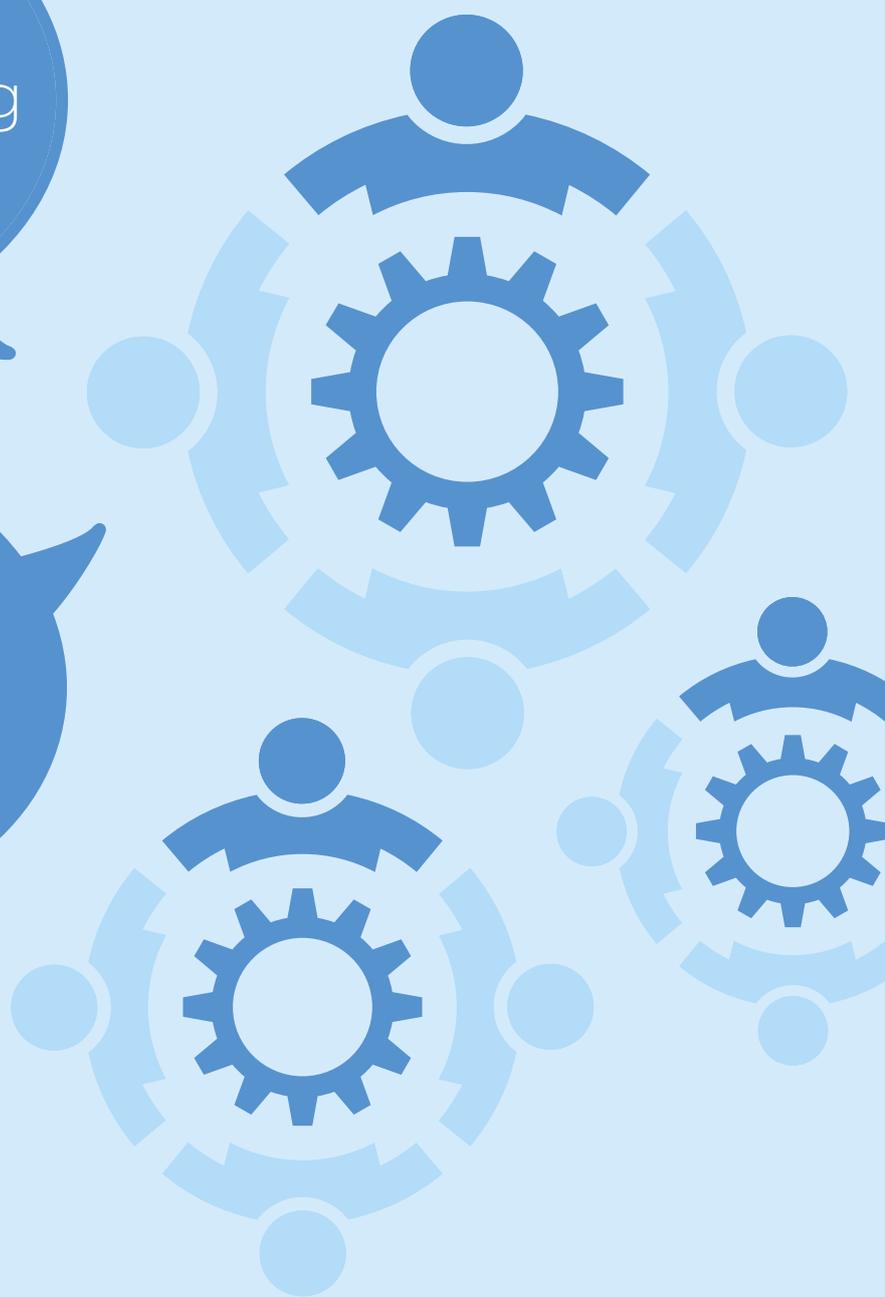


Developing
your governing
board?

Looking for
reasonably
priced quality
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Discover how
NGA can help you

Our consultancy and training is open to all governing boards in England. We offer tailored, quality assured consultancy and a range of key training sessions delivered by consultants with proven governance knowledge and expertise.

Consultancy

Our consultants tailor their approach according to the individual requirements of the school, academy or academy trust. We offer a range of options for reviewing governance structures, appraising the effectiveness of the governing board and building an ambitious and constructive school vision.

External reviews of governance

We offer a range of reviews to cover all circumstances including:

- governance of a local authority maintained school or single academy trust
- governance of a federation
- governance of a school in a multi academy trust
- governance of a multi academy trust

All reviews are tailored to the board's circumstances but typically include:

- a scoping meeting to determine the focus of the review
- a document review
- an online survey of all those involved in the governance of the organisation
- a facilitated session on governance practice
- a detailed written report

Our consultants are:

- carefully recruited for their experience, knowledge and expertise
- quality assured
- flexible in their availability and approach

Supporting your board

We can support your board with:

- **Being strategic**
Working with your board to create a new vision and a strategy for achieving it.
- **Headteacher performance review**
Providing external advice during the headteacher's performance review process.
- **Headteacher recruitment**
Providing external advice during the recruitment process for a new school leader.
- **Developing self-evaluation**
Working with a group of schools facilitating a robust peer review model.
- **Preparing for Ofsted**
Focusing on how the board will demonstrate that it knows its school(s) and a walk-through of the process.

Online self-review tools

We offer a range of reviews to cover all circumstances including:

- **Online board self-review**
A tool for school or trust boards based on the 20 and 21 key questions a governing board should ask itself.
- **Online chairs' 360 degree appraisal**
A 360 degree appraisal provides a unique opportunity to gain valuable insights into your leadership strengths and development needs.

All online self-review tools include a telephone mentoring session with an NGA consultant.

“ A highly objective, but supportive, process to go through... The action plan is concise and clear which will show real impact. ”

Headteacher, Plymouth

“ The consultant was very engaging and gave a lot of food for thought. I really enjoyed the workshop and felt more able in my role as chair after the session. ”

Noran, primary governor, Birmingham

“ Governors have taken effective action in response to the review of governance. ”

December 2016 Ofsted report
citing NGA external review of governance



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Training

Our face to face training is based on core materials developed to meet the real needs of governors and to enable high levels of delegate participation and interaction. These are delivered by consultants with a track record in governing expertise and can be delivered in-school, at a time and date convenient to your trustees or governors or shared between multiple governing boards.

Our training sessions are designed to develop the key skills and knowledge necessary for effective governance of schools and federations, academies and multi academy trusts and will be contextualised to the type of school or group.

Topics

Induction: Becoming a Confident Governor

An introduction to governance and how to be an effective governor that provides the essential context, knowledge and skills for a new governor to approach their role with confidence.

Roles and Responsibilities

Available for those governing in all types of maintained schools, academies, free schools, university technical colleges and studio schools. We can also provide a bespoke service for boards of trustees of multi academy trusts and those governing on their academy committees.

Governing Groups of Schools

Exploring the options available when considering working with other schools and the issues to consider when forming a federation or a multi academy trust.

Forming or Joining a Multi Academy Trust

A practical and informed guide for governors and trustees of single academy trusts, exploring the key issues and steps when considering forming a trust or joining an established trust.

Knowing Your School

A series of three workshops covering: Governor Visits; Assessment Without Levels, and Analysing Data.

Governors and Panel Work

How to approach panel work with confidence, including hearing formal complaints, reviewing exclusions and dealing with employment issues.

Holding the School to Account

Two sessions covering; Developing governors' confidence and skills in questioning and challenging the school, and helping governors understand how to approach courageous conversations.

Effective Chairing

For governing board chairs and aspiring chairs to develop their understanding of leading governance in both standalone schools and multi academy trusts.

Headteacher Appraisal and Performance Management

Increasing governors' knowledge and awareness of staff appraisal, particularly in relation to the governing body's role in headteacher performance management.

A Safe and Healthy School

A series of three workshops covering: Safeguarding – the Governor's Role; Safer Recruitment, and Claims against Staff – the Governor's Role.

NGA is a not-for-profit organisation offering a competitively priced service. Our consultancy and training service is open to all governing boards in England.



NGA has teamed up with Virtual College to deliver an innovative e-learning service.

Access a catalogue of over 50 interactive online training modules to help you improve your governance skills and knowledge. Key topics include: strategy; team work; assessment; staffing; financial oversight; elements of effective governance; compliance; collaboration, and much more.

With 24/7 multi-device access to course materials, learning can be done at any time, place and pace that suits the learner.

Leading Governance

The Leading Governance partnership has a strong track record of developing governance through National College licensed training programmes and workshops, including:

- Chairs of Governors' Leadership Development Programme
- National Clerks' Development Programme
- Workshops: RAISEonline (primary); RAISEonline (secondary); performance related pay; financial efficiencies; forming or joining a MAT, disadvantaged pupils and what governors need to know

“ An excellent session and just what our governing body needed to move us to the next level of effectiveness. ”

Manjit, academy governor, West Midlands



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National Governance Association

The National Governance Association (NGA) is an independent charity that represents and supports governors, trustees and clerks in maintained schools and academies in England.

The NGA's goal is to improve the wellbeing of children and young people by increasing the effectiveness of governing boards and promoting high standards through providing information, research, advice and training. It lobbies UK government and the major educational bodies, and is the leading campaigning national membership organisation promoting and protecting the interests of school governors.

Membership

Join over 55,000 school governors who already trust our expertise.

We have a variety of membership packages to suit your needs and support you in your governing role. Whether it's through providing expert advice and guidance, practical resources, knowledge sharing, or keeping you up to date on education news and policy, we can help you face new challenges as they arise.

GOLD governing board £260

- access to expert legal and procedural advice through our GOLDline advice service
- copies of Governing Matters magazine to the home of every governor and the school
- a weekly e-newsletter featuring the latest education news
- access to members' only content in our online guidance centre
- a free Chair's Handbook
- complimentary copies of Welcome to Governance for all new governors
- three free places at NGA member events and conferences

STANDARD governing board £85

- copies of Governing Matters magazine to the home of three governors and two to the school
- a weekly e-newsletter featuring the latest education news
- access to members' only content in our online guidance centre
- NGA guides available at a discounted rate
- a free place at NGA member events and conferences

Prices valid as at 1 April 2017. Please check the NGA website for up-to-date membership details and for full terms and conditions.

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