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Review cycle	2 years
Next review	02/04/2025

1. Legislation and statutory guidance

- 1.1 Governing boards of maintained schools must have an instrument of government which sets out information about how the board is constituted. This requirement is set out in the [School Governance \(Constitution\) \(England\) Regulations 2012, part 5, regulation 28](#).
- 1.2 This model instrument of government is based on the model document in the Department for Education's statutory guidance, [The Constitution of Governing Bodies of Maintained Schools](#).

2. Instrument of government

1. The name of the school is Brent Knoll School
2. The school is a Foundation Special School
3. The name of the governing board is 'The governing board of Brent Knoll School'
4. The governing board shall consist of:
 - a. 3 parent governors
 - b. 1 local authority governor
 - c. 1 staff governor
 - d. 1 headteacher
 - e. 3 foundation governors
 - f. 3 co-opted governors
5. The total number of governors is 12
6. The term of office for governors is 4 years
7. Brent Knoll and Watergate Co-operative Trust is entitled to appoint foundation governors.
8. Brent Knoll School is a member of Brent Knoll and Watergate Co-operative Trust which has legal title to the school's assets which it holds for the purposes or benefits of the school.
9. This instrument of government comes into effect on 02/04/2015
10. This instrument was made by order of The London Borough of Lewisham on 14/01/2015

A copy of the consolidated instrument will be supplied free of charge to every member and associate member of the governing board (including the headteacher where they are not a governor).

A copy will also be supplied free of charge to the trustees of Brent Knoll and Watergate Co-operative Trust.