



I became a school governor, a long time ago, because I believe that all children should have the best possible education, and the best possible opportunities to succeed, and that the key to this is the quality and the breadth of the education offered to them. I have been on the governing body of Manor Primary School since 1991. I was a teacher in Newham for a number of years, and then worked in a number of Local Authorities as an education officer, finally as Head of the Early Years Service in Tower Hamlets. I retired in December 2008, which has given me more time for governing body activities.

I'm a member of the Finance and Premises Committee and the new Progress Committee because using our budget wisely, and monitoring the progress the children are making are aspects of the work of governors that I am particularly interested in.