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CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF A PRIVATE LIMITED COMPANY

Company No. 7649422

The Registrar of Companies for England and Wales, hereby certifies that

METHODIST INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS TRUST

is this day incorporated under the Companies Act 2006 as a private company, that the company is limited by guarantee, and the situation of its registered office is in England/Wales

Given at Companies House on 26th May 2011



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In accordance with Section 9 of the Companies Act 2006

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Application to register a company



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What this form is for

You may use this form to register a private or public company

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Part 1	Company	details
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→ Filling in this form

Please complete in typescript or in

		bold black capitals
		All fields are mandatory unless specified or indicated by *
A1	Company details	
	Please show the proposed company name below	Ouplicate names Duplicate names are not permitted A
Proposed company name in full •	METHODIST INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS TRUST	list of registered names can be found on our website There are various rules that may affect your choice of name
For official use		More information is available at www.companieshouse.gov.uk
A2	Company name restrictions ⊙	
	Please tick the box only if the proposed company name contains sensitive or restricted words or expressions that require you to seek comments of a government department or other specified body	② Company name restrictions A list of sensitive or restricted words or expressions that require consent can be found in guidance available
	I confirm that the proposed company name contains sensitive or restricted words or expressions and that approval, where appropriate, has been sought of a government department or other specified body and I attach a copy of their response	on our website www.companieshouse.gov.uk
A3	Exemption from name ending with 'Limited' or 'Cyfyngedig'	
	Please tick the box if you wish to apply for exemption from the requirement to have the name ending with 'Limited', Cyfyngedig' or permitted alternative	Name ending exemption Only private companies that are limited by guarantee and meet other
	I confirm that the above proposed company meets the conditions for exemption from the requirement to have a name ending with 'Limited', 'Cyfyngedig' or permitted alternative	specific requirements are eligible to apply for this For more details, please go to our website www.companieshouse.gov.uk
A4	Company type [©]	
	Please tick the box that describes the proposed company type and members' liability (only one box must be ticked) Public limited by shares Private limited by shares Private limited by quarantee	● Company type If you are unsure of your company's type, please go to our website www.companieshouse.gov.uk

Application to register a company Α5 Situation of registered office • Registered office Please tick the appropriate box below that describes the situation of the Every company must have a proposed registered office (only one box must be ticked) registered office and this is the **England and Wales** address to which the Registrar will Wales send correspondence Scotland For England and Wales companies, Northern Ireland the address must be in England or For Welsh, Scottish or Northern Ireland companies, the address must be in Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland respectively Registered office address @ **A6 ②** Registered office address Please give the registered office address of your company You must ensure that the address shown in this section is consistent Building name/number Methodist Church House with the situation indicated in Street 25 Marylebone Road section A5 You must provide an address in England or Wales for companies to Post town be registered in England and Wales London You must provide an address in County/Region Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland for companies to be registered in | 5 | J | R Postcode Wales, Scotland or Northern Ireland respectively Α7 Articles of association o Please choose one option only and tick one box only For details of which company type can adopt which model articles, I wish to adopt one of the following model articles in its entirety. Please tick Option 1 please go to our website only one box www.companieshouse.gov.uk Private limited by shares Private limited by guarantee Public company Option 2 I wish to adopt the following model articles with additional and/or amended provisions I attach a copy of the additional and/or amended provision(s) Please tick only one box Private limited by shares Private limited by guarantee Public company Option 3 I wish to adopt entirely bespoke articles. I attach a copy of the bespoke articles to this application **A8** Restricted company articles @ Please tick the box below if the company's articles are restricted • Restricted company articles Restricted company articles are those containing provision for entrenchment For more details, please go to our website www.companieshouse.gov.uk

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Part 2 Proposed officers

For private companies the appointment of a secretary is optional, however, if you do decide to appoint a company secretary you must provide the relevant details. Public companies are required to appoint at least one secretary.

Private companies must appoint at least one director who is an individual. Public companies must appoint at least two directors, one of which must be an individual.

For a secretary who is an individual, go to Section B1, For a corporate secretary, go to Section C1, For a director who is an individual, go to Section D1, For a corporate director, go to Section E1

Secretary	'	
B1	Secretary appointments •	
	Please use this section to list all the secretary appointments taken on formation For a corporate secretary, complete Sections C1-C5	• Corporate appointments For corporate secretary appointments, please complete
Title*		section C1-C5 instead of section B
Full forename(s)		Additional appointments
Surname		If you wish to appoint more than one secretary, please use
Former name(s) 2		the 'Secretary appointments' continuation page
		Please provide any previous names which have been used for business purposes in the last 20 years Married women do not need to give former names unless previously used for business purposes
B2	Secretary's service address €	
Building name/number		Service address
Street		This is the address that will appear on the public record. This does not have to be your usual residential address.
Post town		Please state 'The Company's
County/Region		Registered Office' if your service address will be recorded in the
Postcode		proposed company's register of secretaries as the company's registered office
Country		If you provide your residential address here it will appear on the public record
B3	Signature o	
	I consent to act as secretary of the proposed company named in Section A1	© Signature The person named above consents
Signature	Signature X	to act as secretary of the proposed company

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Corporate secretary

C1	Corporate secretary appointments •					
	Please use this section to list all the corporate secretary appointments taken on formation	Additional appointments If you wish to appoint more than one corporate secretary, please use the				
Name of corporate body/firm		'Corporate secretary appointments' continuation page				
Building name/number		Registered or principal address This is the address that will appear on the public record. This address				
Street		must be a physical location for the delivery of documents. It cannot be a PO box number (unless contained within a full address). DX number or				
Post town		LP (Legal Post in Scotland) number				
 County/Region						
Postcode						
Country						
C2	Location of the registry of the corporate body or firm					
	is the corporate secretary registered within the European Economic Area (EEA)?					
	 → Yes Complete Section C3 only → No Complete Section C4 only 					
СЗ	EEA companies ®					
	Please give details of the register where the company file is kept (including the relevant state) and the registration number in that register	● EEA A full list of countries of the EEA can be found in our guidance www.companieshouse.gov.uk				
Where the company/ firm is registered ூ		This is the register mentioned in Article 3 of the First Company Law Directive (68/151/EEC)				
Registration number		pricetive (corranted)				
C4	Non-EEA companies					
	Please give details of the legal form of the corporate body or firm and the law by which it is governed. If applicable, please also give details of the register in which it is entered (including the state) and its registration number in that register.	Non-EEA Where you have provided details of the register (including state) where the company or firm is registered,				
Legal form of the corporate body or firm		you must also provide its number in that register				
Governing law						
If applicable, where the company/firm is registered ©						
Registration number						
C5	Signature 9					
	I consent to act as secretary of the proposed company named in Section A1	ூ Signature				
Signature	Signature X	The person named above consents to act as corporate secretary of the proposed company				

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Director

D1	Director appointments •	
	Please use this section to list all the director appointments taken on formation For a corporate director, complete Sections E1-E5	Appointments Private companies must appoint at least one director who is an
Title*		individual Public companies must appoint at least two directors, one of
Full forename(s)	David Gerald	which must be an individual
Surname	Deeks	② Former name(s) Please provide any previous names
Former name(s)		which have been used for business purposes in the last 20 years Married women do not need to give former names unless previously used for business purposes.
Country/State of residence •	United Kingdom	© Country/State of residence
Nationality	British	This is in respect of your usual residential address as stated in
Date of birth	0 5 0 7 1 9 4 72	section D4
Business occupation (if any) o		Business occupation If you have a business occupation, please enter here. If you do not, please leave blank
		Additional appointments If you wish to appoint more than one director, please use the 'Director appointments' continuation page
D2	Director's service address of an You must also fill a the director's	Service address
	Please complete the service address below You must also fill in the director's usual residential address in Section D4	This is the address that will appear
Building name/number	The Company's Registered Office	on the public record This does not have to be your usual residential
Street		address Please state 'The Company's Registered Office' if your service
Post town		address will be recorded in the proposed company's register of
County/Region		directors as the company's registered office
Postcode		If you provide your residential address here it will appear on the
Country		public record
D3	Signature ®	<u> </u>
	I consent to act as director of the proposed company named in Section A1	O Signature
Signature	Signature	The person named above consents to act as director of the proposed
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Director

D1	Director appointments •				
	Please use this section to list all the director appointments taken on formation For a corporate director, complete Sections E1-E5	Appointments Private companies must appoint at least one director who is an			
Title*		individual Public companies must appoint at least two directors, one of			
Full forename(s)	David	which must be an individual			
Surname	Gamble	• Former name(s) Please provide any previous names			
Former name(s) •		which have been used for business purposes in the last 20 years Married women do not need to give former names unless previously used			
Country/State of residence €	United Kingdom	for business purposes.			
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Date of birth	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	residential address as stated in Section D4			
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		Additional appointments If you wish to appoint more than one director, please use the 'Director appointments' continuation page			
D2	Director's service address ®				
	Please complete the service address below You must also fill in the director's usual residential address in Section D4	Service address This is the address that will appear			
Building name/number	The Company's Registered Office	on the public record This does not have to be your usual residential			
Street		address Please state 'The Company's Registered Office' if your service			
Post town		address will be recorded in the proposed company's register of			
County/Region		directors as the company's registered office			
Postcode		If you provide your residential			
Country		address here it will appear on the public record			
D3	Signature ®	1			
	I consent to accas director of the proposed company named in Section A1.	⊙ Signature			
Signature	Signature X	The person named above consents to act as director of the proposed company			

Corporate director

E1	Corporate director appointments •					
	Please use this section to list all the corporate directors taken on formation	Additional appointments				
Name of corporate body or firm		If you wish to appoint more than one corporate director, please use the 'Corporate director appointments' continuation page				
Building name/number		Registered or principal address				
Street		This is the address that will appear on the public record. This address must be a physical location for the delivery of documents. It cannot be				
Post town		a PO box number (unless contained within a full address), DX number or				
County/Region		LP (Legal Post in Scotland) number				
Postcode						
Country						
E2	Location of the registry of the corporate body or firm					
	Is the corporate director registered within the European Economic Area (EEA)? → Yes Complete Section E3 only → No Complete Section E4 only					
E3	EEA companies ®					
	Please give details of the register where the company file is kept (including the relevant state) and the registration number in that register	● EEA A full list of countries of the EEA can be found in our guidance				
Where the company/		www.companieshouse.gov.uk				
firm is registered •		This is the register mentioned in Article 3 of the First Company Law				
Registration number		Directive (68/151/EEC)				
E4	Non-EEA companies					
	Please give details of the legal form of the corporate body or firm and the law by which it is governed. If applicable, please also give details of the register in which it is entered (including the state) and its registration number in that register.	• Non-EEA Where you have provided details of the register (including state) where the company or firm is registered,				
Legal form of the corporate body or firm		you must also provide its number in that register				
Governing law						
If applicable, where the company/firm is registered •						
If applicable, the registration number						
E5	Signature [©]					
	I consent to act as director of the proposed company named in Section A1	③ Signature				
Signature	X X	The person named above consents to act as corporate director of the proposed company				

Part 3	Statement	of capital				
		y have share capital?				
		plete the sections belo				
	→ No Got	to Part 4 (Statement	of guarantee)		1	
61	Share capital in	pound sterling (£)			
Please complete the ta If all your issued capita			ld in pound sterling and then go to Section F4			
Class of shares (E g Ordinary/Preference etc)		Amount paid up on each share ① Amount (if any) unpaid on each share ①		Number of sha	res 0	Aggregate nominal value 3
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Total aggregate nominal value ©						
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F4	Statement of capital (Prescribed particulars of rights attached to shares)						
	Please give the prescribed particulars of rights attached to shares for each class of share shown in the statement of capital share tables in Sections F1 and F2	• Prescribed particulars of rights attached to shares					
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F5	Initial shareholdings								
	This section should	only be completed b	y companies inc	orporating with s	hare capital	Initial sharehold	lings		
	Please complete the	he details below for	each subscriber			Please list the company's subscribers in alphabetical order			
	The addresses will subscribers' usual	The addresses will appear on the public record These do not need to be the subscribers' usual residential address							
Subscriber's details		Class of share	Number of shares	Currency	Nominal value of each share	Amount (if any) unpaid	Amount paid		
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Part 4	Statement of guarantee	
	Is your company limited by guarantee?	
	→ Yes Complete the sections below	
	→ No Go to Part 5 (Statement of compliance)	
G1	Subscribers	
	Please complete this section if you are a subscriber of a company limited by guarantee. The following statement is being made by each and every person named below	Name Please use capital letters Address
	I confirm that if the company is wound up while I am a member, or within one year after I cease to be a member, I will contribute to the assets of the company by such amount as may be required for - payment of debts and liabilities of the company contracted before I cease to be a member, - payment of costs, charges and expenses of winding up, and, - adjustment of the rights of the contributors among ourselves, not exceeding the specified amount below	The addresses in this section will appear on the public record They do not have to be the subscribers' usual residential address Amount guaranteed Any valid currency is permitted Continuation pages Please use a 'Subscribers' continuation page if necessary
	Subscriber's details	
Forename(s) •	David Gerald	
Surname •	Deeks	
Address 🛭	1 Shields Avenue, Bristol	
Postcode	BS70RR	
Amount guaranteed	£1 00	
	Subscriber's details	
Forename(s) •	David	
Surname •	Gamble	
Address 2	37 Twyford Avenue, London	
Postcode	N 2 9 N U	
Amount guaranteed	£1 00	
-	Subscriber's details	
Forename(s) •		
Surname •		
Address 2		
Postcode		
Amount guaranteed •		

	Subscriber's details	Name
Forename(s) •		Please use capital letters
Surname •		• Address The addresses in this section will
Address ②		appear on the public record They do not have to be the subscribers' usua residential address
Postcode		Amount guaranteed Any valid currency is permitted
Amount guaranteed		Continuation pages Please use a 'Subscribers'
	Subscriber's details	continuation page if necessary
Forename(s) •		
Surname •		
Address 9		
Postcode		
Amount guaranteed 9		
	Subscriber's details	-
Forename(s) •		-
Surname •		-
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Surname •		•
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Statement of compliance Part 5 This section must be completed by all companies Is the application by an agent on behalf of all the subscribers? Go to Section H1 (Statement of compliance delivered by the subscribers) → Yes Go to Section H2 (Statement of compliance delivered by an agent) H1 Statement of compliance delivered by the subscribers • Statement of compliance Please complete this section if the application is not delivered by an agent delivered by the subscribers for the subscribers of the memorandum of association Every subscriber to the memorandum of association must sign the statement of compliance I confirm that the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 as to registration have been complied with Subscriber's signature Signature X X Subscriber's signature X Subscriber's signature X X Subscriber's signature X X Subscriber's signature X X Subscriber's signature X Signature Subscriber's signature X X Subscriber's signature X X

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Subscriber's signature	x Daniel	×	
Subscriber's signature	Signature	×	
Subscriber's signature	Signature X	×	
H2	Statement of compliance delivered by an agent]	
	Please complete this section if this application is delivered by an agent for the subscribers to the memorandum of association		
Agent's name	POTHSCARY WITHAM WELD SOLICITORS	_	
Building name/number	אפן פר		
Street	ST GEONGE'S SQUANE	_	
Post town	LUNDUN		
County/Region		-	
Postcode	5 W 1 V 3 R 7		
Country			
	I confirm that the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 as to registration have been complied with	n	
Agent's signature	X A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A	X	

Presenter information You do not have to give any contact information, but if you do it will help Companies House if there is a query on the form. The contact information you give will be visible to searchers of the public record Tom Cadman Pothecary Witham Weld 70 St George's Square Past town County/Region London Postcod s w R United Kingdom 86164 Victoria 2 020 7821 8211 Certificate We will send your certificate to the presenters address (shown above) or if indicated to another address At the registered office address (Given in Section A6) ☐ At the agents address (Given in Section H2) Checklist We may return forms completed incorrectly or with information missing Please make sure you have remembered the following You have checked that the proposed company name is available as well as the various rules that may affect your choice of name. More information can be found in guidance on our website ☐ If the name of the company is the same as one already on the register as permitted by The Company and Business Names (Miscellaneous Provisions) Regulations 2008, please attach consent ☐ You have used the correct appointment sections ☐ Any addresses given must be a physical location They cannot be a PO Box number (unless part of a full service address), DX or LP (Legal Post in Scotland) ☐ The document has been signed, where indicated

Important information

Please note that all information on this form will appear on the public record, apart from information relating to usual residential addresses

How to pay

A fee is payable on this form

Make cheques or postal orders payable to
'Companies House' For information on fees, go
to www.companieshouse.gov.uk

☑ Where to send

You may return this form to any Companies House address, however for expediency we advise you to return it to the appropriate address below

For companies registered in England and Wales The Registrar of Companies, Companies House, Crown Way, Cardiff, Wales, CF14 3UZ DX 33050 Cardiff

For companies registered in Scotland
The Registrar of Companies, Companies House,
Fourth floor, Edinburgh Quay 2,
139 Fountainbridge, Edinburgh, Scotland, EH3 9FF
DX ED235 Edinburgh 1
or LP - 4 Edinburgh 2 (Legal Post)

For companies registered in Northern Ireland The Registrar of Companies, Companies House, Second Floor, The Linenhall, 32-38 Linenhall Street, Belfast, Northern Ireland, BT2 8BG DX 481 N R Belfast 1

Section 243 exemption

If you are applying for, or have been granted a section 243 exemption, please post this whole form to the different postal address below The Registrar of Companies, PO Box 4082, Cardiff, CF14 3WE

Further information

For further information, please see the guidance notes on the website at www.companieshouse.gov.uk or email enquiries@companieshouse.gov.uk

This form is available in an alternative format. Please visit the forms page on the website at www.companieshouse.gov.uk

□ All relevant attachments have been included
 □ You have enclosed the Memorandum of Association

You have enclosed the correct fee

MEMORANDUM AND ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

of

METHODIST INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS TRUST

Pothecary Witham Weld Solicitors 70 St George's Square London SW1V 3RD

DX 86164 VICTORIA 2

Tel 020 7821 8211 Fax 020 7630 6484

Ref TW/17640/0066

Companies Acts 1985 to 2006

Company limited by guarantee

MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION

of

METHODIST INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS TRUST

Each subscriber to this Memorandum of Association wishes to form a company under the Companies Act 2006 and agrees to become a member of the company

Name of each subscriber

Authentication by each subscriber

DAVID GERALD DEEKS

Wend 5 Wooks

DAVID GAMBLE

Date 20 MAY 2011

Companies Acts 1985 to 2006 Company limited by guarantee

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF METHODIST INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS TRUST

Article Number

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- 2 Powers
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1 Objects

- 1 1 The Objects of the Charity are -
- 1 1 1 the advancement of education in accordance with the Principles of the Methodist Church, and
- 1 1 2 such other charitable purposes of the Methodist Church as the Conference shall from time to time by resolution direct

2 Powers

The Charity has the following powers, which may be exercised only in promoting the Objects -

- 2.1 to take over the assets and functions of the unincorporated charity known as the Board of Management for Methodist Independent Schools,
- 2 2 to delegate in a manner consistent with the Code of Practice to a body of local governors or to a company all or any part of their functions, the constitution, powers and duties of such local governors or company to be set forth for each of the Schools in the Instrument of Government drawn up by the Trustees and, in the case of any such company, in its memorandum and articles of association.
- 2 3 to administer the Schools in particular by -
- 2 3 1 working with the Chairs of the Governors and Heads to ensure that the Schools are effectively governed and managed,
- encouraging and assisting the Schools, in acknowledgement of their accountability to the Conference, to play their full part in pursuing the mission of the Methodist Church,
- 2 3 3 encouraging and assisting the Schools to be faithful to their common Mission Statement,
- 2 3 4 exercising effective and prudent stewardship of the assets of the School and help them maintain robust financial health and encourage them to invest in new facilities and programmes,
- 2 3 5 generating a culture and system for developing long term strategies and development plans for the Schools and to support the Schools as they work towards the aspirations and objectives in their own development plans, and
- 2 3 6 facilitating collaboration between all the Schools to help raise their operating efficiency and enhance the breadth and quality of their activities,
- 2.4 to establish or support any charitable trusts, associations or institutions for the charitable purposes (or any of them) of any of the Schools or otherwise for such purposes in connection with the charitable objects of the Methodist Church as the Conference shall from time to time by resolution direct,

- to vest in the 1903 Trustees as (or to retain the vesting of the 1903 Trustees as) the holding trustees any real or personal property held by them as at the date of the incorporation of the Charity and to vest the legal estate and title of any real or personal property acquired after that date in the names of the 1903 Trustees,
- 2 6 to provide advice or information,
- 2 7 to carry out research,
- 2 8 to co-operate with other bodies,
- 2 9 to support, administer or set up other charities,
- 2 10 to accept gifts and to raise funds (but not by means of taxable trading),
- 2 11 to borrow money,
- 2 12 to give security for loans or other obligations (but only in accordance with the restrictions imposed by the Charities Act),
- 2 13 to acquire or hire property of any kind,
- 2 14 to let or dispose of property of any kind (but only in accordance with the restrictions imposed by the Charities Act),
- 2 15 to set aside funds for special purposes or as reserves against future expenditure,
- 2 16 to deposit or invest its funds in any manner (but to invest only after obtaining such advice from a financial expert as the Trustees consider necessary and having regard to the suitability of investments and the need for diversification),
- 2 17 to delegate the management of investments to a financial expert, but only on terms that
- 2 17 1 the investment policy is set down in writing for the financial expert by the Trustees,
- 2 17 2 timely reports of all transactions are provided to the Trustees,
- 2 17 3 the performance of the investments is reviewed regularly with the Trustees,
- 2 17 4 the Trustees are entitled to cancel the delegation arrangement at any time,

- 2 17 5 the investment policy and the delegation arrangement are reviewed at least once a year,
- 2 17 6 all payments due to the financial expert are on a scale or at a level which is agreed in advance and are notified promptly to the Trustees on receipt, and
- 2 17 7 the financial expert must not do anything outside the powers of the Charity,
- with the consent of the 1903 Trustees to arrange for investments or other property of the Charity to be held in the name of a nominee company acting under the direction of the Trustees or controlled by a financial expert acting under their instructions and to pay any reasonable fee required,
- 2 19 to deposit documents and physical assets with any company registered or having a place of business in England or Wales as custodian and to pay any reasonable fee required,
- 2 20 to insure the property of the Charity against any foreseeable risk and take out other insurance policies to protect the Charity when required,
- 2 21 subject to Article 6 3, to employ paid or unpaid agents, staff or advisers,
- 2 22 to enter into contracts to provide services to or on behalf of other bodies,
- 2 23 to establish or acquire subsidiary companies,
- 2 24 to act as a holding trustee, and
- 2 25 to do anything else within the law which promotes or helps to promote the Objects,

3 The Trustees

- The Trustees as charity trustees have control of the Charity and its property and funds
- The subscribers to the Memorandum (being the first Members) are also the first Trustees For the avoidance of doubt the period between incorporation of the Charity and the date with effect from which the Conference re-appoints the first Trustees at the Conference in 2011 shall not constitute a term of office
- The Trustees, when complete, consist of at least 10 and not more than 14 individuals over the age of 18, all of whom must support the Objects and of whom at least 50% shall be members

of the Methodist Church PROVIDED THAT at no time shall more than 50% of the Trustees be serving Governors AND FURTHER PROVIDED THAT until the Conference in 2011 the minimum number of Trustees shall be 2

- A Trustee may not act as a Trustee unless he/she has signed a written declaration of willingness to act as a charity trustee of the Charity
- The Trustees shall be appointed by the Conference and, with effect from the Conference in 2011, shall consist of the following -
- 351 the Chair,
- 3 5 2 3 Chairs of Governors Trustees,
- 3 5 3 no more than 5 Methodist Council Trustees, and
- 3 5 4 no more than 5 Nominated Trustees,
- 3 6 The Trustees shall be appointed for terms of no more than 3 years but may be eligible for reappointment in the manner as set out below
- The Chair, the Methodist Council Trustees and the Nominated Trustees may be reappointed at the expiry of their terms of offices provided that no such trustee may serve more than 3 consecutive terms
- The Chairs of Governors Trustees shall only be eligible to serve a single term of no more than 3 years but shall be eligible for reappointment 12 months after the date of retirement or at any subsequent time
- 3 9 A Trustee's term of office as such automatically terminates if he/she -
- 3 9 1 ceases to be a member of the Methodist Church (having been a member of the Methodist Church at the time of his/her appointment) and is requested to resign by the Chair,
- 3 9 2 is disqualified under the Charities Act from acting as a charity trustee,
- 3 9 3 is incapable of managing his/her own affairs,
- 3 9 4 is absent without permission from 2 consecutive meetings of the Trustees and is asked by a majority of the other Trustees to resign,

- 3 9 5 resigns by written notice to the Trustees (but only if at least 2 Trustees will remain in office),
- 3 9 6 becomes a Governor and is requested to resign by the Chair, or
- 3 9 7 Is removed by the Members at a general meeting under the Companies Act
- The Trustees may at any time co-opt any individual who is eligible under Article 3 3 as a Trustee to fill a vacancy in their number or (subject to the maximum number permitted by Article 3 3) as an additional Trustee, but a co-opted Trustee holds office only until the next Conference
- 3 11 A technical defect in the appointment of a Trustee of which the Trustees are unaware at the time does not invalidate decisions taken at a meeting

4 Trustees' proceedings

- 4.1 The Trustees must hold at least 4 meetings each year
- A quorum at a meeting of the Trustees is at least five Trustees or one half of the Trustees (if greater)
- A meeting of the Trustees may be held either in person or by suitable electronic means agreed by the Trustees in which all participants may communicate with all the other participants but at least one meeting in each year must be held in person
- The Chair or (if the Chair is unable or unwilling to do so) the Deputy Chair presides at each meeting
- Any issue may be determined by a simple majority of the votes cast at a meeting, but a resolution in writing agreed by all the Trustees (other than any Conflicted Trustee who has not been authorised to vote) is as valid as a resolution passed at a meeting. For this purpose the resolution may be contained in more than one document
- Every Trustee has one vote on each issue but, in case of equality of votes, the chair of the meeting has a second or casting vote
- The Chief Executive and Finance Director shall be entitled to attend and speak (but not vote) at meetings of the Trustees but may be required to withdraw from any such meeting at the request of the Chair

- 4 8 2 Heads shall be entitled to attend and speak (but not vote) at meetings of the Trustees but may be required to withdraw from any such meeting at the request of the Chair
- A procedural defect of which the Trustees are unaware at the time does not invalidate decisions taken at a meeting

5 Trustees' powers

The Trustees have the following powers in the administration of the Charity in their capacity as Trustees -

- to appoint (and remove) any person (who may be a Trustee) to act as Secretary in accordance with the Companies Act,
- to appoint a Deputy Chair, a Treasurer and other honorary officers from among their number,
- to delegate any of their functions to committees consisting of two or more individuals appointed by them including, without limitation, a Nominations Committee,
- 5 4 to establish and support Heads Meetings and Chairs Meetings,
- to make standing orders consistent with the Memorandum, the Articles and the Companies Act to govern proceedings at general meetings,
- to make rules consistent with the Memorandum, the Articles and the Companies Act to govern their proceedings and proceedings of committees,
- to make regulations consistent with the Memorandum, the Articles and the Companies Act to govern the administration of the Charity and the use of its seal (if any),
- to establish procedures to assist the resolution of disputes or differences within the Charity, and
- to exercise in their capacity as Trustees any powers of the Charity which are not reserved to the Members themselves in their capacity as Members

6 Benefits and Conflicts

The property and funds of the Charity must be used only for promoting the Objects and do not belong to the Members but subject to compliance with Article 6 4 -

- 6 1 1 Members (being Trustees) and Connected Persons may be paid interest at a reasonable rate on money lent to the Charity,
- 6 1 2 Members (being Trustees) and Connected Persons may be paid a reasonable rent or hiring fee for property let or hired to the Charity, and
- 6 1 3 Members (being Trustees) and Connected Persons may receive charitable benefits on the same terms as any other beneficiaries
- 6 2 A Trustee must not receive any payment of money or other material benefit (whether directly or indirectly) from the Charity except -
- 6 2 1 as mentioned in Articles 6 1 or 6 3.
- 6 2 2 reimbursement of reasonable out-of-pocket expenses (including hotel and travel costs) actually incurred in running the Charity,
- 6 2 3 the benefit of indemnity insurance as permitted by the Charities Act,
- 6 2 4 an indemnity in respect of any liabilities properly incurred in running the Charity (including the costs of a successful defence to criminal proceedings),
- 6 2 5 in exceptional cases, other payments or benefits (but only with the written consent of the Commission in advance and, where required by the Companies Act, the approval or affirmation of the Members)
- No Trustee or Connected Person may be employed by the Charity except in accordance with Article 6.2.5, but any Trustee or Connected Person may enter into a written contract with the Charity, as permitted by the Charities Act, to supply services or services and associated goods in return for a payment or other material benefit but only if -
- 6 3 1 the services or services and associated goods are actually required by the Charity, and the Trustees decide that it is in the best interests of the Charity to enter into such a contract,
- the nature and level of the remuneration is no more than is reasonable in relation to the value of the goods or services and is set in accordance with the procedure in Article 6.4, and
- 6 3 3 no more than half of the Trustees are subject to such a contract in any financial year

- 6 4 Subject to Clause 6 5, any Trustee who becomes a Conflicted Trustee in relation to any matter must -
- 6 4 1 declare the nature and extent of his or her interest before discussion begins on the matter,
- 6 4 2 withdraw from the meeting for that item after providing any information requested by the Trustees,
- 6 4 3 not be counted in the guorum for that part of the meeting, and
- 6 4 4 be absent during the vote and have no vote on the matter
- When any Trustee is a Conflicted Trustee, the Trustees who are not Conflicted Trustees, if they form a quorum without counting the Conflicted Trustee and are satisfied that it is in the best interests of the Charity to do so, may by resolution passed in the absence of the Conflicted Trustee authorise the Conflicted Trustee, notwithstanding any conflict of interest or duty which has arisen or may arise for the Conflicted Trustee, to -
- 6 5 1 continue to participate in discussions leading to the making of a decision and/or to vote,
- 6 5 2 disclose to a third party information confidential to the Charity,
- 6 5 3 take any other action not otherwise authorised which does not involve the receipt by the Conflicted Trustee or a Connected Person of any payment or material benefit from the Charity, or
- 6 5 4 refrain from taking any step required to remove the conflict
- This Article may, subject to Article 14, be amended by special resolution but, where the result would be to permit any material benefit to a Trustee or Connected Person, only with the prior written consent of the Commission

7 Records and Accounts

- 7 1 The Trustees must comply with the requirements of the Companies Act and of the Charities Act as to keeping records, the audit or independent examination of accounts and the preparation and transmission to the Registrar of Companies and the Commission of information required by law including -
- 7 1 1 annual returns,

- 7 1 2 annual reports, and
- 7 1 3 annual statements of account
- 7 2 The Trustees must also keep records of -
- 7 2 1 all proceedings at meetings of the Trustees,
- 7 2 2 all resolutions in writing,
- 7 2 3 all reports of committees, and
- 7 2 4 all professional advice obtained
- 7 3 Accounting records relating to the Charity must be made available for inspection by any Trustee at any time during normal office hours
- A copy of the Charity's constitution and latest available statement of account must be supplied on request to any Trustee Copies of the latest accounts must also be supplied in accordance with the Charities Act to any other person who makes a written request and pays the Charity's reasonable costs

8 Membership

- 8 1 The Charity must maintain a register of Members
- The subscribers to the Memorandum are the first Members
- 8 3 Membership is open only to the Trustees and any person appointed by the Conference as a Trustee shall thereby become a Member and Membership is terminated if the Member concerned ceases to be a Trustee
- 8 4 Membership is not transferable

9 General Meetings

9 1 Trustees, in their capacity as Members, are entitled to attend general meetings in person or by proxy (but only if the appointment of a proxy is in writing and notified to the Charity before the commencement of the meeting)

- General meetings are called on at least 14 and not more than 28 clear days' written notice indicating the business to be discussed and (if a special resolution is to be proposed) setting out the terms of the proposed special resolution
- There is a quorum at a general meeting if the number of Members present in person or by proxy is at least eight
- 9 4 The Chair is to act as chair of a general meeting
- 9.5 Except where otherwise provided by the Articles or the Companies Act, every issue is decided by ordinary resolution
- 9 6 Every Member present in person or by proxy has one vote on each issue
- 9 7 Except where otherwise provided by the Articles or the Companies Act, a written resolution (whether an ordinary or a special resolution) is as valid as an equivalent resolution passed at a general meeting. For this purpose the written resolution may be set out in more than one document
- 9 8 Except at first, the Charity must hold an AGM in every year. The first AGM must be held within 18 months after the Charity's incorporation.
- 9 9 Members being Trustees must annually at the AGM -
- 9 9 1 receive the accounts of the Charity for the previous financial year,
- 9 9 2 receive a written report on the Charity's activities,
- 9 9 3 be informed of the retirement of those Trustees who are retiring by rotation,
- 9 9 4 note the appointment of Trustees to fill the vacancies arising,
- 9 9 5 appoint reporting accountants or auditors for the Charity,
- 9 10 A general meeting may be called by the Trustees at any time and must be called within 21 days of a written request from 1 or more Trustees (being Members)
- 9 11 A technical defect in the appointment of a Member of which the Members are unaware at the time does not invalidate a decision taken at a general meeting or a Written Resolution

10 Limited Liability

The liability of Members is limited

11 Guarantee

Every Member promises, if the Charity is dissolved while he/she remains a Member or within one year after he/she ceases to be a member, to pay up to £1 towards -

- 11.1 payment of those debts and liabilities of the Charity incurred before he/she ceased to be a Member,
- 11.2 payment of the costs, charges and expenses of winding up, and
- 11.3 the adjustment of rights of contributors among themselves

12 Communications

- 12.1 Notices and other documents to be served on Members or Trustees under the Articles or the Companies Act may be served -
- (1) by hand,
- (2) by post, or
- (3) by suitable electronic means
- 12.2 The only address at which a Member is entitled to receive notices sent by post is an address in the U K shown in the register of Members
- 12.3 Any notice given in accordance with these Articles is to be treated for all purposes as having been received -
- (1) 24 hours after being sent by electronic means or delivered by hand to the relevant address,
- (2) two clear days after being sent by first class post to that address,
- (3) three clear days after being sent by second class or overseas post to that address,

- (4) immediately on being handed to the recipient personally,
 - or, if earlier,
- (5) as soon as the recipient acknowledges actual receipt
- 12.4 A technical defect in service of which the Trustees are unaware at the time does not invalidate decisions taken at a meeting

13 Dissolution

- 13.1 If the Charity is dissolved, the assets (if any) remaining after providing for all its liabilities must be applied for such charitable purposes of the Methodist Church as the Conference shall resolve
- 13.2 A final report and statement of account must be sent to the Commission

14 Alteration or amendment of the Articles

After the Conference of 2011, no Article may be amended, deleted or altered and no articles added to these Articles without the consent of the Conference whose consent shall be evidenced by a resolution signed by the President of the Conference

15 <u>Interpretation and Definitions</u>

- 15.1 The Articles are to be interpreted without reference to the model articles under the Companies Act, which do not apply to the Charity
- 15.2 In the Articles, unless the context indicates another meaning -

'AGM' means an annual general meeting of the Charity,

'the Articles' means the Charity's Articles of Association and 'Article' refers to a particular Article,

'Associated Schools' means the schools described as Associated Schools in Part 2 of the Schedule hereto,

'Chair' means the chair of the Trustees,

'Chairs of Governors' means the chairs of the governing bodies of the Schools and the Associated Schools,

'Chairs of Governors Trustees' mean those trustees who have been appointed as Trustees by the Conference on the recommendation of the Chairs of Governors or failing such recommendation on the nomination of the Charity,

'Chairs Meetings' means meetings of the Chairs of Governors held in accordance with the terms of reference for Chairs Meetings promulgated by the Charity, and as from time to time amended.

'the Charity' means the company governed by the Articles,

'the Charities Act' means the Charities Acts 1992 to 2006,

'charity trustee' has the meaning prescribed by the Charities Act,

'Chief Executive' means the chief executive or person holding a similar role of the Charity,

'clear day' does not include the day on which notice is given or the day of the meeting or other event,

'the Code of Practice' means the code of practice promulgated by the Charity and as from time to time amended,

'the Commission' means the Charity Commission for England and Wales or any body which replaces it,

'the Companies Act' means the Companies Acts 1985 to 2006,

'Conflicted Trustee' means a Trustee in respect of whom a conflict of interest arises or may reasonably arise because the Conflicted Trustee or a Connected Person is receiving or stands to receive a benefit (other than payment of a premium for indemnity insurance) from the Charity, or has some separate interest or duty in a matter to be decided, or in relation to information which is confidential to the Charity,

'the Conference' means the governing body of the Methodist Church, meeting annually and whose powers and duties are set out in the Standing Orders of the Methodist Church and constituted under and by virtue of the Methodist Church Union Act 1929 and the Deed of Union.

'Connected Person' means, in relation to a Trustee, a person with whom the Trustee shares a common interest such that he/she may reasonably be regarded as benefiting directly or indirectly from any material benefit received by that person, being either a member of the Trustee's family or household or a person or body who is a business associate of the Trustee, and (for the avoidance of doubt) does not include a company with which the Trustee's only connection is an interest consisting of no more than 1% of the voting rights,

'constitution' means the Memorandum and the Articles and any special resolutions relating to them,

'custodian' means a person or body who undertakes safe custody of assets or of documents or records relating to them,

'Deputy Chair' means such Trustee who from time to time is appointed by the Trustees to act as deputy chair

'electronic means' refers to communications addressed to specified individuals by telephone, fax or email or, in relation to meetings, by telephone conference call or video conference,

'Finance Director' the finance director or person holding a similar role of the Charity,

'financial expert' means an individual, company or firm who is authorised to give investment advice under the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000,

'financial year' means the Charity's financial year,

'firm' includes a limited liability partnership,

'Governors' means the members of the governing bodies of the Schools and the Associated Schools,

'the Heads' mean the heads of the Schools and the Associated Schools,

'Heads Meetings' means meetings of the Heads held in accordance with the terms of reference for Heads Meetings promulgated by the Charity as from time to time amended,

'indemnity insurance' has the meaning prescribed by the Charities Act,

'Instrument of Government' means the Instrument of Government from time to time promulgated by the Charity specifying the powers and duties delegated to the respective administrative governing bodies for each of the Schools,

'material benefit' means a benefit, direct or indirect, which may not be financial but has a monetary value,

'Member' and 'Membership' refer to a member and membership of the Charity,

'Memorandum' means the Charity's Memorandum of Association,

'month' means calendar month,

'Methodist Church' means the denomination formed under the Methodist Church Union Act 1929.

'Methodist Council Trustees' means those trustees who have been appointed by the Conference on the nomination of the Methodist Council,

'Mission Statement' means the mission statement of the Charity promulgated by the Charity as from time to time amended.

'Nominated Trustees' means those trustees who have been appointed as trustees by the Conference on the recommendation of the Charity,

'Nominations Committee' means the nominations committee which meets in accordance with the terms of reference for the Nominations Committee promulgated by the Charity and as from time to time amended,

'nominee company' means a corporate body registered or having an established place of business in England and Wales which holds title to property for another,

'the Objects' means the Objects of the Charity as defined in Article 1,

'ordinary resolution' means a resolution agreed by a simple majority of the Members present and voting at a general meeting or in the case of a written resolution by Members who together hold a simple majority of the voting power Where applicable, 'Members' in this definition means a class of Members,

'Principles of the Methodist Church' means the purposes of the Methodist Church as set out in section 4 of the Methodist Church Act 1976 and in accordance with the doctrinal standards of the Methodist Church as set out in Section 2 (4) of the Deed of Union,

'Resolution in writing' means a written resolution of the Trustees,

'Secretary' means a company secretary,

'the Schools' means the schools whose names are set out in Part 1 of the Schedule hereto,

'special resolution' means a resolution of which at least 14 days' notice has been given agreed by a 75% majority of the Members present and voting at a general meeting or in the case of a written resolution by Members who together hold 75% of the voting power,

'taxable trading' means carrying on a trade or business in such manner or on such a scale that some or all of the profits are subject to corporation tax,

'Trustee' means a director of the Charity and 'Trustees' means the directors and 'the 1903 Trustees' means those individuals appointed as holding trustees by the Conference in accordance with the provisions of the Methodist Independent Education Trust Deed of 1903,

'written' or 'in writing' refers to a legible document on paper or a document sent by electronic means which is capable of being printed out on paper,

'written resolution' refers to an ordinary or a special resolution which is in writing

- 15.3 Expressions not otherwise defined which are defined in the Companies Act have the same meaning
- 15.4 References to an Act of Parliament are to that Act as amended or re-enacted from time to time and to any subordinate legislation made under it

The Schedule

Part 1 - The Schools

Culford School
Farringtons School
Kent College, Canterbury
Kent College, Pembury
Kingsley School
Queen's College, Taunton
Shebbear College
Truro School
Woodhouse Grove School

Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk IP28 6TX
Chislehurst, Kent BR7 6LR
Canterbury, Kent CT2 9DT
Nr Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN2 4AX
Bideford, Devon EX39 3LY
Taunton, Somerset TA1 4QS
Shebbear, Devon EX21 5HJ
Truro, Cornwall TR1 1TH
Apperley Bridge, West Yorkshire BD10 0NR

Part 2 - The Associated Schools

Rydal Penrhos Ashville College Kingswood School Colwyn Bay, Clwyd LL29 7BT Harrogate, North Yorkshire HG2 9JP Lansdown, Bath BA1 5RG