosemary Brunt - Co-opted Governor

Since retiring from my role as Early Years Advisory Teacher with BwD SEND SS EY (Special Educational Needs and Disability Support Service - Early Years, I have maintained close links with my colleagues both here at Shadsworth Infants and at a BwD nursery school in my role as governor.

Early Years Education is close to my heart and I continue to maintain an up to date knowledge of education and SEND - nationally, locally and specific to our Shadsworth children.

I intend to continue supporting my colleagues and offer my skills as can be best used in seeking the very best for our Shadsworth family. No pecuniary or registered interests.

Roger Masters – Co-opted Governor; Co-Vice Chair

I joined the governing body of Shadsworth Infant School in 2006 following my retirement as a Deputy Headteacher of a special school in Burnley. As I knew very little about the operation of an infant school it was the beginning of a wonderful and fulfilling voyage of discovery. I realised very quickly that this was a school dedicated to the children and families it served and with a staff who were committed to this ideal.

During my time at Shadsworth Infant School I have served as Chair of Governors and am currently the Co-Vice Chair sharing the post with one of my colleagues. I also serve on all of the governor sub-committees.

I take pride in being a part of a school that lies at the very heart of the Shadsworth Community and never miss an opportunity to tell people what a vibrant, caring and forward-looking school I have the honour to be a small part of.

Chris Mooney – Co-opted Governor

I started work at Shadsworth Infant and Junior Schools in September 2011 as Pupil Wellbeing Coordinator. Over the last 12 years I have had the pleasure of seeing many children come in to Nursery and move through both schools, leaving us at 11 years old when they move on to Secondary School. In my job, I enjoy supporting children and families with the multitude of issues that they may face as part of their everyday lives, with the main goal of removing any barriers that may prevent a child from accessing the best education they can. Prior to working in Shadsworth I have worked at an SEMH Secondary School, for Action for Children and in Preventative Youth Justice work, so I have spent all of my working life with children and families in some capacity. Out of work I enjoy spending time with my wife and son, travelling, watching and playing sport as well as listening to music.

I hope that I can bring my knowledge and experience of Shadsworth and children and families in general to my role as Governor to support the Governing Body and the talented and hardworking staff in delivering the best possible start in life to the children of Shadsworth.

Gemma West – Co-opted Governor

I have worked as a teacher at Shadsworth Junior School for the last 12 years and know many of the families in the Shadsworth community. For the last 9 years I have had very close links with the Infant school. As one of the Year 3 teachers, I have the pleasure of working alongside the staff here to ensure a smooth transition for the pupils from the Infants to their first year at the Junior school. I see my role on the governing body as another way to build and maintain a close relationship with staff and pupils and to continue to make links between our schools. Shadsworth is very close to my heart and I love working with all of your wonderful children!

Penny Barnes – Staff Governor

I have been a staff governor since 2021. I am a class teacher at Shadsworth Infant school and I have been teaching at the school since 2016. I am currently one of the reception teachers within the setting, but I have been lucky enough to have also taught in both year 1 and year 2.

Before I graduated as a teacher, I worked in different childcare settings and fulfilled many different roles in the UK and also around the world. One of my most rewarding jobs which inspired me to want to be a teacher was when I worked as an SSA and TA within a primary school. I am extremely passionate about my job and I thoroughly enjoy helping educate children and having a positive impact on the start of their journey in life.

My aim as a governor is to continue to better the school alongside my knowledgeable and hardworking colleagues. I intend to bring and share professional experience and knowledge to the school to ensure that the children are gaining the best possible education.