

Collaborating for school improvement: Where next?

Tuesday 2 December 2014, 5pm to 6.30pm
University Place, Room 5.206
The University of Manchester

Speakers:

- **Professor Mel Ainscow (Chair)**
- **Allison Crompton, Rochdale Pioneers Trust**
- **Gary Handforth, Bright Futures Educational Trust**
- **Jenny Langley, Salford Academy Trust**
- **Moira Thompson, Enquire Learning Trust**

The Coalition government has set out a vision for a self-improving education system, based on spreading good practice through networks of schools and a 'culture of collaboration'.

This debate will explore what progress has been made in putting this thinking into practice, within a policy context that places so much emphasis on competition between schools. Focusing on examples of the different approaches that are being currently used in Greater Manchester - including teaching school alliances, multi-academy trusts and headteacher-led school improvement partnerships - consideration will be given to the following questions:

- How are these collaborative partnerships developing?
- How are they being governed and led?
- What are the difficulties and how might they be overcome?

Come and have your say. The event is free and open to all.
Refreshments will be served from 4.30pm.

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