

Proposed Independent Persons 2020

Mr Richard Gough

Mr Gough has been an Independent Person for the Combined Fire Authority since 2012 and was also appointed in the same year, as an Independent Person by Leicestershire Borough and District Councils. He served as a Magistrate on the Leicester Bench for 20 years. His previous career was in the financial services industry. He lives in Wigston Fields.

Mr Gordon Grimes

Mr Grimes, a retired Senior Civil Servant, has been an Independent Person for the Combined Fire Authority and the County Council since 2012; and also for other authorities in Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland. He lives in Enderby.

Ms Tina Herring

Ms. Herring, now retired from a career in education, has worked as a Head Teacher and also as an inspector with OFSTED. She is currently an independent non-executive Director of Kent County Council's education services company. She lives in Leicester.

Mrs Hema Kotecha

Mrs Kotecha has worked in police forensics for over 13 years and currently works for Dorset Police. She has a wide range of skills including investigating, analysing information, compiling evidence and ensuring that standards are maintained. She lives in Kibworth.

Prof. Surinder Sharma

Prof. Sharma has been an Independent Person for the County Council since 2012. He has wide ranging experience gained from working in the public, private and voluntary sectors, has been Chair of the Equal Opportunities Commission, a Magistrate and an elected member of a local authority. He is currently Chairman of the Leicester Racial Equality Council. He lives in Stoneygate.

Ms Pamela Roberts

Ms Roberts, a retired Civil Servant, has a wide career in public service, including in local government. She has a wide experience of policy formation and delivery, planning and ensuring that standards are maintained. She currently volunteers as a Trustee at a local charity. She lives in Market Harborough.