

Cockfield Church of England Voluntary Controlled Primary School

Instrument of government

1. The name of the school is Cockfield Church of England Voluntary Controlled Primary School.
2. The school is a Voluntary Controlled school.
3. The name of the governing body is "The governing body of Cockfield Church of England Voluntary Controlled Primary School"
4. The governing body shall consist of:
 - a. Three parent governors
 - b. One LA governor
 - c. One staff governor
 - d. One headteacher
 - e. Two foundation governors
 - f. Two co-opted governors
5. Total number of governors is 10.
6. The term of office of all governors is four years. The ex-officio governor will continue to serve as a governor until such time as he/she relinquishes the office that entitled him/her to his/her appointment.
7. The foundation body entitled to appoint foundation governors is the St Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Board of Education after consultation with St Peter's Cockfield Parochial Church Council. All appointments must be ratified by the St Edmundsbury and Ipswich Diocesan Board of Education.
8. The holder of the following office shall be a foundation governor ex officio:
 - (a) the Principal Officiating Minister of the ecclesiastical parish of St Peter, Cockfield.
 - (b) The Archdeacon of Sudbury 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 (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 there is a vacancy in the office by virtue of which his/her governorship exists.

9. The ethos of Cockfield CEVC Primary School is to nurture a love of learning, open minds, inspire tolerance and awaken a sense of the spiritual. As a Church school we introduce the children to God as Father, Son and Holy Spirit through worship, prayer and song. We also aim to instill values that lie at the core of the Christian faith but are not exclusive to it, such as love, hope, justice, forgiveness, gratitude, generosity, truth and integrity.

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 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 its pupils.

10. This instrument of government comes into effect on 1st September 2015.

11. This instrument was made by order of Suffolk Local Authority on 15th July 2015

12. A copy of the 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.



D Holt
on behalf of
Suffolk Local Authority