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The Rt Revd Dr Nicholas Chamberlain
Chair of the Lincoln Diocesan
Board of Education

4th May 2021

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

I write to share the news with you that after nine years as Diocesan Director of Education, Jackie Waters-Dewhurst is leaving our team on 31st August 2021. She will continue as Chief Executive Officer of the Lincoln Anglican Academy Trust.

Jackie's move means that the Board will restructure senior roles, with the intention of providing the best configuration of leaders to ensure continued outstanding service to our schools and academies.

While there will be opportunity to thank Jackie for all her work as DDE at her farewell, I would as Chair of the Board simply like to say that Jackie has assembled and led an outstanding team that has greatly enriched both the Church schools of the Diocese of Lincoln and our wider diocesan life. Moreover, although Jackie will be sorely missed as our Director of Education, we can rejoice that she will be continuing to contribute to education in Greater Lincolnshire through her leadership of LAAT.

The Bishop of Lincoln, the Rt Revd Christopher Lowson, who appointed Jackie as DDE in 2012, says: 'I am very grateful for all that Jackie has given to the communities of our Church schools since her arrival. With characteristic hard work and good sense of humour, she has presided over a positive transformation in our relationships with our partners in parishes, local authorities and with the Regional Schools' Commissioner. All this has profoundly enhanced the experience of our children and young people'.

This message comes with my prayers for all involved in education in the diocese, and with my thanks to you all for your dedication,

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May you know God's blessing this Eastertide,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "+ Nicholas Grantham". The signature is written in a cursive style with a cross at the beginning.

Rt Revd Dr Nicholas Chamberlain
Bishop of Grantham – Chair of Lincoln Diocesan Board of Education