

Governance Training Programme, 2025-26 for Trustees and LAB members

We plan to offer three different kinds of programmes:

- **Online workshops.** We will host six live workshops via Teams that include interactive elements.
- **On demand: our 2025/26 Masterclasses. Each masterclass is 45 minutes long.**
 - **Understanding data**
 - **Improving attendance**
 - **Professional Development**
 - **Understanding SEND**
 - **Support & Challenge – asking the right questions**
 - **Developing our People Strategy**

We would like to request that all Trustees and LAB members attend a minimum of 3 masterclasses between **October 2025- June 2026**. A training log will be kept centrally.

- **Bespoke support.** We will offer bespoke support, particularly for key individuals like LAB Chairs, to help strengthen governance.

Term 1- Workshops (online and in person)

Session focus	Facilitator	Date/Venue/Teams
Annual Safeguarding Training Refresher – Trust Board and LABs	Gill Creighton/DSLs	Trust Board / LAB Meetings September-October 2025
Inspection Workshop (1) for Chairs and Vice Chairs of LABs and Trustees	Des Bird	5pm, 14 th October 2025 (Teams)
Understanding MATs New LAB member Induction For all particularly new LAB members	Tom Martell	Governance Training 1 – 5pm, 22 nd October 2025 (Teams)
Safeguarding training for Designated Safeguarding leads	Gill Creighton	5.30 – 6.30pm, 11 November 2025, (Teams)
Finance: Part A) Integrated Curriculum Financial Planning Part B) Capital spend For all	Gill Martin Steve Lucas- Jones	Governance Training 2 – 5pm, 26 th November 2025 (Teams)

Term 2

Session focus	Facilitator	Date
Complaints, Exclusions and Panel Hearings: Understanding the role of the LAB and Trustees for all particularly any LAB members or Trustees who sit on Complaints Panels or Exclusion Panels	Natalie Ruane, Just People	Governor Training 3 – 5pm, 15 th January 2026 (Teams)
Inspection Workshop (2) for Chairs and Vice Chairs of LABs and Trustees	Des Bird	5pm, 20 th January 2026 (Teams)
Developing inclusion and belonging for all	Sue Newstead	Governor Training 4 – 5pm, 10 th February 2026 (Teams)

Term 3

Session focus	Facilitator	Date
CET Annual Governance Conference for all	Various	IN PERSON , 4pm – 7.30pm, 22 nd April 2026, University of Cumbria, Carlisle
Risk Management for all	Sally McAllister Gill Martin	Governor Training 5 – 5pm, 28 th April 2026 (Teams)
Inspection Workshop (3) for Chairs and Vice Chairs of LABs and Trustees	Des Bird	5pm, 18 th May 2026 (Teams)
Safeguarding Celebration event for Designated Safeguarding leads	Gill Creighton	IN PERSON 3.30pm – 5pm, 9 th June 2026, Yewdale Conference Room
School Improvement Strategy for all	Matt Butler Des Bird	Governor Training 6 – 5pm, 30 th June 2026 (Teams)