

Training and continuing development programme for Members of the Board of Governors

The introduction of a structured induction and continuing development programme for members of the Board of Governors was endorsed by the Board. Governors' development is structured under the following four headings

- statutory legal and financial framework
- employment framework and responsibilities
- understanding the University
- understanding the Higher Education sector

The development programme has three levels

- broad and general induction for members of board and its committees
- additional deeper training for committee chairs and/or have other specific responsibilities on behalf of the Board
- a continuing development
- adhoc briefings on emerging topics

The programme places early emphasis on the corporate governance responsibilities of Governors and commences with a mandatory induction session scheduled to take place before Governors attend their first meeting. The programme has two aims:

- to enable Governors to undertake their role and responsibilities, which are linked to the principles of public life as expressed by the Nolan Committee on Standards in Public Life
- to increase Governors knowledge and understanding of the University and the higher education sector