INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT OF VOLUNTARY AIDED and VOLUNTARY CONTROLLED SCHOOLS

MADE BY DORSET COUNCIL UNDER THE SCHOOL GOVERNANCE (CONSTITUTION) (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2012 (S.I. 2012/1034)

- 1. The name of the school is: Winterbourne Valley CE VA First School.
- 2. The school is a voluntary aided school.
- 3. The name of the Governing Body is: 'the Governing Body of Winterbourne Valley CE VA First School'.
- 4. The governing body shall consist of:
- 1 Headteacher
- 2 Parent Governors
- 1 Staff Governor
- 1 Local Authority Governor
- 7 Foundation Governors (Including 1 ex-officio)
- 5. Total minimum number of Governors is 12. The number of Foundation Governors MUST outnumber all other Governors (including Co-Opted Governors) by a minimum of 2¹. The term of office is 4 years. Any Associate Members that may from time to time be appointed by the Board are not Governors and therefore have no vote and do not count for the purposes of a quorum.²
- 6. Foundation Governors are appointed by the Salisbury Diocesan Board of Education in consultation with the Parochial Church Council of The Parishes of The Winterbournes and Compton Valence.
- 7. The holder of the following office shall be a Foundation Governor exofficio: the principal officiating minister in The Parishes of The Winterbournes and Compton Valence.
- 8. The Archdeacon of the Archdeaconry in which Winterbourne Valley CE VA First School is situated 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 paragraph 7 above, in the event that that exofficio Foundation Governor is unable or unwilling to act as a Foundation Governor, or has been removed from office under Regulation 24(2).

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¹ Per SGCE Regulation 14(4).

² Per SGCE Regulations 12 and 18(7)&(8)

- 9. The Archdeacon of the Archdeaconry in which Winterbourne Valley CE VA First School is situated is entitled to request the removal of any ex-officio Foundation Governor and to appoint any substitute Governor.
- 10. Winterbourne Valley CE VA First School has an educational trust.
- 11. Recognising its historic foundation, Winterbourne Valley CE VA First 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.
- 12. 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.
- 13. This instrument, which came into effect on 30 March 2021, was reviewed and approved by the School's Full Governing Body on 10 October 2022.
- 14. A copy of the instrument will be supplied to every member of the Governing Body and to the Salisbury Diocese Board of Education.

THE COMMON SEAL of DORSET COUNCIL was affixed hereto in the presence of:-