

# Compliance with the Academy Trust Handbook 2021



A guide for trustees and members.

## Overview

The Academy Trust Handbook (previously known as the Academies Financial Handbook) contains regulations that all trusts must comply with as a condition of their funding agreement. It aims to be the one-stop-shop for members, trustees and local governors.

This webinar provides practical guidance on how to ensure your trust board is compliant with the Academy Trust Handbook. It guides trustees and members through the 'musts' and 'shoulds' in the regulatory framework which will ensure you have implemented effective financial management and other controls, consistent with your obligations as publicly funded bodies.

The following will be explored:

- What's new / changed in the latest version of the handbook
- Overview of the annual cycle of responsibilities
- How to work effectively with all the key roles in a trust
- Understanding the financial requirements, including key structures, documents and processes
- Financial planning requirements and ensuring the trust is a 'going concern'
- Ensuring value for money
- Risk management and internal scrutiny
- The boards role in the external audit of accounts

## Who should attend?

Any trustee or member who wants to learn more about the boards responsibilities, particularly those who are Chair or Trustee or Chair of the Trust Finance Committee. This webinar is suitable for academies and multi academy trusts.

## Tutor

Rosemary Lovatt led National Leaders of Governance (NLGs) across the East of England and NE London for many years. Rosemary is an experienced governance tutor, chair and trustee who has supported boards across England and trained thousands of governors and trustees.

## What people say about our training

*'The best governor training I have ever attended'*

*'Inspiring! Thank you! I now feel confident to be a more strategic governor'*

*'At last, training that provides the tools, examples and checklists to help us do the job'*

## About our training

As experienced Chairs of Governors we strongly believe in providing training that gives you the knowledge, tools and examples to be effective governors. Our aim is to give you the confidence and tools to improve your governance as quickly and effectively as possible. All our training is provided by National Leaders of Governance who are experienced governance trainers. Our training can be provided as webinars, bespoke sessions for your board or group of schools or face to face sessions (subject to social distancing guidance).

## Logistics and Booking

Please complete your online booking by selecting the 'BOOK' link next to the date wish to attend from the grid below and using the 'BOOK' link. If the 'BOOK' link is not visible, please let us know you are interested in the next available date by selecting the 'ENQUIRE' button below.

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## Logistics

**Course Dates:**

**Venue:**

**Times: -**

