# How to monitor your school or trust finances



Increased staff costs, inflation and recover from the impacts of the pandemic have add increasing pressures on already tight budgets. As more schools and academies experience falling reserves or in-year deficits ensuring your board is monitoring school finances is critical. This course guides boards on their key financial duties and how to integrate financial reports.

## What you will learn:

- What is the board's strategic financial role?
- Current challenges and changes
- Understanding expectations and legal requirements
- Understanding the reports/data you receive
- What are the key questions you should ask?
- Understanding DfE tools
- Using the DfE financial management self-audit tools
- Ensuring internal scrutiny and managing risk

All delegates receive an electronic copy of the presentation and supporting materials and resources to help them be more impactful in their governance role.

#### Who should attend?

Governors or trustees who wants to learn more about the latest tools and guidance on meeting your strategic oversight of finances and making sure the money is well spent. This webinar is suitable for schools, academies and multi academy trusts.

#### **Tutor**

Rosemary Lovatt is a highly experienced governance consultant who ran the DfE governance leadership programme across the country for three years and within Essex for a further three years. She has extensive experience of undertaking governance reviews and designing, developing, and delivering training for governors and trustees. Rosemary's background is in the corporate sector where she gained 20 years' experience as a senior global leader. She has a BA(Hons) in Accountancy and Business Studies.

Rosemary has chaired boards in a large secondary academy, a maintained primary school, a primary school within a multi academy trust (MAT) and a large junior school within a diocesan MAT, as well as being a trustee in four different MATs.

Rosemary was a designated National Leader of Governance and is currently vice chair of a growing MAT and has recently joined the local governing board of a special school in Essex. Rosemary is also an NGA consultant.

### 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**

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**Price:** or for TSA Members