



Statement of internal control

- 1 This statement relates to the 12 month period from 1st April 2024 to the 31st March 2025. The Governing Body is responsible for ensuring that the school:
 - keeps proper accounting records during the year which will disclose, with reasonable accuracy and at any time, the financial position of the school, have been drawn up in accordance with the DfE (CFR) guidelines, and will enable it to prepare an annual income and expenditure statement that complies with DfE guidelines;
 - maintains and operates an effective system of internal control to safeguard all the resources delegated, granted or otherwise entrusted to the school and ensure they are used cost effectively.

- 2 The system of internal control has been developed and is coordinated by the Headteacher. It aims to provide as much assurance as is reasonably possible that assets are safeguarded, transactions are properly authorised and recorded and that material errors or irregularities are either prevented or can be detected promptly.

- 3 Our review of the effectiveness of the systems of internal control is informed by:
 - our regular scrutiny of financial and other performance monitoring data;
 - regular reports from the Headteacher and other managers to the Governing Body;
 - the most recent report of the school's internal auditor dated July 2023;
 - our most recent self-evaluation of the internal controls undertaken.

- 4 We are satisfied that the internal control systems in operation at the school during the year, up to and including the signature date below, were adequate and effective.

Signed: Date: 2024
(Headteacher)

Signed: Date: 2024
(Chair of the Resources committee)

Signed: Date: 2024
(Chair of the Governing Body)