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Name	Committee Membership	Employment	Trusteeships	Directorships	Significant Shareholdings	Other interests
Pat Ritchie CBE	Chair of Council; Finance Committee; Remuneration Committee; Nominations Committee (Chair)	Pat Ritchie Associates Limited	None	Interim Chair, Homes England; Chair, Government Property Agency; Independent Chair, Metro Dynamics Limited	None	None
Mags Scott	Deputy Chair of Council; Finance Committee; Nominations Committee; Partnership Committee (Chair)	Director of Finance & Investment at the NE Combined Authority	Music North Limited (The Glasshouse International Centre for Music)	Music North Limited (The Glasshouse International Centre for Music)	None	None
Angela Russell	Honorary Treasurer; Council; Finance Committee (Chair); Remuneration Committee;	Darlington Building Society	None	Darlington Building Society, Non-Executive Director	None	None
Professor Chris Day CBE	Council; Finance Committee; Nominations Committee; Senate (Chair)		Sir Bobby Robson Foundation; South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust; Newcastle University Development Trust; Foundation for Liver Research; The Constantine Bequest	None	None	North East Local Enterprise Partnership Board Member; Russell Group Chair; UUP Foundation Advisory Board Member; Newcastle Health Innovation Partners Advisory Board; The All-Party Parliamentary University Group
Professor Nigel Harkness	Council; Senate; Finance Committee; Audit, Risk and Assurance Committee					
Gina Tindale	Council; Finance Committee; Senate	Newcastle University Students' Union	Newcastle University Students' Union	None	None	Student of Newcastle University
Anushka Sonwane	Council; Senate	Newcastle University Students' Union	Newcastle University Students' Union	None	None	Alumnus of Newcastle University
Professor Derek Bell OBE	Council (Senior Independent Governor)	Chair, North Tees and Hartlepool NHS Foundation Trust and South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust	Royal Medical Benevolent Fund; Tenovus Scotand	None	None	None
Linda Conlon MBE	Council; Audit, Risk and Assurance Committee	International Centre for Life	The Laidlaw School Trust	Chair of Global Trends Committee (Association of Science and Technology Centres)	None	
Max Farrell	Council; Honorary Degrees Committee	The LDN Collective Ltd LDN Collective Media Ltd Healthy City Design Ltd		The LDN Collective Ltd LDN Collective Media Ltd Healthy City Design Ltd Healthy City Design Congress (Chair) Built Environment Policy, West London Business (Chair)	The LDN Collective Ltd LDN Collective Media Ltd Healthy City Design Ltd	Muse (Board Adviser) Sidara (Board Adviser) Farrell Centre (Strategic Adviser)

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Will Garton	Council; Nominations Committee	Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government	None	Member of executive team of Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government; Independent NED Women's Super League	None	None
Dr Sarah Green OBE	Council	Experience North East England (Chief Executive)				
Dr Arun Harish	Council	CPI Limited	None	None	None	None
Anu Kaura	Council	Trinity Chambers AK Legal Consultancy Ltd Sandilands Legal	None	AK Legal Consultancy Ltd	AK Legal Consultancy Ltd	Law Society
Alex Lamb	Council; Finance Committee	British Engines Limited British Engines Holdings Limited (Director)	None	None	British Engines Limited	Tyne Pressure Testing (Joint venture between British Engines Limited and Newcastle University)
Vicky Long	Council					
Bill MacLeod	Council; Audit, Risk and Assurance Committee (Chair)	None	Newcastle Hospitals (Chair)	Northumbria Healthcare	None	Chair of Ethics Board, Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland; Recipient of pension as retired partner from PricewaterhouseCoopers
Professor Ian Head	Council; Senate					
Dr Meiko O'Halloran	Council; Senate					
Marta Phillips OBE	Council; Audit, Risk and Assurance Committee; Health and Safety Committee	None	None	Barking Havering and Redbridge University Trust; Public Sector Audits Appointments; London Fire Brigade; Heriot Watt University; Intituto Marangoni; University of Law; Jersey Non-Ministerial Departments; Chartered Accountants Compensation Scheme; Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime / Metropolitan Police Service; Tollgate Square Management Company Limited; MRP Consultancy Ltd	None	Heriot Watt University – Court Member; Alumnus of Newcastle University
Emma Reay	Council		Tyne and Wear Multi-Academy Learning Trust			Chair of NE UniConnect Strategy Group Chair of NE Raising Aspirations Strategy Group Representative on NE Raising Aspirations Executive Board

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						Chair of national Realising Opportunities Management Group Representative on Russell Group Admissions and Widening Participation Forum
Professor Colin Riordan CBE	Council; Remuneration Committee (Chair)	Chief Executive, Association of Commonwealth Universities; Member of Research England Council		Council Member of Research England		
Nitin Shukla	Council; Remuneration Committee; Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Committee; Museum and Gallery Board	None	St Nicholas Cathedral; Haven Tyneside; Bridgewater Primary School (Chair of Governors)	Marie Curie Development Board	None	Patron of Northumberland & Newcastle Society
Sir Nigel Wilson	Council	Chairman of Canary Wharf Group; Chairman of Cambridge Innovation Capital	None	Canary Wharf Group Cambridge Innovation Capital	None	None

Note

Employment – sources of paid employment and any self-employment activities. Cells shaded Green indicate that the member of Council is a paid employee of Newcastle University.

Trusteeships – Names of any charities where members are also a trustee.

Directorships – Directorships (and their equivalent on, for example, public service boards) whether the position is remunerated or not.

Significant shareholdings - Names of companies in which the member owns 5% or more of issued shared capital.

Other interests – the nature of the interest where the member's employer, business associates, spouse or partner or other family member has a direct pecuniary interest in the supply of goods or services to the University; or, where the member or the member's spouse or partner or other family member has a substantial beneficial interest in the securities of a company or other body that is involved in the supply of goods or services to the University; or, any other cases of significant involvement with organisations including spin-out companies; or, any positions of authority, not otherwise listed, which the member may hold in voluntary and other organisations, such as development agencies, NHS bodies, Trade Unions, Local Authorities etc, where the member might be required to participate in decision-making which could affect the University's interests and which could give rise to conflict of interest.

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