

- **Governor toolkit**

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As a council our vision for all schools is that they are well supported by good or outstanding GBs which, efficiently and effectively, carry out their core functions as described in the Maintained schools governance guide or...

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- **Freedom of information**

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The Freedom of Information Act requires all maintained schools to publish or adopt a scheme of what public information they hold, where they hold it and how it can be accessed by an interested member of the public. From January 2005 an individual...

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- **Accounting guidance notes**

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Extract from the accounting guidance notes
 Definition of expenditure for capital purposes:
 The acquisition, reclamation, enhancement or laying out of land
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- **Capital spending**

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- **About capital spending**

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What is the difference between capital and revenue spending?
 Why can't I charge what I like to capital?
 What are the relevant legislation and accounting codes of practice?
 What can we charge to capital?
 What can we not charge to capital?
 Dealing with...

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- **Exclusions and suspensions**

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The team provides advice and guidance on the exclusion process to head teachers, governors, parents and colleagues for both primary and secondary schools as well as maintaining a database of all exclusions and providing exclusions data as required....

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- **SBM troubleshooting**

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Headteacher has concerns about the SBM capability
 In the first instance they should speak with the SBM in question and explain what their concerns are?
 Could it be as simple as them not understanding your school?
 Ensure their current headteacher is...

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- **Procurement**

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Procurement processes, managing tenders where appropriate, conducting due diligence, benchmarking and evaluating suppliers, negotiating deals and ensuring value for money. Further information can be found on the following websites.
 Buying for schools...

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What is Therapeutic Thinking?Therapeutic Thinking provides a set of principles and an approach that is designed to better understand and meet young people's needs. The underlying theory and a practical, graduated set of tools supports leaders...

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