

# SAINT ROBERT LAWRENCE CATHOLIC ACADEMY TRUST

Company Number 07937154

## VALUE FOR MONEY STATEMENT

Year Ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2013

I accept that as accounting officer of Saint Robert Lawrence Catholic Academy Trust I am responsible and accountable for ensuring that the academy trust delivers good value in the use of public resources. I am aware of the guide to academy value for money statements published by the Education Funding Agency and understand that value for money refers to the educational and wider societal outcomes achieved in return for the taxpayer resources received.

I set out below how I have ensured that the academy trust's use of its resources has provided good value for money during the academic year: *(taken from Statement of Best Value adopted by the Academy Trust in December 2012)*

- a) The existence of a programme of performance review which will aim for continual improvement. Existing mechanisms such as school development plans and post-Ofsted inspection plans will be developed to satisfy the requirements for review. The reviews will include:
- b) **challenging** how and why a service is provided (including consideration of alternative providers);
- c) **comparison** of performance against other schools taking into account the views of parents and pupils;
- d) mechanisms to **consult** stakeholders, especially parents and pupils;
- e) embracing **competition** as a means of securing efficient and effective services.
- f) That internal and external audit takes place ensuring that performance information is scrutinised.

Signed: .....  .....

Name: Mrs Joan McCarthy  
Academy Trust Accounting Officer

Date: 9<sup>th</sup> December 2013