

Siobhan Allen (Chairperson)

Siobhan arrived in Australia from Ireland over twenty years ago and settled with her husband Wayne in the Perth Hills.

Siobhan is currently the Executive Director of Catholic School Parents WA (CSPWA), a role she took on in 2016. Her responsibilities in this role include ensuring that the parent perspective is heard in relation to the education and wellbeing of children and young people in Catholic schools. Siobhan works closely with the CSPWA Council to ensure the aims and objectives of the governing body are carried out. Siobhan's particular area of passion is around Parent Engagement in student learning and wellbeing and the benefits this brings to all, and is currently an ARACY (Australian Research Alliance for Children and Youth) Parent Engagement champion in Western Australia.

Siobhan is a regular participant in working parties and reference groups of the Catholic Education Commission of WA. Siobhan has more recently been elected to the executive committee of Catholic School Parents Australia (CSPA), the national peak parent body representing the parents of children and young people in Catholic schools across Australia. She is also a member of the Faith Formation and Religious Education Standing Committee of the National Catholic Education Commission (NCEC).

Growing up in Ireland, Siobhan experienced the benefits and joys of a Catholic education and wanted nothing less for her own children. Her son was educated at Mazonod College and her daughter, was a former student at St Brigid's College. Siobhan was involved in the communities at both schools and was an active member of the Parent Groups on both campuses. Siobhan joined our College Advisory Council in August 2017.

Outside work, Siobhan's interests include: gardening with her Mum in the garden they now share since her parents have moved into a granny flat on Siobhan and Wayne's property, singing (usually at the request of her father who thinks she is gifted and talented in this area!), and enjoying the company of her children and their friends.