

ICT Audit and Strategy

AT A GLANCE...



A Novatia ICT Audit & Strategy provides an independent review of your ICT, recommending improvements to ensure ICT is effective, enabling you, as a Trust leader, to make key decisions for educational improvement.

The **ICT Audit** gives you clear insight into the present health of your ICT systems and operations. This informs the **ICT Strategy**, clearly stating 'what you need to do next'; allowing you to optimise your ICT budget and ensure your ICT is working effectively to realise your short, and long-term, goals. This strategy is either a 1-year or 3-year strategy, depending on your aim and budget.

Why choose a Novatia ICT Audit and Strategy?

We have nearly 20 years of ICT experience with over 250 clients within the Education sector. We are known for our passion, knowledge, impartiality, and experience of ICT and to make a real difference to learning outcomes in Education.

These are some of the specific reasons why our clients have chosen to engage Novatia to do a Current State Review:

- A lot of time is being spent discussing obstacles to teaching and learning caused by existing technology.
- IT is not advancing at pace with the school's wider development.
- There are issues with ICT access outside of school.
- They require an independent validation of what their IT leads are telling them
- They want to get more from their ICT budget; using existing technology better to boost innovation and creativity as well as the progress of learners.

- Their MAT is growing quickly; they need to take stock of existing equipment and solutions to ensure the best possible performance from ICT across all schools.
- MAT leaders are unable to understand the technical communications from their IT staff.

How can a Novatia ICT Audit & Strategy help?

An ICT Audit gives you an understanding of the true reality of your ICT situation with hard evidence to back up findings. Novatia's independence means that you can be confident that there are no preconceived thoughts or bias. This facilitates accurate budget planning safe in the knowledge that you are investing in the right ICT areas to deliver positive outcomes for staff and students.

You will receive a concise report, written in a clear non-technical way, detailing key findings—often uncovering hidden unresolved issues— together with recommendations and areas for development - the ICT Strategy.

Our experienced Education ICT advisors will, in partnership with you, develop a tailor-made ICT strategy that will meet your own MAT or School's requirement, now and in the future.



Through their knowledge of the ICT market, our ICT experts will take into account technological advancements which can contribute to raising the learning experience for students. You will have peace of mind that your ICT is helping to increase your MAT or school's performance as well as productivity.

How do we work?

Before we set out to deliver this service, we have a project initiation meeting with you, this is to clearly understand what you hope to achieve and what your ICT Vision is. This shapes the focus of the ICT Audit and Strategy to ensure it addresses your priorities.

We will then start the Audit phase which covers all or one of three key areas:

1. Technical
2. Operational
3. Educational

The audit is carried out through site visits, video meetings, document and third-party contract reviews. We will conduct interviews with IT staff and management to understand the current delivery of IT operations. As well as surveys, interviews or focus groups with staff and

students to understand the challenges they are facing and to pick out an ICT opportunities.

We present and analyse our findings with you.

Drawing up a bespoke action plan

Depending on what you wanted to achieve, you can have your IT Audit findings presentation and use that knowledge to put a plan together yourself. Alternatively, we can prepare a more detailed report that includes recommendations and outline actions within a 1-year or 3-year ICT Strategy.

This gives you the ability for better long-term ICT planning alongside your MAT or school's overall strategic plan.

Ongoing excellence

As experts in solving ICT problems in the UK Education market, we are constantly improving and updating our ICT knowledge.

We live and breathe ICT Excellence in UK Education; get in touch and let us share that expertise.

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