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Rob Southwell-Sander is Assistant Head (Director of Partnerships) at Abingdon School and oversees the school's growing partnership program which includes the well-established Abingdon Science Partnership along with an extensive student leadership element, arts partnership, mental health and wellbeing provision and local primary school links. During the past 18 months he has worked alongside colleagues from schools across Abingdon to help set up the OX14 Learning Partnership which is group of six state and independent schools working in partnership to raise educational aspirations across OX14 by providing opportunities for students and staff to be challenged, inspired and learn from each other. Over the last 3 years Rob has worked alongside colleagues at Impact Ed to help create a reflective, needs lead framework of impact assessment which combines the expertise of Impact Ed with the pragmatism necessary to assess the efficacy of a multi-school, cross sector partnership. From 2019-20, he has served as Chair of the Schools Together Group Events committee, an organisation which is committed to promoting powerful and effective relationships between schools in the state and independent sectors.