

VCSE Quality Governance for Board members Masterclass

This two hour master class is for anyone who is a board member, director or trustee of a VCSE (Voluntary Community and Social Enterprise) organisation. With years of experience of working in the sector and personal experiences of being on boards and committees as well as working with them, I have distilled all the important and salient topics a good board member needs to fulfil their duties legally and responsibly into this lively, interactive session.

This master class works well with a single board and can be tailored to a specific organisation, taking into account size, numbers, years in business, employee situation inter alia.

Aim

To understand effective governance and how to fulfil the duties and responsibilities of your role.

Objectives

1. Evaluate your organisation's governance capability and carry out a current board skills analysis
2. Understand the six principles of quality governance and how to apply them
3. Discuss and decide what governance improvements to your organisation are needed and how to plan for change with your employees and address the challenges this presents
4. Formulate an action plan to take away and apply back in your organisation

The master class is supported by a workbook that doubles as a take away handbook with useful information and ideas and further reading and web links.

OUTLINE PROGRAMME

Welcome, objectives, introductions

Governance in the 21st Century

Introducing the topic and key challenges and a tailored oversight of the role and responsibilities of those in governance and the personal skills and qualities needed.

Input and interactive discussion

Challenges in your organisation

Task and discussion

The principles of quality governance

Introducing quality governance and how board members, directors (and trustees) need to work to achieve this.

This is tailored to the circumstances of the learners – i.e. trustees, board of Co. Ltd, CIC board

Group task and exercises, followed by feedback

Demystifying Governance

- Exploring approaches and strategies that meet legal and ethical requirements
- Conducting an audit to identify skills gaps

Trainer inputs, personal tasks and peer discussion

Action Planning

Personal action planning time

Review and evaluation

Flexible Content

Not quite the right content or approach? Consider it a starting point to deciding what the ideal programme is for you. This is a generic master class that can be amended to fit more specific needs or content.