

**BLACKBURN THE REDEEMER CE PRIMARY SCHOOL WITH ST STEPHEN'S CE
PRIMARY SCHOOL TOCKHOLES**

INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT: FEDERATION

1. The name of the federation is Blackburn the Redeemer CE Primary School with St Stephen's CE Primary School Tockholes

2. The schools in the federation are:

Name	Category
Blackburn the Redeemer Church of England Primary School	Voluntary Aided School
St Stephen's Church of England Primary School Tockholes	Voluntary Aided School

3. The name of the governing body is "The Governing Body of Blackburn the Redeemer Church of England Primary School with St Stephen's Church of England Primary School Tockholes"

4. The schools each have a trust deed.

5. The schools ethos statement is:

Recognising their historic foundation, the schools will preserve and develop their religious character in accordance with the principles of the Church of England and in partnership with the Church at parish and diocesan level.

The schools' aim to serve their communities by providing an education of the highest quality within the context of Christian belief and practice. They encourage an understanding of the meaning and significance of faith, and promote Christian values through the experience they offer to all their pupils.

6. The governing body shall consist of:

- (a) 10 foundation governors
- (b) 1 LA governor
- (c) 1 staff governor from either of the two schools
- (d) Executive Headteacher
- (e) 2 parent governors
 - 1 from Blackburn the Redeemer
 - 1 from St Stephen's Tockholes
- (f) 3 co-opted governors

7. Total number of governors is 18.

8. (a) The Diocesan Board of Education for the Diocese of Blackburn appoints foundation governors
 - (i) 2 on the nomination of the Principal Officiating Minister for the Parish of Blackburn St Bartholomew (Ewood)
 - (ii) 2 on the nomination of the Parochial Church Council of Blackburn St Bartholomew (Ewood)
 - (iii) 2 on the nomination of the Principal Officiating Minister for the Parish of St Stephen's Tockholes

- (iv) 2 on the nomination of the Parochial Church Council for the Parish of St Stephen's Tockholes
 - (b) If the Principal Officiating Minister (or if there is a vacancy in the office) or the Parochial Church Council is unwilling to nominate foundation governors, then the Diocesan Board of Education appoints appropriate governors in consultation with the Archdeacon of the Archdeaconry within which the schools are situated.
9. (a) The holder of the following office shall be a foundation governor ex-officio, the Principal Officiating Minister for the Church of St Bartholomew (Ewood)
- (b) The holder of the following office shall be a foundation governor ex-officio, the Principal Officiating Minister for the Church of St Stephen's Tockholes.
- (c) The Archdeacon of the Archdeaconry within which the schools are situated shall appoint a foundation governor to act in the place of the ex-officio foundation governor whose governorship derives from the office named in (a) or above, in the event that that ex officio foundation governor is unable or unwilling to act as a foundation governor, or there is a vacancy in the office by virtue of which this governorship exists, or has been removed from office under Regulation 23 (2).
10. The Archdeacon or the Archdeaconry within which the school is situated and the Diocesan Director of Education shall have the power to request the removal of the ex officio foundation governor and to appoint any substitute.
11. The term of office of all governors, except ex officio governors, is 4 years.
12. This instrument of government comes into effect on 1 September 2025
13. This instrument was made by order of Blackburn with Darwen Local Authority on 16th October 2025
14. A copy of this instrument must be supplied to every member of the Governing Board (and the Headteacher, if not a governor), and to trustees and all bodies which appoint foundation governors.



Jo Siddle
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