STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Designation of Schools Having a Religious Character (Independent Schools) (England) (No. 3) Order 2013

Made - - - - 24th December 2013

The Secretary of State for Education makes the following Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 69(3) of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998(1), as applied in relation to independent schools by section 124B(1)(2) of that Act.

In making this Order the Secretary of State has followed the procedure specified in the Religious Character of Schools (Designation Procedure) (Independent Schools) (England) Regulations 2003(**3**).

Citation

1. This Order may be cited as the Designation of Schools Having a Religious Character (Independent Schools) (England) (No. 3) Order 2013.

Designation of school

2.—(1) The Leeds Christian School of Excellence, Avenue Hill, Leeds, LS8 4EX, is designated as a school having a religious character.

(2) The religion in accordance with whose tenets the school is conducted is Christianity.

Peter Swift Deputy Director Department for Education

24th December 2013

⁽**1**) 1998 c. 31.

⁽²⁾ Section 124B was inserted by the Independent Schools (Employment of Teachers in Schools with a Religious Character) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/2037) and has been amended by the Alternative Provision Academies (Consequential Amendments to Acts) (England) Order 2012 (S.I. 2012/976).

⁽³⁾ S.I. 2003/2314, as amended by S.I. 2004/2262.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order designates the Leeds Christian School of Excellence, Avenue Hill, Leeds, LS8 4EX (an independent school) as a school having a religious character, the religion of the school being Christianity.

Under section 124A of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998, independent schools which are designated as having a religious character are permitted to take account of certain religious or denominational considerations in making specified employment decisions which relate to teaching staff (such as decisions on appointment or promotion).

Designation by this Order is not of itself a means of acquiring a religious character or of changing religious character. Designation is the recognition of certain existing attributes of the school or its governing body as described in the Religious Character of Schools (Designation Procedure) (Independent Schools) (England) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/2314, as amended by S.I. 2004/2262).