



St. Michael's Woolmer Green C of E Primary School
The Governing Body of St Michael's Woolmer Green
Voluntary Aided Church of England Primary School:
Instrument of Government

Date of review:

Date of next review:

Responsibility:

Classification:

September 2025

September 2026

Full Governing Body

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Instrument of Government

1. The name of the school is **St Michael's Woolmer Green Voluntary Aided Church of England Primary School**.
2. The School is a Voluntary Aided school.
3. The name of the governing body is **The Governing Body of St Michael's Woolmer Green Voluntary Aided Church of England Primary School**.
4. The governing body shall consist of:
 - a. Two parent governors
 - b. One Local Education Authority governor
 - c. One staff governor
 - d. One Head Teacher governor
 - e. Eight foundation governors
 - f. One Co-opted governor.
5. The total number of governors is fourteen.
6. The foundation governors shall comprise:
 - a. One ex-officio governor as in 7(a).
 - b. Seven foundation governors appointed as follows:
 - i. Two by the St Albans Diocesan Board of Education.
 - ii. Five by the Parochial Church Council in the parish of Welwyn in which the school is situated.
7.
 - a. The holder of the following office shall be a foundation governor ex-officio: the incumbent priest in charge of the parish of Welwyn in which the school is situated
 - b. The Archdeacon of the Archdeaconary of St Albans 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 governor is unable or unwilling to act as a foundation governor, or has been removed from office under regulation 21 of the School Governance (Constitution) (England) Regulations 2012.

8. The Archdeacon of the Archdeaconry of St Albans, in which the school is situated may, in consultation with the Diocesan Director of Education, request the removal of the ex-officio foundation governor and may appoint any substitute governor.
9. The school has a Trust.
10. The ethos of the school is:
 - a. 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.
 - b. 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.
11. This instrument of government comes into effect on 20th November 2015.
12. This instrument was made by order of Hertfordshire County Council on November 20th 2015.
13. A copy of the instrument must be supplied to every member of the governing body (and the head teacher if not a governor), any trustees and to the appropriate religious body.