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Portfolio Holder: Leadership and Impact for Students with SEND/Inclusion

I have been tasked with the portfolio for Inclusion and Special Educational Needs at The Grangefield Academy. I am the Director of Adult Services and Business Development at The Percy Hedley Foundation, a north east based charity which aims to promote achievement for all disabled people. My experience is vast in executive and senior management roles in the not for profit sector across the north of England. In 2001 I was awarded an MBE for services to the employment of disabled people. I have written many articles on disability policy, employment and related matters and have often appeared on radio and television to discuss these issues. I have a BSc in Social Sciences and a Master's degree in Business Administration from the Open University. I am a season ticket holder at Hartlepool United Football Club and the founder of Brandon Junior Football Club.