

Trustees

Dougal Bulger (Chair of Trustees), James Ottewell, David du Cellie Muller, Craig Crowley, Mark Tomalin.

Each Trustee adds to the expertise and diversity of the Board in providing robust administration and stewardship of funds.

The ambition of the Board is to lead the school to realise its aspiration of becoming the best outstanding provider of education and care to deaf children and young people.

Trustees are delighted with the efforts of the school in achieving ratings of Good and Outstanding in its educational and care provision. Successful partnership working with placing authorities, children and young people, parents, carers and wider stakeholders is a key continuing focus.

A fair fee basis underpinned by a sound matrix of need is complemented by substantial fundraising and grant activities making significant, positive contributions to pupil experience and demonstrating value for money. An in-house highly specialist team are driving continuous improvement in the quality of provision, leading each learner to achieve their ambitions.

Further and better detail about the role and work of Trustees is published each year in our annual reports, made public for everyone to see [here](#)

Trustees of Royal School for the Deaf Derby wish to thank their fellow trustees, James Hadden Richardson and Antony Robert Eley of the RSDD 2016 Property Trust for their longstanding, unwavering commitment and support for the work of the school

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Dougal Bulger FCIPD FIH

Chair of Trustees

Dougal joined the board following retirement as Clerk to the Worshipful Company, effectively their Chief Executive running the business of the Company and administrating for the Innholders' Charitable Foundation as Treasurer of the Innholders' Charitable Trust. The Trust was an enthusiastic supporter and sponsor of a number of schools for children and young people with special educational needs and those from disadvantaged socio-economic groups.

Dougal brings expertise in financial management, charity administration, structure, and governance and knowledge of charitable funding streams to the board.



James Ottewell MRICS

James is a successful property developer, he currently owns his own private award winning development company. James brings expertise in business strategy, financial management, valuation, management and development of land & real estate to the board.



David du Cellie Muller

David is currently a local District Councillor and retired Managing Director of a freight forwarding company at East Midlands Airport. He has a profoundly deaf daughter with Ushers. David brings business acumen and experience of deaf education for young people and parents to the board.



Craig Crowley MBE

Craig is Chief Executive Officer at Action Deafness, he currently co-chairs the BSL Advisory Board with the Minister for Disabled People and is chair of the UK Council on Deafness. Previous roles included President of International Committee of Sports for the Deaf (Deaflympics), Executive Director of Enham & European Union of the Deaf (EUD). Craig was awarded an MBE in 2006.

Craig brings expertise in charity structure and governance, business strategy and knowledge of Deaf community, language and context to the board.



Mark Tomalin ICAEW

Mark's career includes over 14 years in practice as a Chartered Accountant working in the area of Corporate Finance and Transaction Services, specialising in Financial Due Diligence. Since 2005 Mark has worked in board level positions in the Health and Social Care sector, including CFO and Projects Director for a specialist secure psychiatric hospital group and latterly as CEO of a complex dementia care group.

Mark brings financial training, financial due diligence specialism together with board level experience within highly regulated specialist service providers to the board



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board at the Charity Commission
webpages here*

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