DIOCESAN BOARDS OF EDUCATION MEASURE 1991
The Bristol Diocesan Board of Education Order 1997

Made 19th June 1997

Coming into force 1st July 1997

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 1(2) of the Diocesan Boards of Education Measure 1991 the Secretary of State, having received a request made following a resolution of the diocesan synod for the Diocese of Bristol and with the consent of the Bishop of Bristol ("the Bishop") hereby makes the following Order:

1. This Order may be cited as the Bristol Diocesan Board of Education Order 1997.

2. (1) On and after 1st July 1997, the Board, instead of being constituted in accordance with Part 1 of the Schedule to the 1991 Measure, shall be constituted in accordance with the following provisions.

(2) The Board shall consist of:

(a) the Bishop;

(b) two persons nominated by the Bishop each person so nominated being either a suffragan bishop or a full-time assistant bishop in the diocese or an archdeacon of an archdeaconry in the diocese;

(c) such number of members as the diocesan synod may determine, not being less than fourteen or more than eighteen, shall be elected by the diocesan synod, and of those members -
(i) at least five shall be elected in respect of the archdeaconry of Swindon and be resident in the area of that archdeaconry, and

(ii) at least five shall be elected in respect of the archdeaconry of Bristol and be resident in the area of that archdeaconry, and

(iii) at least four shall be ministers holding separate cure of souls in a parish or conventional district within the Diocese, and

(iv) at least six shall be lay persons of whom at least two shall be male and at least two shall be female.

Provided that, so far as the wording allows, a person may fall within more than one of the categories (i) to (iv) above and where he does so, he shall count towards the number of elected members for each category in which he falls.

(d) not less than four or more than eight members co-opted by the Board of whom -

(i) four members shall be persons with experience of church schools in the diocese, and

(ii) the other members (if any) shall be persons with experience of other areas of work with which the Board is concerned;

and the Bishop may nominate two additional persons (whether in Holy Orders or not) to be members of the Board.
(3) The Bishop shall be chairman of the Board except that, if he does not desire to be chairman, the Board shall appoint some other person (whether or not a member of the Board) to be chairman, and the person so appointed shall be an ex-officio member of the diocesan synod.

(4) The first elected members of the Board shall be elected in such manner as may be determined by the diocesan synod and shall cease to hold office on 1st September 1998. In respect of the elected members of the Board thereafter, the election of the elected members of the Board shall take place every three years in such manner as may be determined by the diocesan synod and such members shall begin to hold office on the 1st September next following their election.

(5) Any casual vacancy among the elected members of the Board shall be filled in such manner as may be determined by the diocesan synod.

(6) All members of the Board other than the Bishop of the diocese shall cease to hold office on the 1st September on which the newly elected members begin to hold office, except that a member of the Board shall be eligible for re-election or re-appointment on the termination of any period of office.

(7) A person who is in receipt of any remuneration as an officer or member of the staff of the Board shall not be eligible for membership of the Board.

(8) Any member of the Board, other than the Bishop, may at any time resign his membership of the Board.

(9) Any member of the Board who has without the consent of the Board failed to attend any meetings of the Board for a continuous period of two years shall on the expiry of that period be disqualified for continuing to be a member of the Board.
(10) Any member of the Board who is adjudged bankrupt shall be disqualified for continuing to be a member of the Board.

(11) Any member of the Board who by reason of mental or physical incapacity is rendered incapable of performing his functions as a member of the Board shall be disqualified for continuing to be a member of the Board.

Given under the Official Seal of the Secretary of State for Education and Employment on 19th June 1997.

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Authorised by the Secretary of State for Education and Employment to act in that behalf.