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Katharine Lady Berkeley's School Foundation

Registered Charity No. 311706

The Foundation is a permanent charitable trust with income and property derived originally from the assets endowed by Katharine Lady Berkeley. The original Trust Deed, dated 20 October 1384, sealed with Katharine's personal seal (above), still in use in the school today, endows "a school-house in Wotton... for the maintenance of a master and two poor scholars of the art of grammar".

The Current Governing Document of the charity is Scheme No. 4879S made by the Secretary of State for Education & Science under Section 18 of the Charities Act 1960 and sealed on 10 November 1964; amended by order of the Charity Commissioners, Scheme No. 445S sealed on 18 December 1986 deletes "Grammar" from the title. The Trustees of the charity are the Governors of Katharine Lady Berkeley's School Foundation. New Trustees of the charity are appointed by the existing Trustees as and when a vacancy occurs.

To allow the School to become an Academy on 1 August 2011 a Scheme Modification Order, issued by the Secretary of State for Education on 27 July 2011, includes power to sell, transfer or lease property to be held on trust for the purposes of an Academy, within the meaning of the Academies Act 2010. The Articles of Association of the Academy Trust, Katharine Lady Berkeley's School (company no. 07696921), replace the Instrument of Government in the Scheme.

The Articles of Association of the Academy Trust entitle the Foundation Trustees to appoint up to six members of the Academy Trust. Those appointed do not have to be (but may be) Trustees of the Foundation. The Academy Trust has determined that membership shall be co-terminus with the governing body of the Academy. Those appointed are thereby governors of the Academy, with four-yearly terms of office and no restriction on reappointment.

Assets include land forming the major part of the current school. In 1963 the original Grammar School buildings and land in Kingswood Road were exchanged for the school built in 1726, now KLB Mews, in School Lane, Wotton-under-Edge. The present site is used by the school under lease from the Foundation, as directed by the Secretary of State under paragraph 4 of the Academies Act 2010.

The Trustees manage an investment portfolio, taking professional advice, which provides income for the Academy. The income is available to provide special benefits to the Academy not normally provided through the Academy's regular grant funding. Grants to pupils continue to be made, where special need has been demonstrated, in particular for field trips and overseas educational projects. Investment management forms a major part of the business of the Foundation and its Finance & General Purposes Committee meet with their advisors twice yearly, in addition to the annual and general meetings of Trustees.