

DSGA AGM 2011

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT (2010 – 2011)

A year in which the Association has consolidated its operational procedures, its liaison activities, its services and its communication with individual members and relevant bodies

We have

- Reviewed, renewed and strengthened our "Framework for Continued Effective Partnership" with the Derbyshire Local Authority.
- Established a pattern of regular meetings between DSGA Executive members and the County Council Cabinet Member for Education Councilor Michael Longden.
- Continued our Association's membership of the National Governors Association (NGA)
- Sustained and improved our website (www.dsga.org.uk) thanks to the time and effort of Martin Brader.
- Participated in NGA Regional meetings in the East Midlands and liaised with fellow governor associations throughout the region
- Attended and participated in NGA. Conferences and consultative events in various parts of the country.
- Executive members have contributed to the functioning of the Derbyshire Schools' Forum, the Local Social Partnership, the Parent Partnership Service and numerous briefing meetings held throughout the County by the Derbyshire Governor Support team.
- Forwarded responses and comment to numerous DfE consultations.
- Contributed to the "Derbyshire Governor" publication
- Liaised regularly with Jeanette Hamilton and her colleagues in the Derbyshire Governor Support team to aid the provision of good quality advice and information to governing bodies of Derbyshire schools.
- Held regular monthly open meetings of the DSGA Executive at County Hall, Matlock and invited the attendance and participation of members of school governing bodies in Derbyshire.

The Association is lively, active, and vital.

However, the major onus of this work has fallen on a small, dedicated band of people.

As ever, we would welcome further active participation by more members to assist in strengthening our activities and the provision of services.

We hope to encourage this by holding our DSGA Executive meetings at a variety of venues throughout the County in the 2011 - 2012 educational year.

Paul Mason.

Chair. DSGA.