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1. The name of the school is The Aldgate School.
2. The school is a voluntary aided school with a foundation. The foundation is the The Portal Trust.
3. The name of the governing body is "The governing body of The Aldgate School".
4. The governing body shall consist of:
  - 2 parent governors;
  - 1 LA governor;
  - 1 co-opted local community governor;
  - The headteacher (ex-officio);
  - 1 staff governor; and
  - 8 foundation governors.
5. The total number of governors shall be 14.
6. The foundation governors shall be appointed as follows:
  - i. 1 shall be appointed by the London Diocesan Board for Schools;
  - ii. 1 shall be appointed by the Parochial Church Council of St Botolph-without- Aldgate;
  - iii. 1 shall be appointed by the City Deanery Synod; and
  - iv. 4 shall be appointed by The Portal Trust.
7. a) The holder of the following office shall be a foundation governor ex officio: The Rector of St Botolph-without-Aldgate.  
b) The Archdeacon of the Archdeaconry in which the school is situate shall be entitled to appoint a foundation governor to act in the place of the ex officio governor whose governorship derives from the office named in a) above, in the event that the ex officio governor is unable or unwilling to act as a foundation governor, or has been removed from office under regulation 23(2) of the Regulations.
8. The Archdeacon of the Archdeaconry shall be entitled to request the governing body to remove the ex-officio foundation referred to in 7 above and appoint any substitute governor.
9. Ethos statement: Recognising its historic foundation, the school will preserve and develop its religious character in accordance with the principles of the Church of England and in partnership with the Church at parish and diocesan level. The school aims to serve its community by providing an education of the highest quality within the context of Christian beliefs and practice. It encourages an understanding of the meaning and significance of faith and promotes Christian values through the experience it offers to all of its pupils.

10. Diversity, equality, and inclusion are important to the school. A copy of the school's Diversity Statement will be given to all new Governors and reviewed by the Governing Body on a regular basis.

11. The term of office of all categories of governor shall be 4 years with the exception of the Headteacher and the Rector of St Botolph-without-Aldgate, whose terms of office shall be for the periods they were appointed to their respective offices.

12. A copy of this Instrument of Government must be provided (free of charge) to every member of the governing body (and to the Headteacher if not a governor), to the trustees of The Portal Trust and to the London Diocesan Board for Schools.

13. This Instrument of Government comes into effect on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2023

14. This Instrument was made by order of the City of London Corporation on 2023.