

Instrument of Government: Voluntary Aided Schools



1. The name of the school is St Thomas' Church of England Junior & Infant School, Golborne.
2. The school is a voluntary aided school.
3. The name of the Governing Board is "St Thomas' Church of England Junior & Infant School, Golborne".
4. The Governing Board 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, other than the ex-officio foundation governor shall be appointed as follows;
 - 2 governors appointed by the Liverpool Diocesan Board of Education
 - 4 governors nominated by the Parochial Church Council of St Thomas for appointment by the Diocesan Board of Education.
8. The holder of the following office shall be an ex-officio governor:
 - (a) A member of the Lowton and Golborne Team Clergy.
 - (b) The Archdeacon of the Archdeaconry in which the school is situated shall appoint a foundation governor to act in the place of the ex-officio foundation governor whose governorship derives from the office named (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 by virtue which his governorship exists.
9. The Bishop of Liverpool Diocese shall be entitled to request the removal of any ex-officio foundation governor and appoint a substitute governor.
10. Recognising its historic foundation, the school will preserve and develop it's religious character in accordance with the principles of the Church at parish and diocesan level.

The school aims to serve it's community by providing 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.

- 11. This instrument of government comes into effect on 20 March 2019.**
- 12. This instrument was made by order of Wigan Local Authority on 23 April 2019.**
- 13. A copy of this instrument must be supplied to every member of the governing Board (and the headteacher if not a governor), any trustees and to the appropriate religious body.**