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Personal Statement

I am excited to apply for the position of governor at Ellistown Primary School, as I am passionate about contributing to the growth and success of our local community, particularly by supporting the educational development of young people. With over a decade of professional experience in management, leadership, and business development, I bring a wealth of expertise in strategic planning, team management, and achieving performance targets skills I believe can add value to the governance of Ellistown Primary School.

Currently, as an On-Site Manager at Mantra Logistics, I lead a team of over 40 drivers, ensuring the efficient delivery of over 20,000 parcels monthly. This role demands exceptional organizational skills, the ability to achieve key performance indicators, and a commitment to fostering a motivated team. These qualities translate directly into the responsibilities of a school governor, where strategic oversight, team collaboration, and accountability are critical for success.

Throughout my career, I have demonstrated my ability to lead and manage diverse teams across industries. In roles such as Branch Manager at Sixt Car and Van Rental and Area Manager at Avis Budget Group, I successfully drove revenue growth, managed large teams, and improved operational efficiencies. These experiences have equipped me with the ability to analyse data, manage budgets, and make informed decisions skills that will enable me to contribute effectively to the strategic and financial governance of the school.

I also have a deeply personal understanding of resilience and determination, having been diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis, an autoimmune condition. While this condition presents challenges, it has only strengthened my focus, adaptability, and drive to achieve my goals. As a governor, I am particularly passionate about promoting well-being, inclusion, and accessibility, ensuring that every child, regardless of their circumstances, has the opportunity to thrive.

In addition to my professional expertise, I have a strong commitment to supporting the well-being and success of others. In my role as Employment Engagement Supervisor, I helped my team achieve some of the highest customer satisfaction scores and improved Trustpilot feedback ratings. This focus on engagement and satisfaction reflects my ability to listen, understand, and respond to the needs of individuals an essential quality for a governor responsible for representing the interests of pupils, parents, and staff.

As someone with a degree in Economics with International Relations and Politics, I bring an analytical mindset and a global perspective to problem-solving. My experience in customer-facing roles has honed my interpersonal skills, enabling me to work collaboratively with stakeholders to achieve shared goals.

In conclusion, I am eager to bring my leadership experience, business acumen, and passion for education to the role of governor at Ellistown Primary School. I am enthusiastic about dedicating my time and skills to support the school's vision, uphold high standards, and contribute to the success of its pupils and the wider community. I would be honoured to have the opportunity to make a meaningful difference in this role.