

Core Services

Entitlement for all Church Schools & Academies

Our Core Christian Distinctiveness, Leadership and Management Service is subsidised by the Board of Finance. This enables all our Church of England schools and academies to access quality support.

Leadership & Management

- ✓ Initial telephone and email advice and support as required
- ✓ Weekly information from the Education Team via the publication of the E-bulletin and access to information on the Diocesan website
- ✓ Free attendance at Termly Leadership briefings *for Senior Leaders and Governors*
- ✓ Professional support for the recruitment of all Headteacher posts including recruitment information pack and planning visit with the Governing Board from a member of the Education Team. Attendance* at a day of interviews to support the appointment of a Headteacher/Head of School. Support through Headteacher appointment processes (interviews and preparation meetings) and an initial meeting to newly appointed Headteachers
**Subject to appropriate consultation and agreement of dates with the Diocese*
- ✓ Training & Induction (Four remote sessions) and support for newly appointed Headteachers to Church Schools
- ✓ Officer Attendance at Ofsted and/or HMI feedback meetings **subject to availability*

Governors and Governance

- ✓ Annual Governance Audit Report – desktop analysis of school's published governance data
- ✓ Liaison with LAs, governors and clerks on the Instrument of Government (maintained schools)
- ✓ Liaison with Members and Directors within Academy Trusts in regard to Articles of Association
- ✓ Clerks' advice to support compliance with statutory responsibilities
- ✓ Supporting schools on responding to legislation and government initiatives
- ✓ Training for Governors and Directors/Trustees on what it means to be a Governor/Director in a church school
- ✓ Policies and Guidance on governors, particularly Foundation Governors

Property (Estate Management)

- ✓ Initial telephone/email advice regarding property/buildings
- ✓ Access to virtual forums supporting school estate support and management
- ✓ Initial guidance on sources of funding available for buildings projects
- ✓ Capital programs and work with maintained schools to participate in the relevant programmes
- ✓ Land & Building Collection Tool Authorisation for Academy Trusts

- ✓ Working with DfE, National CE office, Local Authorities, SALIX and DBE Services to achieve Carbon Zero for schools

Church School Distinctiveness

- ✓ SIAMS Updates
- ✓ Attendance of a Diocesan Board of Education representative (whenever possible) at SIAMS inspection feedback meeting
- ✓ Initial telephone, email advice and online support on relevant issues