



Annual Report from Trustees

1. Treasurer report and Register of Members

The Bank Transactions and Financial statement are attached as separate documents. The main expenditure this year has been the redesign of the IGovS website which is our main communication system with those seeking our support. Other than this we have bought some promotional materials for use when our members attend governor conferences to raise awareness of our services. Three of our members (non-trustees) were paid to develop course content for the Taking the Chair course that IGovS run on behalf of Governors for Schools. This course is free to new Chairs appointed by Governors for Schools or Chairs that IGovS are supporting.

Our register of Members shows that we are consistent at 32 members, we have had 2 members step down but have also recruited 2 new members. Due to the age of our members, further recruitment is an ongoing process.

2. Support requests.

Requests for our services are increasing. Now into its 3rd year of operations, IGovS has had its busiest year to date in 2023/2024. The need for bespoke support to all those involved in leading governance is very real and the demand for our free service is growing year on year.

- 2024 – 75 requests
- 2023 – 68 requests
- 2022 – 50 requests

We have successfully met all of these requests.

3. Support Data

Our data shows that we have supported 350 Schools, providing 1212 hours for free. This support has been provided to 75 Chairs, 61 Boards, 37 Headteachers/CEOs and 15 Governance Professionals.

4. Ongoing strategies

We have 3 ongoing strategies.

- a) Board Builder with G4S and IGovS – this is a package of support available to schools in need of support and in receipt of funding from the DfE. As part of this IGovS will deliver a selection of bespoke training courses for which our members will be paid a fee. In addition the Taking the Chair course will be part of the package but will remain free.
- b) IGovS offer to LA Governor Services – we are working to ensure that those working in LA Governor Services understand that IGovS is a complimentary service to what they offer. As such we are working with NAGAS and GovernorHub to get this message to the LAs.
- c) IGovS Quality Assessed ERGs – A template has been developed and is being trialled in Jan 2025. Once finalised, all members will be briefed on its use with the key factor being the appointment of a QA partner who will ensure consistency of content without affecting our members own approach.

5. Risks

Fund raising – due to the website development, we need to make this a priority for the coming year to ensure we can continue our operations.

Membership – as previously stated, we need to recruit new members in the coming year.

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE PERIOD DECEMBER 2022 TO DECEMBER 2024**

	Notes	UP TO DEC 2024 £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations	1	5,791
Cashback	2	2
		<u>5,793</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Promotional Materials	3	4,642
Service Delivery	4	600
		<u>5,242</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>551</u></u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

- 1 Initial donation by members and subsequent donations be educational establishments
- 2 Cashback service available from bank
- 3 New website design, launch & support and materials for conferences
- 4 Payments to members for preparation and/or delivery of service