

**INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT OF VOLUNTARY AIDED SCHOOLS
MADE BY DORSET COUNTY COUNCIL
UNDER SCHOOL GOVERNANCE (CONSTITUTION) (ENGLAND) REGULATIONS 2012**

1. The name of the school is Sandford St Martin's CE VA Primary School.
2. The school is a voluntary aided school.
3. The name of the governing body is "The governing body of Sandford St Martin's CE VA Primary School"
4. The governing body shall consist of:
 - (a) 2 parent governors
 - (b) 1 local authority governor
 - (c) 1 head teacher
 - (d) 1 staff governor
 - (e) 8 foundation governors
 - (f) 1 co-opted governor
5. Total number of governors: 14
6. Foundation governors are appointed by the Salisbury Diocesan Board of Education in consultation with the Parochial Church Council of the parishes or ecclesiastical district in the area served by the school.
7. (a) The holder of the following office shall be a foundation governor ex-officio:

the principal officiating minister in the parish in which the school is situated.

(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 in (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 23(2) of the Regulations.
8. The Archdeacon of the Archdeaconry in which the school is situated is entitled to request the removal of any ex-officio foundation governor and to appoint any substitute governor.
9. The school has a trust.
10. 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 aim of the school is to give each child the opportunity to reach his/her full potential in all his/her abilities. We will develop a happy, caring atmosphere in which he/she can grow intellectually and physically as well as emotionally and spiritually. The school 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 1 September 2012.
12. This instrument was made by order of Dorset Local Education Authority .

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