

Bishop Hedley RC High School  
Ysgol Uwchradd Gatholig Esgob Hedley

Instrument of Governance

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**ARCHDIOCESE OF CARDIFF  
INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNANCE  
CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL – SMALL SIZE**

1. The name of the school is Bishop Hedley Catholic High School.
2. 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 Archdiocese of Cardiff and in particular:
  - (a) religious education is to be in accordance with the teachings, doctrines, discipline and general and 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.
3. The school is a voluntary aided school.
4. The name of the governing body is:

The governing body of Bishop Hedley Catholic High School
5. The governing body shall consist of:
  - (a) nine foundation governors (except at any time when the Headteacher has given notice that they chooses not to be a governor, when the number of foundation governors will be eleven).
  - (b) two parent governors
  - (c) one LEA governor
  - (d) two teacher governors
  - (e) one staff governor
  - (f) the Headteacher (except at any time he has given written notice to the clerk to the governing body of the school that they chooses not to be a governor).
6. Total number of governors: sixteen (except any time when the Headteacher has given notice as above that he chooses not to be a governor, when the total number of governors will be fifteen).
7. Foundation governors are appointed and may be removed by the Archdiocese of Cardiff (or any other person exercising Ordinary jurisdiction on his behalf).
8. If there is any excess in the number of foundation governors the person named in paragraph 7 above shall remove sufficient foundation governors to ensure that such excess is eliminated.
9. Subject to regulation (54) of the Education (School Government) (Transition to New Framework) Regulations 1998, this instrument of government comes into effect:
  - On the date of making for the purpose of reconstituting the governing body.
  - On 1<sup>st</sup> September 1999 for all other purposes.
10. This instrument was made by order of Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council Local Education Authority on 5<sup>th</sup> May 1999.

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