

INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT

1. The name of the school is **Horspath Church of England Primary School.**
2. The school is a Voluntary Controlled school.
3. The name of the governing body is **"The governing body of Horspath Church of England Primary School."**
4. The governing body shall consist of:
 - a. **Four** parent governors
 - b. **One** LA governor
 - c. **One** staff governor
 - d. **One** Headteacher
 - e. **Two** foundation governors
 - f. **Two** co-opted governors
5. The total number of governors shall be **eleven**, 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 **ten**.
6. **One** foundation governor 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 Vicar of Cuddesdon, Garsington and Horspath

(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 **12 March 1858** and the first pupils were enrolled on **1858**.

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.


Horspath Church of England Primary School values and supports all of its members as individuals. It is a happy, welcoming and safe environment which promotes learning and self-confidence.

We are a church school:

- Where children from all cultures and faiths thrive, learning skills and behaviours that will guide them their whole lives.
- That underpins teaching, learning and daily school life with the Christian values of forgiveness, respect for others, truth and a sense of accountability.
- Where all children from every background have the very best that the school community can give them so that they are challenged and inspired to achieve their full potential.
- A school that encourages work and play across the age range so that children and staff know everyone in the school community.
- A school that is a key member of our local community.

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

11. This instrument was made by order of **Oxfordshire Local Authority** on **6 February 2015**.

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

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.