

Nikki Hawkins – Personal Statement

I have lived in Louth for over 10 years and have two children – my eldest is about to start Year 2 at St Michael's and my youngest attends nursery. I am solicitor specialising in commercial property and work as a Partner at Wilkin Chapman LLP in Louth.

I would like to join the governing body at St Michael's as I am keen to support a local school and an important part of the community; I also believe that the skills I utilise in my work will transfer well to the work of school governance. What I can offer/my experience include:

- My job role includes being branch partner making me responsible for day-to-day management of the office and overseeing approx. 25 staff;
- Being a solicitor means that I work with paperwork and detail on a daily basis – this involves careful attention to detail including risk management, creating strategies and advising on options available;
- I work with a wide variety of people and I am not afraid to challenge and ask important questions;
- I previously sat on the board at Oasis Academy Immingham (though I would mention this was approx. 10 years ago);
- From 2010-2014, I was a trustee and eventually Chair of Trustees for Artlandish Limited, who were an arts-based charity in Cleethorpes;

I am excited to be considered for the role of a governor and would be happy to provide any further information you require. I look forward to hearing from you.