

2025 No. 1166

EDUCATION, ENGLAND

The Diocese of Leeds (Educational Endowments) (Horton in Ribblesdale Church of England School) Order 2025

Made - - - -

6th November 2025

Coming into force - -

7th November 2025

It has been shown to the satisfaction of the Secretary of State for Education (“the Secretary of State”) that the endowment of the educational foundation known as Horton in Ribblesdale Church of England School (previously Horton in Ribblesdale Grammar School) in Settle, except for the teacher’s house of the school, is or has been held in connection with the provision of religious education in accordance with the tenets of the Church of England at a voluntary school, the premises of which have ceased to be used for the purposes of such a school.

The endowment is comprised in a scheme dated 10 November 1915 and made by the Board of Education and a scheme dated 15 April 1970 and made by the Secretary of State for Education and Science.

The assets representing the endowment consist of (a) the school site and buildings erected thereon (except for the teacher’s house), which is registered as an asset of community value and subject to the Assets of Community Value (England) Regulations 2012(**a**), and (b) any income derived from those assets before the coming into force of this Order.

Application for an order making new provision as to the use of the endowment has been made to the Secretary of State by the Leeds Diocesan Board of Education, which body appears to the Secretary of State to be the appropriate authority of the Church of England for the purpose.

Notice of the proposed Order and of the right of persons interested to make representations on it has been given in the manner required by section 555(2) and (3) of the Education Act 1996(**b**).

No representations have been made on the proposed Order.

Accordingly, the Secretary of State makes this Order in exercise of the powers conferred by sections 554 and 556 of the Education Act 1996(**c**).

(a) S.I. 2012/2421.

(b) 1996 c. 56.

(c) Sections 554 and 556 were amended by Schedule 30 to the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 (c. 31).

Citation and commencement

1. This Order may be cited as the Diocese of Leeds (Educational Endowments) (Horton in Ribblesdale Church of England School) Order 2025 and comes into force on the day after the day on which it is made (“the operative date”).

Interpretation

2. In this Order—

“the deeds” means a scheme dated 10 November 1915 and made by the Board of Education and a scheme dated 15 April 1970 and made by the Secretary of State for Education and Science;

“the Diocesan Board” means the Leeds Diocesan Board of Finance Limited;

“the endowment” means the endowment comprised in the deeds, except for the teacher’s house comprised in the deeds;

“the foundation” means the educational foundation known as Horton in Ribblesdale Church of England School (previously Horton in Ribblesdale Grammar School), except for the teacher’s house;

“trust assets” means the school site and the buildings erected thereon (except for the teacher’s house), together with any income derived from those assets (whether before or after the operative date);

“trustee” means the Diocesan Board.

Trustee and vesting

3.—(1) The Diocesan Board is appointed to be the trustee of the foundation and the trust assets.

(2) All funds belonging to or held in trust for the foundation immediately before the operative date must be transferred to the Diocesan Board and all acts necessary for that purpose must be done by any persons holding such funds.

Administration of foundation

4.—(1) The Diocesan Board is authorised, subject to the provisions of the Assets of Community Value (England) Regulations 2012, to sell the school site and buildings (except for the teacher’s house) and must, until sale, let or otherwise manage such property according to the general law applicable to the management of property held for charitable purposes.

(2) After payment of any expenses of administration the Diocesan Board must hold the trust assets on the terms set out in the Schedule (being the uniform statutory trusts set out in Schedule 36 to the Education Act 1996(a)).

Consultation

5. The Diocesan Board must consult the Leeds Diocesan Board of Education with regard to the exercise of the powers and functions conferred on it by this Order.

(a) Schedule 36 was amended by paragraph 10 of Schedule 9 to the Education Act 2005 (c. 18).

Signed by the authority of the Secretary of State

6th November 2025

Louise Whitesman
Deputy Director
Department for Education

SCHEDULE

Article 4(2)

The Uniform Statutory Trusts

1. In this Schedule—

“the area” means the Diocese of Leeds;

“relevant school” means a voluntary school, a foundation school, an academy school, an alternative provision academy, a city technology college or a city college for the technology of the arts at which religious education in accordance with the tenets of the Church of England is or is to be provided.

2. The trustee may, after payment of any expenses incurred in connection with the administration of the trust, apply the capital and income of the trust assets for any of the following purposes—

- (a) in or towards the purchase of a site for, or the erection, improvement or enlargement of, the premises of any relevant school in the area;
- (b) for the maintenance of any relevant school in the area;
- (c) in or towards the purchase of a site for, or the erection, improvement or enlargement of, the premises of a teacher’s house for use in connection with any relevant school in the area; and
- (d) for the maintenance of a teacher’s house for use in connection with any relevant school in the area.

3. The trustee may also, after payment of any expenses incurred in connection with the administration of the trust, apply the income of the trust assets for any of the following purposes—

- (a) in or towards the provision of advice, guidance and resources (including materials) in connection with any matter related to the management of, or education provided at, any relevant school in the area;
- (b) the provision of services for the carrying out of any inspection of any relevant school in the area required by Part 1 of the Education Act 2005^(a); and
- (c) to defray the cost of employing or engaging staff in connection with
 - (i) the application of income of the trust assets for either of the purposes referred to in sub-paragraphs (a) and (b) above, or
 - (ii) the application of capital or income of the trust assets for any of the purposes referred to in paragraph 2 above.

^(a) 2005 c. 18.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order appoints the Leeds Diocesan Board of Finance Limited as trustee of the foundation known as Horton in Ribblesdale Church of England School (previously Horton in Ribblesdale Grammar School), except for the teacher's house of the school, and makes new provision as to the use of part of the endowment of that foundation. The Order provides for the trust assets to be held on the uniform statutory trusts as set out in the Schedule to the Order (being the uniform statutory trusts set out in Schedule 36 to the Education Act 1996 as they apply to the relevant trust assets) for the benefit of Church of England voluntary schools, foundation schools, academy schools, alternative provision academies, city technology colleges and city colleges for the technology of the arts in the Diocese of Leeds.