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# Freedom of Information Publication Scheme

# Bishop Challoner Catholic College Publication Scheme on information available under the Freedom of Information Act 2000

The governing body is responsible for maintenance of this scheme.

#### 1. Introduction: what a publication scheme is and why it has been developed

One of the aims of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (which is referred to as FOIA in the rest of this document) is that public authorities, including all maintained schools, should be clear and proactive about the information they will make public.

To do this we must produce a publication scheme, setting out:

- The classes of information which we publish or intend to publish;
- The manner in which the information will be published; and
- Whether the information is available free of charge or on payment.

The scheme covers information already published and information which is to be published in the future. All information in our publication scheme is either available for you on our website to download and print off or available in paper form.

Some information which we hold may not be made public, for example personal information.

#### **2.** Aims and Objectives

The **aims** of our school are clearly set out in other policy documentation; set out in the School Prospectus and on the school website. The Governors and staff work together to pursue those aims. This publication scheme is intended as a means of showing, where required, how we are pursuing these aims.

#### **3.** Categories of information published

The publication scheme guides you to information which we currently publish (or have recently published) or which we will publish in the future. This is split into categories of information known as 'classes'. These are contained in section 6 of this scheme.

The classes of information that we undertake to make available are organised into four broad topic areas:

- School Prospectus information published in the school prospectus.
- Governors' Documents information published on the school website and in other governing body documents.
- Pupils & Curriculum information about policies that relate to pupils and the school curriculum.
- School Policies and other information related to the school information about policies that relate to the school in general.

#### **4.** How to request information

If you require a paper version of any of the documents within the scheme, please contact the school by telephone, email, fax or letter. Contact details are set out below.

Email: enquiry@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk Tel: 0121 444 4161 Contact Address: Bishop Challoner Catholic College, Institute Road, Kings Heath, Birmingham B14 7EG.

or you can visit our website at www.bishopchalloner.org.uk.

To help us process your request quickly, please clearly mark any correspondence

"PUBLICATION SCHEME REQUEST" (in CAPITALS please). Please note that if this is not done, then your email may not be identified as an information request and this may lead to a delay in the request being met. If the information request is made during a time outside of school hours or during school holidays, we will try to acknowledge the request as soon as practicable, but be aware that there may be a delay in the information being provided.

If the information you are looking for is not available via the scheme and is not on our website, you can still contact the school to ask if we have it.

#### **5.** Paying for information

Information published on our website is free, although you may incur costs from your Internet service provider. If you do not have Internet access, you can access our website using a local library or an Internet café.

Single copies of information covered by this publication are provided free unless we inform you otherwise. If your request means that we are required to carry out a lot of photocopying or printing, or pay a large postage charge, or is for a priced item such as some printed publications or DVDs we will let you know the cost before fulfilling your request.

## **6.** Classes of Information Currently Published

**School Prospectus** – this section sets out information published in the school prospectus.

Class	Description
Class School Prospectus	<ul> <li>Description</li> <li>The statutory contents of the school prospectus are as follows, (other items may be included in the prospectus at the school's discretion):</li> <li>the name, address and telephone number of the school, and the type of school.</li> <li>the names of the head teacher and chair of governors.</li> <li>information on the school policy on admissions.</li> <li>a statement of the school's ethos and values.</li> <li>details of any affiliations with a particular religion or religious denomination, the religious education provided, parents' right to withdraw their child from religious education and collective worship and the alternative provision for those pupils.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>information about the school's policy on providing for pupils with special educational needs.</li> <li>National Curriculum assessment results for appropriate Key Stages.</li> </ul>

Governor's Documents and other information relating to the governing body— this section sets out information published on the school website and in other governing body documents.

Class	Description
Pupil	The allocation of funding to the school, its use and impact on attainment.
Premium	
Instrument of	The name of the school.
Government	The category of the school.
	The name of the governing body.
	The manner in which the governing body is constituted.
	<ul> <li>The term of office of each category of governor if less than 4 years.</li> </ul>
	The name of those entitled to appoint any category of governor.
	Details of any trust.
	<ul> <li>If the school has a religious character, a description of the ethos.</li> </ul>
	The date the instrument takes effect.
Minutes <sup>1</sup> of	Agreed minutes of meetings of the governing body and its committees for the last
meeting of the	academic year.
governing body	
and its	
committees	
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 $<sup>^{\</sup>scriptscriptstyle 1}$  Some information might be confidential or otherwise exempt from the publication by law – we cannot therefore publish this

Curriculum, School Policies and other information related to the school - This section gives access to information about policies that relate to the school in general.

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Class	Description
Published reports	Published report of the last inspection of the school and the summary of the report
of Ofsted	and inspection reports of religious education.
referring	
expressly to the	
school	
Post-Ofsted	A plan setting out the actions required following the last Ofsted inspection and
inspection action	where appropriate, an action plan following inspection of religious education.
plan	
Charging and	A statement of the school's policy with respect to charges and remissions for any
Remissions	optional extra or board and lodging for which charges are permitted, for example
Policies	school publications, music tuition, trips.
School session	Details of school session and dates of school terms and holidays.
times and term	
dates	
Health and Safety	Statement of general policy with respect to health and safety at work of employees
Policy and risk	(and others) and the organisation and arrangements for carrying out the policy.
assessment	
Complaints	Statement of procedures for dealing with complaints.
procedure	
Performance	Statement of procedures adopted by the governing body relating to the
Management of	performance management of staff.
Staff	
Staff Conduct,	Statement of procedure for regulating conduct and discipline of school staff and
Discipline and	procedures by which staff may seek redress for grievance.
Grievance	
Curriculum	Any statutory instruments, departmental circulars and administrative memoranda
circulars and	sent by the Department for Children, Schools and Families to the Principal or
statutory	governing body relating to the curriculum.
instruments	
Other documents	A full list of other policies is available on the school website:
	https://www.bishopchalloner.org.uk/catholic-college/about/policies

### 7. Feedback and Complaints

We welcome any comments or suggestions you may have about the scheme. If you want to make any comments about this publication scheme or if you require further assistance or wish to make a complaint then initially this should be addressed to: James Bloxidge (j.bloxidge@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk).

If you are not satisfied with the assistance that you get or if we have not been able to resolve your complaint and you feel that a formal complaint needs to be made then this should be addressed to the Information Commissioner's Office. This is the organisation that ensures compliance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and that deals with formal complaints. They can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF

Enquiry/Information Line: 0303 123 1113

E Mail: <a href="mailto:casework@ico.org.uk">casework@ico.org.uk</a>

Website :  $\underline{ico.org.uk}$