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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2023 No. 814**

**EDUCATION, ENGLAND**

**The Designation of Schools Having a  
Religious Character (England) Order 2023**

*Made* - - - - *17th July 2023*

*Coming into force* - - *18th July 2023*

The Secretary of State for Education, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 69(3) and (4) of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998<sup>(1)</sup>, makes the following Order.

In making this Order, the Secretary of State has followed the procedure specified in the Religious Character of Schools (Designation Procedure) Regulations 1998<sup>(2)</sup>.

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Designation of Schools Having a Religious Character (England) Order 2023 and comes into force on the day after the day on which it is made.

**Designation of school**

2.—(1) Fulstow Church of England Primary School, Lincolnshire, LN11 0XL, a voluntary controlled school, is designated as a school having a religious character.

(2) The religious denomination in accordance with whose tenets religious education is, or may be, required to be provided in accordance with Schedule 19 to the School Standards and Framework Act 1998<sup>(3)</sup>, is, Church of England.

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(1) [1998 c. 31](#). Section 69 was amended by paragraph 104 of Schedule 21 to the Education Act [2002 \(c. 32\)](#) and [S.I. 2010/1158](#). By virtue of [S.I. 1999/672](#), the powers conferred by these provisions are exercisable by the Secretary of State only in relation to England.

(2) [S.I. 1998/2535](#); to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

(3) Schedule 19 was amended by paragraph 117 of Schedule 21 to the Education Act [2002 \(c. 32\)](#) and [S.I. 2010/1158](#).

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**Status:** This is the original version (as it was originally made). This item of legislation is currently only available in its original format.

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Signed on behalf of the Secretary of State

17th July 2023

*Roger Cotes*  
Deputy Director  
Department for Education

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order designates **Fulstow Church of England Primary School**, Lincolnshire, LN11 0XL, a voluntary controlled school, as having the religious character specified in article 3(2) in accordance with section 69(3) and (4) of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 (“the Act”).

Designation as a school which has a religious character is relevant for a number of purposes under the Act, notably:

- (a) as part of the mechanism for determining the form of religious education to be provided under Schedule 19 to the Act;
- (b) as part of the mechanism for determining the form of collective worship to be provided under Schedule 20 to the Act; and
- (c) as part of the mechanism for determining school staffing matters under sections 58 to 60 of the Act.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sectors is foreseen.