

HUDDERSFIELD NEW COLLEGE FURTHER EDUCATION CORPORATION

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Mr Philip Hume - Chair of the Corporation

Philip Hume has worked in the voluntary and public sectors for over 30 years as a community worker, policy officer, and senior manager including being Assistant Director for Policy and Governance at Kirklees Council. Philip and his wife are now foster carers.

Philip believes in the importance of education to give young people the opportunities to shape their lives and determine their futures and has commitment that all young people can achieve their potential in the right environment.

Philip Hume first joined the College's Governing Body in 2009, he was appointed as Chair of the Corporation in October 2013.

Governance is about the overall strategic direction of the college, responsibility for the best use of resources, and assurance of the quality of provision and the outcomes achieved. The Corporation provides:

- independent support to the College's Leadership
- challenge and holds the senior leadership to account for improving the quality of learning;
- independent assurance and accountability;

The Corporation

External Governors:

Jonathan Dawson Hannah Haigh Philip Hume (Chair) Priscilla McGuire Antony Nelson Linda Summers (Vice Chair) Angela Thompson Til Wright

> <u>Staff Governors</u> Alison Osborne Julie Pryce

Sana Chowdry

<u>Parent Governor</u> Victoria Morrison

<u>Principal</u> Angela Williams

Who forms the membership of the Corporation?

Our Governors play a key part in driving the college forward and strategically planning future developments.

Governors make sure that the College is doing all the things it should; like providing good quality teaching, being efficiently run and managing its money well.

Our External Governors are individuals with appropriate skills, knowledge, experience and reputation in industry, commerce, the public sector, the practice of a profession, or equivalent, with a capacity to inquire, challenge and enhance.

Student, Staff and Parent representation and involvement in the Board brings fresh viewpoints and perspectives to the Corporation's work and complements the profile of the Corporation's membership.

All Governors serve in a voluntary capacity and do not act under any mandate.



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During 2013/14 the Corporation and its Committees;

- Improved arrangements for risk management, control and governance by continuing to drive the adoption of the integrated Board Assurance Framework
- Continued to ensure that the College is financially strong through prudent financial planning & controls
- Determined appropriate Financial targets and regularly monitored progress.
- Monitored all building condition projects including installation of Cloud WiFi system and spearheaded the bus bay developments.
- Focused on monitoring and reviewing Student and Teaching, Learning and Assessment outcomes and performance management
- Undertook regular reviews of the College's Quality Improvement Plan
- Enhanced governance arrangements by developing initiatives on how best to embed the learner voice into is business
- Ensured that the Student Union's Constitution reflects the students experience at HNC
- Continued to recognise and celebrate staff and student achievements

Achievements of Huddersfield New College

Headline success rates at the college are, for the second consecutive year, above the SFC average. This has been achieved through improvements in retention, achievement and high grade rates overall

A Level A*-E pass rate 99%.

A*-B 40% pass rate

Vocational A Levels A*-E pass rate 99%

A* - B Pass rate 70%

Corporation Meeting Schedule 2014/15 **Corporation Meetings:**

9th October 2014

4th November 2014

10th December 2014

23rd January 2015

25th March 2015

30th April 2015

3rd June 2015

30th June 2015

Audit:

16th September 2014

1st December 2014

10th March 2015 9th June 2015

Finance & Resources Committee:

13th October 2014

1st December 2014

16th March 2015 22nd June 2015

Remuneration Committee:

22nd October 2014

Search & Governance Committee:

13th November 2014

3rd February 2015

18th June 2015

College Governors - Voluntary Positions

Whether your life was transformed by education and you want to put something back and/or you would like to use your knowledge and skills to help young people get the best from their education, becoming a College Governor is one of the most important ways in which you can do this and we want to hear from you.

External Governors:

At Huddersfield New College we are looking for supportive governors, who are committed to inclusive education and who care about producing equality of opportunity for all. We welcome interest from applicants from all professional backgrounds, ethnic heritage and communities.

Parent Governor:

To be eligible to serve as a Parent Governor, you must be the parent/guardian of a current student who is under 19 years of age at the date of appointment. Parents upon successful appointment serve a term of office for up to two years.

Should you be interested in serving on the governing body of the college, or simply wish to receive more information on the Corporation, please do not hesitate to contact; Claire Coupland, Clerk to the Corporation email: info@huddnewcoll.ac.uk

All published minutes are available on the College website.

http://huddnewcoll.ac.uk/college-information/huddersfield-new-college/governance