

Council of Governor Meetings and development sessions 2025/26

When	What & Where (Council of Governors, Board of Directors held in person; committees virtually on MS Teams unless stated)	Required Attendees/update (Board Committees require one or two governors in accordance with Terms of Reference, three may be identified to ensure attendance)
Wednesday 2 April 2025 15:00-16:00	EY External Audit Briefing to Governors	All
Tuesday 22 April 2025 14:00-15:00	Charitable Funds Committee	Peter Coleman John Alborough Additional appointed governor to be added once vacancies filled
Wednesday 23 April 2025 09:30-12:30	Performance and Finance Committee	Caroline Bowden David Guest Paul Gaffney
Thursday 24 April 2025 09:30-12:30	Quality and Patient Safety Committee	Gill Orves Jude Omniyi Roger Blake
Thursday 1 May 2025 09:30-16:00	Board in Public. Colchester Rugby Club	Governors are encouraged to attend as many Board meetings as they wish to, ideally at least one in the first year. A link to the papers will be sent once published on the Trust website
Tuesday 6 May 2025 09:30-12:00	Audit and Risk Committee	Andrew Taylor David Guest Tom Harrison
Wednesday 7 May 2025 14:30-16:00	Council's Membership and Engagement Working Group	Governors outside of the Group membership are welcome to attend. Request to attend to be sent to Chair of the Group.
Thursday 8 May 2025 09:30-11:00	Quality and Patient Safety Committee – Deep Dive	Gill Orves Jude Omniyi Roger Blake
Thursday 15 May 2025 14:00-16:30	People and Organisational Development Committee	Pride Mukungurutse Ben Paites Jane Hadlow
Tuesday 20 May 2025 14:00-16:30	Charitable Funds Committee	Peter Coleman John Alborough Additional appointed governor to be added once vacancies filled
Wednesday 21 May 2025 09:30-12:30	Performance and Finance Committee	Caroline Bowden David Guest Paul Gaffney

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Thursday 22 May 2025 11:30-13:00	Informal Council of Governors meeting with Chair	All
Thursday 22 May 2025 13:00-13:30	Colchester and Ipswich Chairty Governor presentation	All
Wednesday 11 June 2025 15:00-16:30	Council's Appointments and Performance Committee	To be arranged directly with Council agreed Committee members
Tuesday 17 June 2025 14:00-15:00	Charitable Funds Committee	Peter Coleman John Alborough Additional appointed governor to be added once vacancies filled
Tuesday 24 June 2025 09:30-12:30	Audit and Risk Committee	Andrew Taylor David Guest Tom Harrison
Wednesday 25 June 2025 09:30-12:30	Performance and Finance Committee	Caroline Bowden David Guest Paul Gaffney
Wednesday 25 June 2025 14:30-17:30	Council of Governors. Daniel Room, Kingsland Church and Community Centre	All
Thursday 26 June 2025 10:00-13:00	Quality and Patient Safety Committee	Gill Orves Jude Omniyi Roger Blake
Thursday 3 July 2025 09:30-16:00	Board in Public. Kesgrave Conference Centre	Governors are encouraged to attend as many Board meetings as they wish to, ideally at least one in the first year. A link to the papers will be sent once published on the Trust website
Thursday 17 July 2025 09:30-12:30	People and Organisational Development Committee	Pride Mukungurutse Ben Paites Jane Hadlow
Tuesday 22 July 2025 14:00-16:30	Charitable Funds Committee	Peter Coleman John Alborough Additional appointed governor to be added once vacancies filled
Wednesday 30 July 2025 09:30-12:30	Performance and Finance Committee	Caroline Bowden David Guest Paul Gaffney
Wednesday 13 August 2025 14:30-16:00	Council's Membership and Engagement Working Group	Governors outside of the Group membership are welcome to attend. Request to attend to be sent to Chair of the Group.
Thursday 21 August 2025 09:30-12:30	Quality and Patient Safety Committee	Gill Orves Jude Omniyi Roger Blake
Wednesday 27 August 2025 09:30-12:30	Performance and Finance Committee	Caroline Bowden David Guest

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		Paul Gaffney
Thursday 28 August 2025 11:30-13:00	Informal Council of Governors meeting with Chair	All
Tuesday 2 September 2025 09:30-12:30	Audit and Risk Committee	Andrew Taylor David Guest Tom Harrison
Thursday 4 September 2025 09:30-16:00	Board in Public, Colchester Rugby Club	Governors are encouraged to attend as many Board meetings as they wish to, ideally at least one in the first year. A link to the papers will be sent once published on the Trust website
Thursday 11 September 2025 09:30-12:30	People and Organisational Development Committee	Pride Mukungurutse Ben Paites Jane Hadlow
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Thursday 25 September 2025 14:00-17:00	Council of Governors. Orwell Room, Kesgrave Community and Conference Centre	All
New Council (post-election)		
Wednesday 15 October 2025 14:30-16:00	Council's Membership and Engagement Working Group. F2F. Location tbc	Governors outside of the Group membership are welcome to attend. Request to attend to be sent to Chair of the Group.
Tuesday 21 October 2025 14:00-15:00	Charitable Funds Committee	
Wednesday 29 October 2025 09:30-12:30	Performance and Finance Committee	
Thursday 30 October 2025 09:30-12:30	Quality and Patient Safety Committee	
Tuesday 4 November 2025 09:30-12:30	Audit and Risk Committee	
Wednesday 5 November 2025 09:00-17:00	Council Induction, location tbc	All
Thursday 6 November 2025 09:30-16:00	Board in Public, Kesgrave Conference Centre	Governors are encouraged to attend as many Board meetings as they wish to, ideally at least one in the first year. A link to the papers will be sent once published on the Trust website
Wednesday 12 November 2025	Annual General Meeting/Annual Members' Meeting	All governors – presentation of the Annual Report and Accounts, a requirement to hold

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Tbc	Tbc	this as soon as possible once report laid before Parliament and published – ideally prior to 30 September (requires 20 members to meet quorum)
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Thursday 20 November 2025 09:30-11:00	Quality and Patient Safety Committee – Deep Dive	
Tuesday 25 November 2025 14:00-16:30	Charitable Funds Committee	
Wednesday 26 November 2025 09:30-12:30	Performance and Finance Committee	
Thursday 27 November 2025 11:30-13:00	Informal Council of Governors meeting with Chair	All
Wednesday 10 December 2025 14:00-17:00	Council of Governors. Daniel Room, Kingsland Church Community Centre	All
Tuesday 16 December 2025 14:00-15:00	Charitable Funds Committee	
Wednesday 17 December 2025 09:30-12:30	Performance and Finance Committee	
Thursday 18 December 2025 09:30-12:30	Quality and Patient Safety Committee	
Thursday 8 January 2026 09:30-16:00	Board in Public. Colchester Rugby Club	Governors are encouraged to attend as many Board meetings as they wish to, ideally at least one in the first year. A link to the papers will be sent once published on the Trust website
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Thursday 12 February 2026 11:30-13:00	Informal Council of Governors meeting with Chair	All
Wednesday 18 February 2026 14:30-16:00	Council's Membership and Engagement Working Group	Governors outside of the Group membership are welcome to attend. Request to attend to be sent to Chair of the Group.
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Thursday 5 March 2026 09:30-16:00	Board in Public, Kesgrave Community Centre	Governors are encouraged to attend as many Board meetings as they wish to, ideally at least one in the first year. A link to the papers will be sent once published on the Trust website
Tuesday 10 March 2026 09:30-12:30	Audit and Risk Committee	
Wednesday 11 March 2026 14:00-17:00	Council of Governors. Orwell Room, Kesgrave Community and Conference Centre	All
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