

INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT

- 1. The name of the school is **St Michael's Church of England Primary School**, **Steventon**.
- 2. The school is a Voluntary Controlled school.
- 3. The name of the governing body is "The governing body of St Michael's Church of England Primary School, Steventon."
- 4. The governing body shall consist of:
 - a. Three parent governors
 - b. One LA governor
 - c. One staff governor
 - d. One Headteacher
 - e. Three foundation governors
 - f. Five co-opted governors
- **5.** The total number of governors shall be **fourteen**, except that, at any time when the head teacher has given written notice to the clerk to the governors that he/she chooses not to be a governor, the total shall be **thirteen**.
- **6. Two** 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:

Rector of Steventon with Milton

(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 in that capacity, or has been removed from office under regulation 21 (1) of the Regulations, or where there is a vacancy in the office named in (a) above.

- (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 22 July 1863 the first pupils were enrolled thereafter.
- 9. The school's 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 June 2015.
- 11. This instrument was made by order of Oxfordshire Local Authority on 14 May 2015.

A copy of the 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.