

GOVERNING BODY TRAINING PLAN 2025-2026

Annual Training and Strategic Planning

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| 7 October 2025 (4 hours) | Governing Body Strategic Planning Session | |
| Friday 6 th Saturday 7 th February 2026 | Governing Body Strategic Planning overnight session | |
| 7 May 2026 (4 hours) | Governing Body Training Session | |
| 9 June 2026 (3 hours) | Governing Body/Curriculum and Standards Committee – Curriculum Planning | |

Governors Social Event

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| 7 May 2026 | 11Social Event 6 for 6.30-8.30pm (Governors/Co-opted Governors) | |
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Governance related Training/Networking

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| DATES TO BE CONFIRMED | Principal and Chairs AoC Regional Meetings (all followed by Chairs Network) | Zoe Lewis Laura Woods |
| 15 September 2025 (5-6pm) 19 January 2026 (5-6pm) 20 April 2026 (5-6pm) | AoC Chairs and Vice Chairs Q&A Meetings (Zoom) | Laura Woods Petrina Lynn |
| 12 November 2025 (5-6pm) 25 March 2026 (5-6pm) 22 June 2026 (5-6pm) | AoC Chairs of Finance and Audit Networks | Rachel Anderson Jane Castor |
| DATES TO BE CONFIRMED | AoC AI Governance Working Group | Zeta Foster |
| 18 and 19 November 2025 (2 Days) (Training Budget £500) | AoC Annual Conference | Zoe Lewis |
| 24 September 2025 (5-6pm) 11 February 2026 (5-6pm) 3 June 2026 (5-6pm) | AoC Curriculum and Quality Committee Network Meeting | Petrina Lynn |
| 5 November 2025 (5-6pm) 18 March 2026 (5-6pm) | AoC EDI Committee Network Meetings | Sara Mirsalehi |

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| 17 June 2026 (5-6pm) | | |
| TO BE CONFIRMED (Training Budget £200) | AoC Governance Professionals Conference | Zeta Foster |
| DATES TO BE CONFIRMED | AoC Governance Professionals Regional Meetings | Zeta Foster |
| 22 October 2025 (5-6pm) 25 February 2026 (5-6pm) 11 June 2026 (5-6pm) | AoC SEND Committee Network Meetings | Caroline Cannon |
| DATES TO BE CONFIRMED | AoC Staff Governor Conference | Dan Still, Aga Pajura-Jaszczak |
| Thursday 18 September 2025 (4-5pm) Thursday 27 November 2025 (4-5pm) Thursday 22 January 2026 (4-5pm) Thursday 19 March 2026 (4-5pm) Thursday 14 May 2026 (4-5pm) | AoC Staff Governor Networks | Dan Still, Aga Pajura-Jaszczak |
| Wednesday 26 November 2025 (3-4pm) Tuesday 20 January 2026 (3-4pm) Wednesday 18 March 2026 (3-4pm) Thursday 07 May 2026 (3-4pm) | AoC Student Governor Networks | <i>To be arranged for new Student Governors</i> |
| Monday 17 November 2025 (12.30-9.30pm) Thursday 18 December 2025 (12.30-5.00pm) Thursday 29 January 2026 (12.30-5.30pm) Wednesday 4 March 2026 (12.30-5.00pm) | The Education and Training Foundation (ETF) | Laura Woods |
| Induction and Buddy | | |
| Initial standard induction processes and information completed by: | | |
| Mandatory Online Mandatory Induction Training to be completed by new governors : including: IT Acceptable Use Policy - and Practice; Safeguarding; Prevent; Equality and Diversity including LGBT Awareness and Whistleblowing | | |
| Wednesday 24 September 2025 (3-5pm) Thursday 9 October 2025 (3-5 pm) Tuesday 21 October 2025 (3-5 pm) Tuesday 11 November 2025 (3-5 pm) | AoC Induction - online | <i>To be arranged for: any new governors</i> P Neal booked on 24 September G Dobson booked on 21 October |
| Wednesday 15 October 2025 (10-2pm) Tuesday 4 November 2025 (10-2pm) Wednesday 11 November 2025 (10-2pm) Tuesday 2 December 2025 (1-3 pm) | AoC Student induction – online | <i>To be arranged for Student Governors</i> To possibly include AoC Student induction conference in November 2025 |

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| TBC (Training Budget approx £600-750) | ETF Chairs Development Programme | Laura Woods |
| Mentor system in place for: <i>To be arranged for any new Governors</i> This should be the relevant Chair of Committee/or other person designated by the Search and Governance Committee | | |
| Individual Training and Development (College Based) | | |
| Tuesday 4 November 2025 | SARs Meeting | |
| DATES TO BE CONFIRMED | SLT Risk Management Group attendance | |
| Mandatory Training | | |
| At Induction | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ACT Awarenesses • Bribery • Equality and Diversity Awareness • Keeping Children Safe in Education • Prevent • Safeguarding • IT Acceptable Use Policy and Practice | <u>To note:</u> If new or existing governors have already completed the required training within part of their working role/other roles, Z Foster/HR will quality assure their evidence (ideally certification) and if deemed appropriate that element of training will not need to be repeated for the purposes of the College mandatory training cycle |
| All Governors | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keeping Children Safe in Education annual update • Safeguarding annual update • Prevent on a two year cycle + training day topics to be determined (May 2026) | |
| Additional optional training | ETF Governance Learning Platform Various Thrive Modules | |