

A stylized illustration of a city skyline. In the center, a large, white, oval-shaped structure resembling a toilet bowl is mounted on a tall, white, cylindrical pedestal. The pedestal is surrounded by various buildings of different heights and colors, including a yellow flag on a pole, a blue building, a red building, and a building with diagonal stripes. The background is a light blue and green gradient with abstract, wavy shapes in shades of blue and green.

The 13 roles of a chair

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The 13 roles

1. Strategy - big picture, direction and values
2. Backstop - when the unexpected happens
3. Pre-digester & Sounding board - for ideas and developments
4. Scrutineer in chief – help the board hold staff to account
5. Gracious host - and thanker in chief
6. Manager of the CEO – just like any other role
7. Manager of the board – utilising roles and skills
8. Nudger/nagger - for trustees and staff
9. Meeting maestro – on time and inclusive
10. Ear to the ground – to find out what everybody thinks
11. Brutus – despatching colleagues
12. Cat-herder – moving boards forward on important decisions
13. Meritocratic succession – keeping to the rules of term limits and governance

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