

**Essex Primary Headteachers' meetings**  
**Autumn Term 2023**  
**AGENDA**  
**NORTH EAST: Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2023**  
**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>
<b>Local Authority Education Team</b> LA updates on current priorities including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Director's welcome and updates</li> <li>• SEND Sufficiency Plan</li> <li>• Autism Update</li> <li>• Local Quadrant Update</li> </ul>	9.10 - 10.30 am
<b>Coffee break</b>	10.30 – 11.00 am
<b>Elective Home Education notifications</b> Anita Patel-Lingam, Statutory Education Compliance Manager, will attend the meeting to share information about EHE notifications. There will also be time for any Q&A about attendance compliance, penalty notices, DfE attendance update.	11.00 – 11.30 am
<b>POWER Project</b> Update from Jethro Bogdanov about the POWER Project and how schools can access this support.	11.30 – 11.40 am
<b>Education Access Team update</b> The number of permanent exclusions in Essex rose by around 56% last school year, in line with national figures. Julie Keating, Education Access Team Manager, will attend the meeting to give an update on the data and to share recently published guidance which outlines the support and advice for Essex schools.	11.40 – 12.10 pm
<b>EPHA Area Meeting – Nick Hutchings, NEEPHA Chair</b>	12.10 – 12.20 pm
<b>Close of EPHA meeting</b> <b>Lunch</b>	12.20 pm
<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.  If you plan to attend the afternoon meeting, please make sure you have booked a place via the <a href="#">Education Essex online booking system</a> .	1.30 – 4.00 pm