



# CHATHAM & CLARENDON GRAMMAR SCHOOL

## People with significant control

Agreed by Directors: May 2016

### 1. Background

From April 1<sup>st</sup> 2016 most UK companies and LLPs have an obligation to set up and maintain a register of individuals or legal entities which shows who has significant control over the company or LLP.

All charitable companies limited by guarantee, which include academy trusts and all wholly-owned trading subsidiaries of academy trusts, will be subject to the regime.

The new measure has been introduced by the Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Act 2015 to increase corporate transparency by creating a full picture of both the legal and beneficial ownership of businesses, with the aim of combatting tax evasion, money laundering and the financing of terrorist activities.

One of the criteria for being a Person with Significant Control (PSC) is holding, either directly or indirectly, more than 25% of the voting rights. For an academy trust this refers to the make-up of its members.

Any academy trust will need to list its members as PSCs if the number of members is three or less. If there are four or more members – which will usually be the case, (the EFA suggest that five is the preferred number) – each individual will hold no more than 25%, and hence there will be no PSC.

### 2. Register

**The PSC register must not be blank.** As there are currently four members, there is no PSC and therefore Chatham & Clarendon Grammar School needs to keep a PSC register containing the specific wording stating that there is no registrable person:

*The School knows or has reasonable cause to believe that there is no registrable relevant legal entity in relation to the school operating as a trust company”.*

This register will need to be reviewed every four years – next review date: May 2020.

**People with Significant Control Register**

**2016/17** *The School knows or has reasonable cause to believe that there is no registrable relevant legal entity in relation to the school operating as a trust company". Currently there are four members.*

**2017/18** *The School knows or has reasonable cause to believe that there is no registrable relevant legal entity in relation to the school operating as a trust company". Currently there are four members.*