

Business & Professional Development Event

SPEAKER PROFILES

Nickii Messer – Co-Chair and Speaker

Nickii Messer is an experienced, award winning, school business management consultant. Her company, All the geese, specialise in training and development for SBMs and their teams. Nickii's training days are invariably fast-paced, supportive and fun and she has an intuitive ability to help understand even the most entrenched of difficulties. Nickii is an author and regular contributor to many publications, including The School Business Manager's Handbook, and is a popular national and international conference speaker. As Operational Lead for the L4 and L5 SBM Diplomas at Anglia Ruskin University, she has developed a deep understanding of professional development for SBMs.

Justine Berkeley - Co-Chair and Speaker

Justine Berkeley is owner and managing director of SBM Services Ltd, a company born out of her passion to support schools with all their business and financial management needs. Justine has a wealth of experience both as a chartered accountant and qualified school business director working in both the public and private sector. Justine is a designated specialist leader of education, an approved trainer and fellow of Institute of School Business Leader and has received national recognition for her services to education receiving the SBM of the year award and an award for her contribution to the professionalisation of school business leadership.

Ceri Walker – Speaker

Ceri Walker is Operations Director at SBM Services Ltd. Ceri has worked in management accountancy and finance for 16 years, the last 10 years specialising in Education Business Management. Ceri is trusted for her in depth practical knowledge and ability to undertake complex tasks and train others in understandable terms. Having moved from the private sector preparing management accounts in 2006, Ceri is AAT qualified and has successfully completed her Certificate in School Business Management. Ceri has also worked in the role of Business Manager in a primary school, where she gained considerable knowledge and experience in all aspects of school management and delivering a variety of projects on time and within budget. Most recently Ceri was appointed as the financial controller of a senior school and supported in the process of converting to academy status before continuing her career with SBM Services.

Helen Wilson – Speaker

Helen Wilson is Business Development Director at SBM Services. Helen has used her experiences of working with schools during the last 10 years to help create and launch the SBM Services 'SBM Toolkit', a one stop library of resources to support in all aspects of school business management.

Most recently, Helen has helped develop SBM Services data protection support service which aims to help ensure schools achieve compliance within this area. This has included developing SBM Services GDPR audit programme to support schools in identifying where they are in their journey towards achieving compliance and developing the data protection resources within the SBM Toolkit which provide schools with practical templates to implement within their own school setting.