



Instrument of Government Policy

Person Responsible:	Chair of Governors
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1. Legislation and statutory guidance

Governing boards of maintained schools must have an instrument of government which sets out information about how the board is constituted. This requirement is set out in The School Governance (Constitution) (England) Regulations 2012, part 5, regulation 28.

This model is based on the Department for Education's (DfE) model instrument of government in Annex C of statutory guidance for maintained schools.

2. Instrument of government

1. The name of the school is Thornleigh Salesian College
2. The school is a voluntary aided school
3. The name of the governing board is 'The governing body of Thornleigh Salesian College'
4. The governing board shall consist of:
 - a. 3 parent governors
 - b. 1 headteacher
 - c. 1 staff governor
 - d. 1 local authority governor
 - e. 11 foundation governors
 - f. 1 co-opted governors
5. The total number of governors is 17
6. The term of office for all categories of governor is 4 years.
7. Foundation governors shall be appointed and may be removed by the Provincial of the British Province of the Salesians of Don Bosco (or any other person exercising Ordinary jurisdiction on his behalf).
8. The school was founded by and is part of the Catholic Church. The school is to be conducted as a Catholic School in accordance with the canon law and teachings of the Roman Catholic Church, and in accordance with the Trust Deed of the Salesians of Don Bosco and in particular:
 - a) religious education is to be in accordance with the teachings, doctrines, discipline and general particular norms of the Catholic Church;
 - b) religious worship is to be in accordance with the rites, practices, discipline and liturgical norms of the Catholic Church;and at all times the school is to serve as a witness to the Catholic faith in Our Lord Jesus Christ.
9. This instrument of government comes into effect on March 2023
10. This instrument was made by order of Bolton Council on March 2023
11. A copy of the consolidated instrument will be supplied free of charge to every member and associate member of the governing board (including the headteacher where they are not a governor) and to any trustees and appropriate religious body.

3. Monitoring arrangements

This policy will be reviewed by the governing body annually. At every review, the policy will be approved by the full governing board.