

**Essex Primary Headteachers' meetings  
Spring Term 2024  
AGENDA**

**NORTH EAST: Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024  
Colchester Football Stadium, Colchester, CO4 5UP**

<b>Welcome from Nick Hutchings (North East Area Chair) and Clare Kershaw (Director of Education)</b>	<b>9.00 – 9.10 am</b>
<p><b>Local Authority Education Team</b> <b>Helen Lincoln, Executive Director for Children, Families and Education</b></p> <p>LA updates on current priorities including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Director's welcome and updates</li> <li>• Speech and Language support (Lisa Gridley)</li> <li>• SEND Sufficiency Plan (Ralph Holloway)</li> <li>• Wraparound childcare (Carolyn Terry)</li> <li>• Local Quadrant Update</li> </ul>	9.10 - 10.45 am
<b>Coffee break</b>	10.45 - 11.15 am
<p><b>ESSET Outreach proposal</b> Emily Welton, Essex Special Schools Education Trust Professional Officer, will give an update on the ESSET outreach proposal, designed to offer support to mainstream schools.</p>	11.15 – 11.45 am
<p><b>Inspire Wellbeing Services</b> Gillian Box and Victoria Barton will share information about the support that they can offer schools.</p>	11.45 – 11.55 am
<p><b>EPHA Area Meeting – Nick Hutchings, NEEPHA Chair</b> Including discussion of the early recommendations from the Workforce Reduction taskforce.</p>	11.55 – 12.15 pm
<p><b>Alpha teaching hub update</b> Samantha Torr, Director of Alpha Teaching School Hub, will share information on the current professional development opportunities for schools.</p>	12.15 – 12.30 am
<b>Close of EPHA meeting Lunch</b>	12.30 pm
<p><b>Safeguarding forum</b> In the afternoon Jo Barclay will run the termly safeguarding forum meeting – headteachers are very welcome to stay on and attend, and other DSLs from schools across the area will join the meeting. opportunities</p>	1.30 – 4.00 pm