

INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT

1. The name of the school is **Wootton St Peter's Church of England School**.
2. The school is a Voluntary Aided school.
3. The name of the governing body is "**The governing body of Wootton St Peter's Church of England School**".
4. The governing body shall consist of:
 - a. **Two** parent governors
 - b. **One** LA governor
 - c. **One** staff governor
 - d. **One** Headteacher
 - e. **One** co-opted governor
 - f. **Eight** foundation governors
5. The total number of governors shall be **fourteen**, except that, at any time when the headteacher has given written notice to the clerk to the governors that s/he chooses not to be a governor, the total shall be **thirteen**.
6. **Seven** foundation governors shall be appointed by the **Oxford Diocesan Board of Education**.
7. (a) The holder of the following office shall be a foundation governor ex- officio:
The Priest in Charge – St Peter's Church, Wootton

(b) **The Archdeacon of Dorchester** shall be entitled to appoint a foundation governor in the place of the ex-officio foundation governor, whose governorship derives from the office named in (a) above, in the event that that 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 where there is a vacancy in the office by virtue of which his/her governorship exists.

(c) **The Archdeacon of Dorchester** shall be entitled to request the removal of the ex-officio foundation governor named in (a) above and to appoint a substitute foundation governor.

8. The school has a trust deed dated **4 June 1870**.

9. School Ethos Statement

“Recognising its historic foundation, the school will preserve and develop its religious character in accordance with the principles of the Church of England and in partnership with the Church at parish and diocesan levels.

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 its pupils.”

10. This instrument of government comes into effect on **1 December 2015**.

11. This instrument was made by order of **Oxfordshire Local Authority on 23 November 2015**.

Signed.....
For Director for Children, Education & Families

A copy of this instrument must be supplied to every member of the governor body (and the headteacher if not a governor), any trustees and to the Oxford Diocesan Board of Education.