

Bilborough College

Meet the Governors

Governor Profile



Nicky Harrold is an ex-Bilborough College student and is now an active member of the governing body. She's also involved with two other charities: SPORTED (a national Sport for Development charity, helping more than 3,000 community sport and youth groups survive and thrive) and South Derbyshire Mental Health Association (a local service for adults with mental health issues).

After the sudden death of a close friend she retired in her mid-forties, to spend more time 'doing things that matter'. As well as volunteering for causes close to her heart she enjoys traveling, spending more time with family and friends, following the Scotland rugby team, scuba diving, riding her motorbike, hill walking and brewing.

Nicky has worked for PWC, Mars and Molson Coors over the course of her professional career. During this time she qualified as a chartered accountant, bought a pet care company for EUR 1.4 billion, sold 2.8 billion pints of beer and helped grow the businesses of customers including: 3M, Pedigree, Campbells, ASDA, Morrisons and Sainsburys. After beating 13 professional brewers in a competition at Molson Coors she was persuaded to study to become a qualified brewer.

Nicky is a Nottingham girl; raised in Bulwell by her mum, Jo, who taught infant aged children with special needs. At Bilborough she studied A-levels in Chemistry, Physics and Mathematics, before going on to Nottingham Trent University to study Applied Chemistry followed by a Ph.D. at the University of Nottingham.

Having played hockey for Notts and represented the college at 100m (by accident), she still tries to keep fit by swimming, cycling and walking. Nicky and

her husband Phil live near Melbourne in South Derbyshire and have a grown up son who is an A&E doctor in Sheffield and a cat called Trex (named after the vegetarian cooking fat brand, not the 1970s band T.REX!!).