

## **Background**

I was brought up on a farm on the outskirts of Sheffield where I lived until I moved to Leeds 22 years ago. I have been in the construction industry for 20 of those years as a Quantity Surveyor. In 2020 I joined the Civil Service and work for the Cabinet Office as a Senior Commercial Manager within the Ministry of Justice managing multi-million-pound FM contracts.

I live in Rothwell with my wife Kate and 9-year-old boy, Danny.

## **What brought you to Greenmount:**

I wanted to give something back to the community and firmly believe my career experience has given me the tools to effectively manage both budgets, processes and people. I applied through a government programme and Greenmount invited me to come and have a look – I loved the kids, the teachers and the atmosphere and wanted to be part of it and making it a better place for kids to learn.

## **What you like about being a Governor:**

I love the fact that I can make a difference. I wasn't a high achiever at school and left with no qualifications – but had a day of reckoning and now have a degree and hold down a very demanding and fulfilling job – I believe I left school in that manner because nobody had faith in me – I want to be part of something that puts faith in the pupils and above all maximises their potential.

## **Your thoughts about Greenmount:**

Greenmount School is an incredible place. It is bang in the middle of a thriving and vibrant community and is served by

those around it. You can feel that vibrance when you walk around the school and see how important the education of those kids is to the teachers and how those kids thrive from their education there.

**What you believe the school vision to be:**

To educate and teach individuals to be well rounded and good people, to prepare them to be the best they can be for the big wide world they will one day hopefully be able to influence and hopefully with a smile!

**Hobbies/interests:**

The little amount of time I have after work and being a dad...I am an avid motorsport fan, a keen photographer and stargazer.