

Anti Academies Alliance Constitution

The Anti Academies Alliance was set up in 2005. It is a broad based campaign supported by parents, governors, teachers, trade unions, academics and others concerned about the privatisation of education using academies, trust schools and other forms. The campaign will actively seek to encourage the widest possible support from all sections of the community and will oppose all forms of discrimination.

Aims & Objectives

- To oppose the further introduction of Academy and Trust schools
- To provide support for parents, staff and governors in Academies
- To build a broader fight for:
 - a good local school with a broad and balanced curriculum for all our children
 - a return of all Academies & Trust schools to local democratic control.
 - a programme of school building and refurbishment to provide more and better schools

Roles & Responsibilities

The national campaign will work with established national education campaigns, local campaigns, trade union organisations, academics and elected representatives (MPs/local councillors) to:

- run a national contact point producing regular mailings and information and contacting the press;
- unite parents, governors, teachers and trade unionists into effective campaigns to oppose academies and defend comprehensive education;
- produce broadsheets and other information along with organising national and regional meetings to give the campaign a national profile.

Policy Determination

AAA policy will be determined by the annual General Meeting (AGM). The AGM will elect a National Steering Committee who will be responsible for implementing this policy and running the campaign.

National Steering Committee

The National Steering Committee (NSC) will meet at least 3 times per year and delegate responsibilities amongst its members, with at least 1 meeting taking place outside of London. The quorum for meetings shall be 5 members. As well as directing and co-ordinating campaign activities, it will make arrangements to run the national contact point, manage the campaign's finances and arrange national conferences.

The composition of the NSC will reflect the breadth and diversity of the campaign. The size of the NSC will be determined by the AGM and the NSC can subsequently co-opt further members on a vote of more than 75% of the committee. All meetings are open to observers.

Affiliated National Trade Unions can nominate a representative as a member of the NSC.

Only representatives of affiliated organisations or individual members can be elected to the NSC.

Records of meetings, financial reports and copies of new campaign material will be distributed to all affiliates following NSC meetings.

Officers

Officers of the AAA will be elected at the first NSC meeting following the AGM. The officers will be responsible for day to day running of the AAA.

AGM

The AGM shall be open to anybody who supports the Aims and Objectives.

Affiliated organisations are entitled to 2 delegates to the AGM. Any number of observers may attend.

Motions to the AGM can come from any affiliated organisation or individual member.

Only representatives of affiliated organisations and individual members will have the right to vote at the AGM.

Affiliation

Any organisation that agrees with the *Aims & Objectives* of the campaign is encouraged to affiliate to AAA. (**Parent & other organisations**: £50 national, £25 and £10 local; **Trade Unions organisations**: £250 national, £100 regional and £50 local. **Individuals** may subscribe to AAA @£5 per annum).