

SCHEDULE 4

Regulation 9

Appointment of partnership governors

1. Where a partnership governor is required in relation to a school which is designated under section 69(3) of SSFA 1998 as having a religious character, the governing body must seek nominations from—

- (a) in the case of a Church of England school or a Roman Catholic Church school, the appropriate diocesan authority; and
- (b) in any other case, the appropriate religious body.

2. Where a partnership governor is required in relation to a school which does not have a religious character, the governing body must seek nominations from parents of registered pupils at the school, and from such other persons in the community served by the school as they consider appropriate.

3. No person may nominate for appointment, or appoint, a person as a partnership governor unless that person would be eligible for appointment by the governing body as a community governor.

4. Subject to paragraph 5(2), no governor may nominate a person for appointment as a partnership governor.

5.—(1) The governing body must appoint such number of partnership governors as is required by the instrument of government from among eligible nominees.

(2) If the number of eligible nominees is less than the number of vacancies, the number of partnership governors required may be made up by persons selected by the governing body.

6. Where the governing body makes an appointment under paragraph 5(2), having rejected any person nominated under paragraphs 1 or 2, they must give written reasons for their decision to—

- (a) the local education authority;
- (b) the person or body who nominated the person rejected; and
- (c) the person rejected.

7. The governing body must make all necessary arrangements for and determine all other matters relating to the nomination and appointment of partnership governors.

8. For the purposes of this Schedule, “appropriate diocesan authority” and “appropriate religious body” have the meanings given by regulation 28.