## **Our Lady’s Convent High School**

# Instrument of Government

1. The name of the school is Our Lady’s Convent High School

2. The School was founded by the Servite Sisters and is part of the Catholic Church. The School is to be conducted as a Catholic School in accordance with Canon Law and the teachings of the Catholic Church, and in accordance with the Trust Deed of the Servite Sisters and in particular:

(a) religious education is to be in accordance with the teachings, doctrines, discipline and general and particular norms of the Catholic Church;

(b) religious worship is to be in accordance with the rites, practices, discipline and liturgical norms of the Catholic Church;

and at all times the School is to serve as a witness to the Catholic faith in Our Lord Jesus Christ.

3. The School is a voluntary aided school in the trusteeship of the Servite Sisters (an Institute of Consecrated Life of pontifical right) and is an exempt charity.

4. The name of the governing body is: The Governing Body of Our Lady’s Convent High School.

5. The Governing Body shall consist of twenty governors of which there shall be:

 (a) eleven foundation governors *(of whom two shall, at the time of their appointment, be*

 *eligible for election or appointment as parent governors)*;

(b) five parent governors;

(c) one LEA governor;

(d) three staff governors.

6. Foundation governors shall be appointed and may be removed by the Provincial Superior of the Servite Sisters of the English Province or any person for the time being exercising the powers of the said Provincial Superior.

7. The term of office for every foundation governor shall terminate on 31st August

 following the third anniversary of the date of appointment.

8. This Instrument of Government comes into effect on 1st September 2006.

9. This Instrument of Government was approved by the Archdiocese of Westminster on 17th July 2006 by the Servite Sisters of the English Province on 18th May 2006 and made by order of Hackney local education authority on .

10. A copy of this Instrument of Government must be supplied to every member of the governing body (and head teacher if not a governor), Servite Sisters of the English Province and the Archdiocese of Westminster.