



**19/10/2024 09:15 - 16:15**

**Title:** Annual Governors Conference 2024

**Venue:** Pavilions of Harrogate (Please - report to reception on arrival), Pavilions of Harrogate, Great Yorkshire Showground, Harrogate, North Yorkshire, HG2 8NZ

**Trainer:** Governance Team Trainer

## **NYES Clerking**

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##### **Outline**

The conference will provide all Governors and Trustees with an important opportunity to prioritise time for their own development, gain compelling insights and information from our keynote speakers as well as the chance to network with peers and build lasting connections to further enrich their professional journey.

Workplaces where employees feel safe, appreciated, and looked after are critical to performance. At a time of complex and competing demands on school leaders, never has the duty of governing boards to consider the well-being of staff been so important. Our conference theme of 'Effective governance through compassionate leadership' will support governor's to develop practical and pragmatic approaches to enhance their professional relationships, connectivity, performance, engagement, and well-being as well as reflect on the power of effective governance.

##### **Description**

During the event there will be a masterclass on compassionate leadership led by Steve Hargreaves our first keynote speaker. Steve is an award-winning leadership and culture specialist with over 20 years of experience. An executive coach and mentor, facilitator, trainer, and author of 'The Compassionate Leader's Playbook.' Steve works with leaders and their teams at all organisational levels to help them understand and identify the values, qualities and characteristics required of leaders and their teams to build and sustain a more inclusive, connected, and compassionate workplace. He will give you the information you need to show how leading with compassion is great for business, culture, and the bottom line and how when we lead with compassion everyone benefits.

Charlotte Hodgson Head of Governance Development and Regional Development Lead for Northeast, Yorkshire and Humber from the National Governance Association will be our second keynote speaker. The role of governors is pivotal in shaping the direction and success of an

organisation. By fostering effective governance, chairs can significantly enhance the organisation's performance and workload management. Charlotte Hodgson will discuss and share best practices, strategies, and insights on effective governance and workload management.

09.15 - 10.45 - Session 1: Keynote speaker Compassionate Leader Workshop

10.45 - 11.15 - Break for refreshments

11.15 - 12.30 - Session 2: Keynote speaker Compassionate Leadership Workshop

12.30 - 13.30 - Lunch and networking

13.30 - 14.45 - Session 3: Keynote speaker NGA The Power of Effective Governance

14.45 - 15.15 - Session 4: LA updates and close

15.15 - 16.15 - Refreshments and networking opportunities

## **Outcome**

By attending the conference, it will help governors and trustees:

- to understand the elements of effective governance and leadership as outlined in the Department for Education (DFE) new governance guides published in March 2024
- to understand how strategic leadership sets strategy and champions the school's culture, vision and ethos
- initiate and lead strategic change
- foster a supportive working environment where workload is managed, wellbeing is prioritised, and action is taken to support staff and governors
- to challenge school leaders when necessary and provide appropriate support ensuring the effective implementation of strategic and operational plans
- build positive relationships that encourage a professional culture
- ensure that they have the expertise to fulfil their functions effectively
- by providing information, guidance and resources to help the board understand their duties
- in evaluating their boards effectiveness

## **Audience**

All governors and trustees of schools and academies within both North Yorkshire and the wider area.

## **Booking Information**

Please ensure that it is the DELEGATE information that is booked in order that any instructions for the course or any pre-course information is then available to the delegate.

The cost to attend this course is £125. There is a 10% reduction for purchasers of the Professional Governance Service Level Agreement.

If you have any questions or problems joining the meeting, please call 01609 798864 or email

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