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**The Challenge of SEND –**

**How effective governance can help**

Saturday 14th June 2025 from 10.15 a.m. - 12.15p.m

*(Refreshments from 10.00 am ~* ***buffet lunch*** *12.15 - 12.45pm)*

At

St Frideswide Church of England Primary School, Cricket Road, Oxford OX4 3DJ

The meeting will explore both local and national issues and the Governance role.

Key Note Speaker: **Prof Adam Boddison OBE**

Adam will include

* A summary of the national position on SEND provision.
* What does effective SEND governance look like in the current situation?
* What are the implications of the proposed Ofsted SEND toolkit for governance
* An insight into the use of AI

Adam is a very experienced Governor, Trustee and Executive Leader. In addition to more than a decade of experience of school and Trust governance, he has held multiple Chair role. He spent six years as CEO of NASEN (National Association for Special Educational Needs) and was Chair of Whole School SEND.

**He has a well-deserved reputation as an outstanding speaker.**

**Developments in Oxfordshire will be explored by**

**Deb Smit** (Assistant Director, SEND and Inclusion at OCC)

And

**Nathan Thomas** CEO The Acer Trust,

Nathan is also Chair of Oxfordshire Schools Forum and a member of the Oxfordshire County Education and Inclusion Partnership (OCEP) which is

shaping an Oxfordshire Education and Inclusion Strategy prior to consultation.

**While the free meeting is aimed primarily at school governors,**

 **others in education will be** **most welcome.**

To book your place please email judith.bennetts@outlook.com saying whether or not lunch is required or via the OGA website – [contact us](https://oga4schoolgovernors.org.uk/contact-us%20/)