



Who knowsDiocese of Chichester Governance E-Bulletin:

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Learning with meaning and purpose - to know God and shape the world

'May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.' (Romans 15:13)



Dear colleague,

As the term and year comes to end in a heatwave, we might all begin to have a collective sigh of relief! It has been a challenging year, but you have persevered, supported, challenged, and engaged in all the range of governance activities.

Unlike years ago, governance activities often continue through the summer break albeit at a slower pace, but I would urge you to make the time to be refreshed and re-envisioned. Even more importantly to give headteachers and senior leaders space and encouragement to turn off the laptop and have much needed recuperation.



Have a great summer,
Best wishes

Mike

Mike Simmonds
Governance Development Officer

In this Governance E-bulletin Reminders...

- Virtual Conference 28 Sept.
- Podcast coming in the Autumn
- Making Sense of Church School Governance
- Summer catch up
- Liverpool Hope Course



Bookings on Eventbrite:

<https://tinyurl.com/GovernanceCourses>



We are delighted to announce that the Bishop Martin, the Bishop of Chichester, will open the conference.

During the hour we will explore key issues facing governors and bring specific support ideas from Mike Simmonds and other members of the Diocesan Education Team

Closing the conference will be **Paul Kerensa**, British Comedy Awardwinning co-writer BBC's *Miranda*, *Not Going Out*, *Top Gear*, ITV's *Royal Variety*, C4's *TFI Friday* etc

Join foundation and other governors – all categories welcome - from across the Diocese for an hour at the start of the new year. Not to be missed! [Book all your board in!](https://tinyurl.com/GovernanceCourses)

Look out too for details of the Autumn training courses and the all-new Governance Podcast coming in the Autumn term on the platform of your choice.

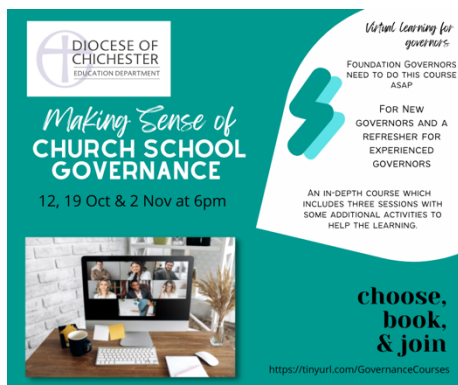


Summer Catch Up – to read if you have a chance!

New Ofsted Handbook - <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-inspection-handbook-eif/schools-inspection-handbook-for-september-2022>

New Keeping Children Safe in Education:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1080047/KCSIE_2022_revised.pdf



New governors joining your board?
New to Church School Governance?
Needing to refresh your understanding?

As a Foundation Governor, you signed you would undertake such a course.
All governors are welcome to enrol on this course.

This autumn a more in-depth course is available which will include three sessions with some

additional activities to help the learning.

Session 1: Church Schools: Vision, history, and theology

Session 2: Governors: Called, Connected and Committed

Session 3: Partnerships: Church, Community, and your Head Teacher

To pass this course and receive a certificate it will be essential that there is attendance at all three sessions and complete the few short activities on our easy-to-use Learning Platform.

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Church School Governance Online Training Programme (CSGTP) Improving Church School Governance

Duration: 6 months | Delivery: Online | Start date: January 2023

Would you be interested in pursuing a more in-depth course on the successful Church School Governance Course run by Liverpool Hope University? We have an opportunity to develop a cohort of students in the Diocese next Spring. This will enable participation in the online course and engagement with colleagues from across the Diocese supported by our Governance Officer, Mike Simmonds.

The course is suitable for new and experienced governors, trustees and anyone involved in Church school governance. Any questions please do contact Mike Simmonds. **Click here to go to the Liverpool Hope website by [clicking here](#).**

Margaret from our Diocese has just completed this year's course and says:

"Transformational, life changing, challenging and inspirational, is how I would describe this Church School course for Governors. It has the power to turn all your current thoughts inside out and gives one a whole new perspective on how to view governance in a Church School context, and I feel better equipped to carry out my role. This is done through many different ways, all rooted in a Biblical context, via a consideration of the raison d'être of Church Schools and the importance of education within them, the values of wisdom, hope, dignity and community, to one's own role, types of leadership and accountability. Invaluable and enjoyable."

If you would find it useful to discuss any of the issues that affect governance, please do email or call our Governance Development Officer [Mike Simmonds](#). He will be working from mid-August.

Next edition of Governors e-bulletin is due week beginning 19th September 2022.