

# NICHOLAS Charles GAUNTLETT



**Formally educated in agricultural business management, now with a broad business background gained in professional services, consultancy, agriculture, IT, recruitment and the food industry. A strong communicator experienced in business organisation and planning, communications and media, operational implementation, strategic analysis, marketing, events, and stand-alone projects.**

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## **Employment**

- Accenture (then Andersen Consulting)
- Grant Thornton
- Andersons Chamberlain
- Adderley Featherstone
- The Car Company (UK) Limited
- Moore Gauntlett People Limited
- UKschools.com

## **Non-executive and Governance**

- Governor (with finance lead) of a maintained sector school in Portsmouth
- Trustee of land holding trust
- Past Trustee of The Old Portmuthian Charity - a small educationally focussed charity dealing with hardship and welfare support
- Past President (two separate terms) of school alumnus body

## **Education and Qualifications**

- The Portsmouth Grammar School
- University of London, Wye BSc (Hons.) 2:1

## **Interests**

- Sports, particularly tennis (club member), golf (club member), skiing, polo and motorsport
- Classical and contemporary music - past member of a professional choir
- Education with particular emphasis on natural sciences, food and nutrition

## **Personal Statement**

I live just outside Bedford with my wife and three young children, the eldest of which attends Bedford School.

I have been involved to varying degrees in the broad sphere of independent education for over 25 years as an office holder, governor, trustee and consultant. I would very much like to bring that experience to serve the Bedford School community as Parent Governor.

Of greatest relevance in my current business life is probably my work as a consultant to (mainly overseas) families looking to send their child/children to a top UK boarding school. This has given me renewed and up-to-date insight into UK independent education through engagement with many such schools, understanding best practice, facilities, governance and the issues that such schools face today.

In the maintained sector, I was previously a governor of a city infant school for three years prior to relocating to Bedfordshire.

I would be very pleased to have your support in this election for a Parent Governor of Bedford School.

Thank you.