

# Instrument of Government: Voluntary Aided Schools



1. The name of the school is Leigh St Mary's CE Primary School.
2. The school is a voluntary aided school.
3. The name of the Governing Body is: "The Governing Body of Leigh St Mary's CE Primary School".
4. The Governing Body shall consist of:
  - (a) 2 parent governors
  - (b) 1 local authority governor
  - (c) 1 staff governor
  - (d) 1 headteacher
  - (e) 7 foundation governors
5. The total number of governors is 12.
6. The term of office is four years.
7. Foundation governors shall be appointed as follows:
  - (a) 1 appointed by the Diocesan Board of Education.
  - (b) 5 appointed by The Parochial Church Council of the Parish, Ecclesiastical District or Team Ministry within which the school is for the time being situated.
8. The holder of the following office shall be an ex-officio foundation governor:
  - (a) The Principal Officiating Minister.
  - (b) The Archdeacon of the Archdeaconry within which the school is situated shall be entitled to appoint a foundation governor to act in the place of the ex-officio foundation governor, whose governorship derives from the office named in 8.(a) above, in the event that the ex-officio foundation governor is unable or unwilling to act as a foundation governor, or has been removed from office under regulation 21 (1) of the regulations, or there is a vacancy in the office from which this governorship derives.
9. The Archdeacon of the Archdeaconry within which the school is situated, following consultation with the Diocesan Board of Education, shall have the power to request the removal of the ex-officio foundation governor and to appoint any substitute.
10. Recognising its historic foundation, the school will preserve and develop it's religious character in accordance with the principles of the Church of England and in partnership with the Church at parish and diocesan level.

The school aims to serve its community by providing an education of the highest quality within the context of Christian belief and practice. It encourages an understanding of the meaning and significance of faith, and promotes Christian values through the experience it offers to all it's pupils.

- 11. This instrument of government comes into effect on 1 September 2015.**
- 12. This instrument was made by order of Wigan Local Authority on 6 July 2015.**
- 13. A copy of this instrument must be supplied to every member of the governing body (and the headteacher if not a governor), any trustees and to the appropriate religious body.**