

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

Refresher Course for Experienced Governors

This session serves as a reminder of the key elements of an effective governor and effective Governing Boards. In all types of schools, Governing Boards should have a strong focus on three core strategic functions:

- Ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction
- Holding the Head teacher to account for the educational performance of the school and its pupils, and the performance management of staff
- Overseeing the financial performance of the school and making sure its money is well spent.

This session will review the role of a governor and generally act as an update for new legislation and initiatives as well as giving experienced governors an opportunity to meet and share good practice.

The intended learning outcomes are that governors will:

- Increase governors' knowledge and understanding of the changing context within which schools/ governing boards operate;
- Explore the core strategic functions of the governing board and associated activities;
- Identify how governors/ governing boards can improve their effectiveness and impact.

The seminar will link to 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. ✓

This seminar will be held on the following date:

Spring Term Thursday, 21st March 2019 The Loft, 12.30-2.30pm