

**DIOCESE OF LANCASTER  
INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT  
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL**

1. The name of the school is ***St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School, Blackpool.***
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 Diocese of Lancaster 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 in the trusteeship of the Diocese of Lancaster and is an exempt charity for advancing the Catholic religion in the Diocese by such means as the Bishop thinks fit and proper.
4. The name of the governing body is "The Governing Body of ***St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School, Blackpool.***"
5. The governing body shall consist of:
  - (a) Seven foundation governors;
  - (b) Two parent governors;
  - (c) One head teacher;
  - (d) One staff governor;
  - (e) One local authority governor;
  - (f) Nil co-opted governors.
6. The total number of governors is  $7 + 5 = 12$ .
7. Foundation governors shall be appointed and may be removed by the Bishop of Lancaster (or any other person exercising Ordinary jurisdiction in his name including, where the See is vacant or impeded, the person or persons on whom the governance of the See has devolved).
8. The term of office for foundation governors shall terminate on the fourth anniversary of the date of appointment.
9. This Instrument of Government comes into effect on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2015.
10. This Instrument was approved by the Diocese of Lancaster on 10<sup>th</sup> July 2015 and made by order of Blackpool Council on 1 August 2015.

A copy of the instrument must be supplied to every member of the governing body (and any head teacher if not a governor), and the Diocese of Lancaster.