

# **Decision Record – Loxley Cof E Primary School, Snitterfield Primary School and Wilmcote Cof E Federated School Instrument of government**

**Cabinet Portfolio Holders taking decision**

<b>Councillors Heather Timms, Portfolio Holder- Children and Schools, Martin Heatley, Portfolio Holder, Workforce and Governance</b>
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**Date of Decision: (NOT BEFORE 27 July 2012)**

**Councillor Heather Timms agreed on 27 July 2012**

**Councillor Martin Heatley agreed on 27 July 2012**

## **Decision taken**

I, Councillor Heather Timms, as Portfolio Holder for Children & Schools and I, Councillor Martin Heatley as Portfolio Holder for Workforce & Governance approve the draft Instrument of Government for the Federated Governing Body of Loxley C of E Community Primary, Snitterfield Primary and Wilmcote C of E Primary Schools effective from 1st September 2012, as appended to this decision notice.
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## **Reasons for Decisions**

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Following a full consultation carried out in accordance with The School Governance (Federations) (England) Regulations 2007, the governing bodies of Loxley C of E Community Primary, Snitterfield Primary and Wilmcote C of E Primary Schools have decided to federate the three schools under one federated governing body with effect from 1st September 2012.</li><li>2. The governing bodies of federating schools are required to agree jointly a draft Instrument of Government for the federated governing body and submit this to the Local Authority. If the draft Instrument complies with the legal requirements for the constitution of a federated governing body, the Local Authority can approve the Instrument.</li><li>3. A federated governing body coming into effect on or after 1st September 2012 must be constituted in accordance with the new School Governance (Federations) (England) Regulations 2012 coming into force on 1st September 2012.</li></ol> |
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**Background Information/ factors considered in arriving at these decisions - (set out below and in the officer report):**

**Background**

For information, the requirements of the new School Governance (Federations) (England) Regulations 2012 in relation to a federation comprising more than one category of school including at least one voluntary aided school are as follows :

- Federated governing body constitution to be no fewer than 7 governors (no maximum size).
- One parent governor elected or appointed in accordance with regulation 14 in respect of each school in the federation.
- The Headteacher of each federated school or the Executive Headteacher of the federation.
- One staff governor (staff members also can be appointed as co-opted governors - see below).
- One Authority governor (previously called LA governors). Authority governors to be nominated by the LA but appointed by the governing body. Authority governors will need to meet the criteria, if any, specified by the governing body.

In addition to the above -

- The federated governing body may appoint such number of co-opted governors as they consider necessary. (The category of community governor is discontinued). Staff members can be co-opted governors as long as they do not equal more than one-third of the total membership of the governing body.
- The governing body of a federation comprising more than one category of school including at least one Voluntary Aided School must additionally comprise at least two foundation governors.

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**Checklist**

**Urgent matter**

No

**Confidential or Exempt (state category of exempt information)**

No

**Is the decision contrary to the budget and policy framework**

No

**List of Reports considered** [please attach or forward a copy]

Report from author.

**List of Background Papers** [please include directorate contact names and numbers for access to background papers]

None

**Any members and officers consulted or informed and any comments given.**

**Consulted:**

Local Members:

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