

Register of Interests 2026/27

University Council

Name	Title	Interests Declared	Indirect Member Interests
The Right Rev'd Dr Nicholas Chamberlain	Bishop of Grantham (Acting Bishop of Lincoln)	1. Lincoln Diocesan Trust and Board of Finance – Trustee 2. Lincoln Diocesan Board of Education – Trustee 3. St Hild College – Trustee 4. Bishops Charity Fund (Lincoln) – Trustee	None Declared
Professor Andrew Gower	Vice-Chancellor & Chief Executive	1. Director of BG (Lincoln) Ltd – Subsidiary of the University 2. Cathedrals Group of Universities – Trustee	Daughter works for Morley College London, for which the University is the validating partner
Stephan Bolton	Students' Union President	President of Lincoln Bishop University Students' Union	None Declared
Samuel Weeks	Student Member of University Council	Student at the University	None Declared
Rebecca Crooks	Elected Professional Support Staff Representative	Member of Staff of the University	None Declared
Lori Hall	Elected Academic Staff Representative	Member of Staff of the University	None Declared
Professor Mary Bishop	Independent Member <i>Chair of the Audit Committee</i>	1. British Accreditation Council – Trustee 2. CIPFA – Independent Non-Executive Director 3. Arden University – Independent Non-Executive Director	None Declared

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Douglas Blackstock	Independent Member	1. University of Law – Independent Non-Executive Director 2. Cilex Regulation Limited – Board Member 3. British University in Egypt – Trustee 4. Hong Kong Council for Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications – Non-Local Council Member	Douglas Blackstock – Sole Trader
Alison Brown	Independent Member	1. Leicestershire Rural Housing Association – Trustee	None Declared
Julia Chippendale	Independent Member <i>Chair of the Finance, Employment & General Purposes Committee</i>	1. Chippendale Properties LLP – Director 2. JC Properties (Yorkshire) Ltd – Director	Engineering Construction Industry Training Board – Employee
Anne Frost	Chair of University Council <i>Chair of the Governance & Nominations Committee</i>	1. The Sandwell College – Chair of Board 2. NACRO – Vice-Chair of Board 3. NRLA – Deputy Chair of Board	None Declared
Professor Marianne Howarth	Independent Member <i>Chair of the Academic Assurance Committee</i>	Burghope Trust – Trustee	None Declared
Walter Leschenko	Independent Member	None Declared	None Declared

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Alfred Morris CBE DL	Independent Member	1. Higher Education Associates Limited – Director 2. Global Academic Holdings Limited – Director	1. Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales – Fellow 2. University of Lincoln – Honorary Fellow
Jaidip Sen	Independent Member	None Declared	None Declared
Elise Temple	Independent Member	None Declared	None Declared
Kate Truscott	Independent Member <i>Chair of the Remuneration Committee</i>	1. Vision West Nottinghamshire FE College – Chair of Corporation Board 2. Linkage Community Trust – Trustee	None Declared
The Very Rev'd Dr Simon Jones	Dean of Lincoln	1. The Cathedral Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Lincoln – Dean, Trustee & Chair of Chapter 2. Lincoln Cathedral Music Fund – Trustee 3. Lincoln Minster Shops Ltd – Director 4. Lincoln Cathedral CIO – Director 5. Hymns Ancient & Modern Ltd – Director, Trustee & Chair of the Board	International Anglican Liturgical Consultation – Chair of the Steering Committee

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		6. Diocese of Lincoln: Bishop's Council of Diocesan Trustees – Trustee 7. Historic Lincoln Trust – Trustee 8. University of Lincoln Academic Trust – Member 9. Investors in Lincoln – Member	
Rachel McLafferty	Strategic Programme Manager	None Declared	None Declared
The Rev'd Dr Kevin Walton	Canon Chancellor – Lincoln Cathedral	1. Lincoln Cathedral – Canon Chancellor 2. De Aston School (Market Rasen)	None Declared
Professor Hilary Grainger	Co-Opt Member of the Academic Assurance Committee	None Declared	None Declared
Lisa Smith	Co-Opt Member of the Audit Committee	None Declared	Son is a member of staff of the University

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University Executive Group

Name	Title	Interests Declared	Indirect Member Interests
Professor Andrew Gower	Vice-Chancellor & Chief Executive	1. Director of BG (Lincoln) Ltd – Subsidiary of the University 2. Cathedrals Group of Universities – Trustee 3. Remunerated a salary by the University	Daughter works for Morley College London, for which the University is the validating partner
Dr Nick Gee	Provost & Chief Academic Officer	None Declared	None Declared
Professor Matthew Innes	Senior Strategic Advisor	1. Pride in Place Tile Hill – Chair 2. Morley College London – Director & Trustee, and Chair of Education and Student Experience Committee 3. Innes & Innes Ltd – Director and Shareholder	1. Spouse is an elected member of Coventry City Council 2. Son is Secretary for Wembley Hero CIC 3. Spouse is a member of the Birmingham Airport Shareholders Consultative Committee, representing Coventry City Council
Dr Claire Thomson	Executive Dean: Learning, Teaching & Student Success	None Declared	None Declared
James Seymour	Chief Marketing & Engagement Officer	1. Hartle Bryggen Limited – Director and Shareholder 2. CampusConnect - Employee	Spouse is Director of Finance and Operations for the Northamptonshire Music and Performing Arts Trust

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- The Register of Interests is updated annually, and verbal updates are requested from members at every meeting to ensure new interests are recorded appropriately. All Board members sign an annual affirmation confirming independence from other interests, as set out in the CUC HE Code of Governance 2026.*
- The University has in place a Conflict of Interest Policy, which can be accessed [here](#) and which details the process by which the University manages and mitigates perceived or actual conflicts of interest for its University Council and University Executive Group, ensuring decisions are not made for personal gain.*

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