

# Generate Teaching Hub Bulletin

October 2021

*For all schools and partners in Halton, Warrington and Wigan.*

Welcome to the first briefing from Generate Teaching Hub of 2021/22. Generate Teaching Hub formally launched in September as the Teaching School Hub for *all schools* in Halton, Warrington and Wigan.

We are here to provide access to high quality teacher development for teachers in our area. As well as delivering programmes that make up the Department for Education's national reform of teacher training and development, we are a resource to offer information and identify needs to all schools in Halton, Warrington and Wigan.

## **\*\*Key Takeaway Message – Fully Funded NPQs\*\***

The DfE have announced that all six of the reformed National Professional Qualifications (NPQs) will be fully funded! The deadline to apply for a February 2022 start is 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021.



Bookmark [www.generateteachinghub.org](http://www.generateteachinghub.org) – this is our new website which is populated with resources and recommendations for teacher development opportunities. Our latest news already contains events, resources and funding links for timely information schools can access.



Message [hub@wpat.uk](mailto:hub@wpat.uk) to join our mailing list.



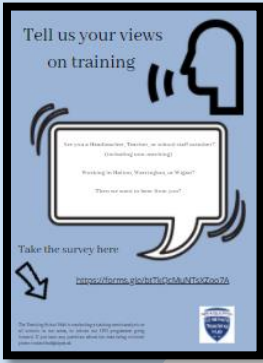
Follow [@generatehub](https://twitter.com/generatehub) on twitter for daily messages.

## **Our Purpose**

Our vision is to connect and empower great teachers in Halton, Warrington and Wigan. We do this by:

- **Generating Improvement.**
- **Generating Collaboration.**
- **Generating Learning.**

## Share Your Training Needs



We are conducting the first survey of teacher training and development needs across Halton, Warrington and Wigan schools. This is crucial information that we can use to align future Hub resources to provide for clear local training needs.

Please complete the survey by 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021:  
[ACCESS THE SURVEY HERE](https://forms.gle/3tU1cKdA1T5o27o76)

[Time to complete: individuals 5-10 mins; school leaders 10-15 mins]

The survey caters for individual teachers, leaders, teaching assistants and non-teaching staff to respond to ensure we understand all training needs. So, *please share with your colleagues.*

## Who are we?

Our [new team](#) is now in place and we operate from an office base located in Simms Cross Primary School, Halton.

Louise Smith  
CEO



Bernard Clarke  
Director



Lesley Dixon  
Hub Manager



Amanda Quirk  
EYFS Lead



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School Direct Manager



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School Direct Administrator



Contact us on [hub@wpat.uk](mailto:hub@wpat.uk) or call 07897 280 909.

Generate Teaching Hub is part of [Warrington Primary Academy Trust](#) and is the only designated Teaching School Hub for Halton, Warrington and Wigan as chosen by the [Department for Education](#).

## Specialist NPQs

This term the DfE launched the revised National Professional Qualifications (NPQs) creating three specialist qualifications, **each one is now FULLY FUNDED** for state school teachers and is 12 months in length with 3 days training, online learning, coaching support and is completed with a formative assessment.



- [NPQ for Leading Teaching \(NPQLT\)](#)  
For those who are, or aspire to, lead teaching in a subject, year group, key stage or phase.
- [NPQ for Leading Behaviour and Culture \(NPQLBC\)](#)  
For those who are, or aspire to, lead behaviour and culture and/or pupil well-being.
- [NPQ for Leading Teacher Development \(NPQLTD\)](#)  
For those who are, or aspire to, lead the development of other teachers, e.g. Mentors of Trainee Teachers or Early Career Teachers.

Go to our [webpage for more details](#) and link to apply via *Best Practice Network* before 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021 to join in February 2022.

## Leadership NPQs

This term the DfE revised the National Professional Qualifications (NPQs) with three reformed leadership qualifications, **each one is now FULLY FUNDED** for state school teachers and is 18 months in length with 4-6 days training, online learning, coaching support and is completed with a formative assessment.

- [NPQ for Senior Leadership \(NPQSL\)](#)  
For those who are, or aspire to be, senior leaders leading across a school.
- [NPQ for Headship \(NPQH\)](#)  
For those who are, or aspire to be, Headteachers leading across a whole school (additional personalised coaching can be provided to new Headteachers).
- [NPQ for Executive Leadership \(NPQEL\)](#)  
For those who are, or aspire to be, executive leaders with responsibility across more than one school.

Go to our [webpage for more details](#) and link to apply via *Best Practice Network* before 17<sup>th</sup> December 2021 to join in February 2022.



**\*\*NPQs Explained\*\*** If you have any questions regarding the NPQ's our partner *Best Practice Network* will be running a question and answer webinar online at 4.30pm on 16th November 2021: [Join for FREE here](#).

## Early Career Framework

Our Early Career Framework programme began in September with over 300 teachers enrolled in local cohorts across the Hub area. Our facilitators have worked hard to prepare and present the programme and our national partner, *Teach First*, is enrolling everyone onto their virtual learning platform.



For schools that employ new teachers mid-term or from January 2022, please contact [hub@wpat.uk](mailto:hub@wpat.uk) to enrol on the Early Career Framework.

## Area Leads

To complement our core team we have 3 Area Lead schools, supporting contact and collaboration in each Local Authority. This structure assists with the Hub understanding local needs and views.



**Halton**

Wade Deacon Trust



**Warrington**

The Challenge Academy Trust



**Wigan**

Golborne High School

## CPD for Early Years

In Spring 2022, Generate Teaching Hub will be running a free, DfE approved CPD programme for *Early Years Transition* led by Amanda Quirk focusing upon the importance of spoken language and self-regulation in the updated EYFDS statutory framework. Content and booking details will be released shortly, to join the waiting list email [hub@wpat.uk](mailto:hub@wpat.uk)

## Appropriate Body

All schools that employ a new teacher must ensure they have enrolled with the Teacher Regulation Agency via an Appropriate Body. Generate Teaching Hub can [offer this service](#), as can your Local Authority. Contact your provider directly for more information.

## Teacher Training Resources

We are building a library of links and references to wider research, material and good practice connected to teacher development.

You can find out more on our [resources page](#) and we welcome recommendations from colleagues to add to the list.



## Key Events and information

- On 17<sup>th</sup> November Generate Teaching Hub is hosting a **meeting of all Initial Teacher Training providers** in our area to share good practice. Invitations have been sent to local providers, contact [hub@wpat.uk](mailto:hub@wpat.uk) if you have not received a message.
- **English Hub's** regularly run events and we add the details of the latest opportunities on our [news page](#) and [twitter feed](#).
- The **Education Endowment Foundation** has [published a guide to effective CPD](#), highlighting 3 key factors needed for improving the impact of teacher learning.
- **NQT+1 Funding:** The DfE has announced a one-off grant of £1,200 for schools in 2021/22 to use with newly qualified teachers in their second year of teaching. For this year only the grant allows schools to fund time off timetable for training and development. [Find out more here](#).

Two local events, independent of Generate Teaching Hub, may be of interest to readers:

- A Wigan led half day **Teacher Development Conference** is being held online on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2021, [details and booking links are here](#) the cost is £50pp.
- In Warrington, a one-day conference on '**Rethinking Educational Priorities and Practice Post Covid**' is being held on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2021, [details and booking links are here](#) the cost is £33pp.

## Thanks for Reading

*Please share this bulletin* with colleagues, schools and networks in Halton, Warrington and Wigan. We want to ensure all our school colleagues have access to the resources and support the Teaching School Hub offers.

And **your views for our training survey** can be [added here](#) up to 30<sup>th</sup> November!