

Solihull Governor Services
Solihull School Governors' Training Programme
April 2018 – March 2019

Data Protection & Freedom of Information

In May 2018, the General Data Protection Regulations will replace the Data Protection Act, bringing some significant changes to how organisations, such as Schools and Academies process personal information. To help governors understand the changes and how this will affect their responsibilities, we are holding two separate seminars.

The first will outline the proposed changes and give governors:

- An overview of the Freedom of Information Act;
- An overview of the new General Data Protection Regulations;
- An understanding of the school's main responsibilities.

The intended learning outcomes are that governors will:

- Have a broad understanding of the Freedom of Information and relevant Data Protection law;
- Understand the school's main responsibilities under the Freedom of Information Act including information requests;
- Understand the school's main responsibilities under the General Data Protection Regulations;
- Understand the importance of keeping information secure.

The second seminar will be a recap on the changes and discuss things that have occurred under the new Data Protection law including lessons learned from practical application.

The seminar will cover the following features of effective governance:

Strategic leadership that sets and champions vision, ethos and strategy. ✓

Accountability that drives up educational standards and financial performance.

People with the right skills, experience, qualities and capacity. ✓

Structures that reinforce clearly defined roles and responsibilities.

Compliance with statutory and contractual requirements. ✓

Evaluation to monitor and improve the quality and impact of governance.

The seminars will be held on the following dates:

Summer Term:	Tuesday, 1 st May 2018	Civic Suite, 7.00-9.00pm
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Spring Term:	Thursday, 24 th January 2019	Civic Suite, 7.00-9.00pm
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