

**NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL**

**PEOPLE CABINET MEMBER**

**SCHOOL GOVERNORS – INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT FOR LUDDINGTON  
AND GARTHORPE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**1. OBJECT AND KEY POINT IN THIS REPORT**

- 1.1 To consider approving the Instrument of Government, to be effective with immediate effect, for Luddington and Garthorpe Primary School
- 1.2 The key point to note is as follows: On 1 October 2012 the governing body felt they would like to change the Instrument of Government in accordance with the The School Governance(Constitution) (England) Regulations 2012

**2. BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

- 2.1 The new instrument of government details the change in the constitution the governing body would like to make.
- 2.2 The governing body would like to reduce the number of parent governors due to the fact it has difficulty in filling the parent vacancies.
- 2.3 The governing body would like to increase the number of co-opted governors (previously community governors) to increase its ability to attract the appropriate skills required on the governing body.

**3. OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION**

- 3.1 One option available would be to approve the instrument of government for Luddington and Garthorpe Primary School. (Appendix A)
- 3.2 The other option would be not to approve the revised instrument of government.

**4. ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS**

- 4.1 If the instrument of government was approved the number of parent governors would be reduced and as a consequence the number of vacancies. The governing body would also be in a better position to attract co-opted governors who had appropriate skills for the governing body.

4.2 If the new instrument of government was not approved the governing body would still have a number of parent vacancies. It would also not have the flexibility to increase the number of co-opted governors and as a consequence could experience difficulties in attracting governors with specific skills to their governing body.

**5. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL, STAFFING, PROPERTY, IT)**

5.1 None

**6. OTHER IMPLICATIONS (STATUTORY, ENVIRONMENTAL, DIVERSITY, SECTION 17 - CRIME AND DISORDER, RISK AND OTHER)**

6.1 Statutory - The School Governance (Constitution) (England) Regulations 2012

**7. OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION**

7.1 The governing body considered the composition of the governing body. The attached instrument is the result of the discussions held at the governing body meeting.

**8. RECOMMENDATIONS**

8.1 It is recommended that approval be given to the instrument of government for Luddington and Garthorpe primary school with immediate effect.

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**Background Papers used in the preparation of this report - None**

## INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

- 1 The name of the school is Luddington and Garthorpe Primary School.
- 2 The school is a community school.
- 3 The name of the governing body is “the governing body of Luddington and Garthorpe Primary School”.
- 4 The governing body shall consist of:
  - (a) head teacher
  - (b) 1 x staff governor
  - (c) 2 x parent governors
  - (d) 1 local authority governor
  - (e) 7 x co-opted governors (to include two staff members)
- 5 Total number of governors 12.
- 6 This Instrument of Government comes into effect 1 January 2013.
- 7 This Instrument was made by order of North Lincolnshire Local Authority in October 2012 .
- 8 A copy of the Instrument must be supplied to every member of the governing body (and the head teacher if not a governor).