

**COLLEGES OF EDUCATION  
(NORTHERN IRELAND) ORDER 2005**

**S.I. 2005 1963**

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**EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

**COMMENTARY ON ARTICLES**

**Part II – The College**

11. [Article 3](#) provides for the establishment of a body corporate to be governing body responsible for the management of the college. Schedule 1 makes detailed provision on the transfer of certain property, rights, liabilities and staff to the governing body on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2005 or a later date to be appointed by the Department
12. [Articles 4 and 5](#) provide for the creation and amendment of an instrument of government which deals with the constitution of the governing body, and articles of government in accordance with which the governing body and the college are to be conducted. Schedule 2 sets out further detail about the membership and proceedings of the governing body.
13. [Article 6](#) sets out the general duties of the governing body in respect of the efficient management of the college and the provision of education to students, including a requirement to have regard to persons with learning difficulties.
14. [Article 7](#) lists the principal powers of the governing body.
15. [Article 8](#) places certain restrictions on how the governing body shall exercise its powers.
16. [Article 9](#) provides for the keeping of accounts by the governing body and provides for the Department to issue directions as to the preparation and audit of such accounts. This Article also provides for the right of access by the Comptroller and Auditor General and the Department to the books, accounts and records of the governing body.
17. [Article 10](#) makes detailed provision in the event of the discontinuation of the college which must be made by order of the Department