



### **Dr Cathy Taylor – CEO and Accounting Officer**

Cathy Taylor read Chemistry with Bio-Organic Chemistry and Toxicology at University of Hull; she graduated in 1991 and then continued her studies in Biochemistry to complete a PhD in 1994. After working in research, Cathy completed a Post Graduate Certificate in Education and taught Science in Yorkshire prior to moving to Lincolnshire as Head of Science. She worked as a consultant to deliver a National Strategy for Science across Lincolnshire after which, she joined the senior leadership team of a school facing challenging circumstances.

In 2006 Cathy was appointed to Headship. In 2009 Dr Taylor returned to Hull to take on a new challenge as Principal of Sirius Academy. In 2014 the Academy was judged by Ofsted to be 'outstanding in all areas', which enabled a successful bid to become a Teaching School in partnership with a number of schools from the East Riding and North Lincolnshire. Her work as a National Leader of Education supported the Academy in its aspiration to become a Multi Academy Trust in 2015 and sponsor Thomas Ferens Academy, a local school in special measures. In 2015 this Academy was judged by Ofsted 'to no longer require special measures' but was deemed to be a 'good school with outstanding leadership'.

In 2016 she became the Chief Executive of the Constellation Trust that consists of 10 schools in Hull. As part of the ongoing developments of the Trust, Cathy was awarded NPQEL in 2020.