

# **Monkton Infants School**

(A company limited by guarantee)

**Annual report**

**31 August 2021**

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## Reference and administrative details

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<b>Members</b>	Mr WF Armstrong Mrs J Hansen Mrs J Ware (appointed 24 February 2021, resigned 14 June 2021) Mrs M Kirkland Mr D Pickering (appointed 14 June 2021)
<b>Governors</b>	Mr M Hodgson, Chair Mr R Cheadle, Vice Chair Mrs C Askwith, Principal Mrs H Winter, Deputy Principal Mr WF Armstrong Mrs J Ware (appointed 14 June 2021) Mrs J Hansen Ms J Watkins Mrs V McGregor Mrs S J Stewart (appointed 28 May 2021) Mrs C Owens Mrs G Stevenson (resigned 28 May 2021) Mrs K Snowdon (appointed 28 May 2021) Miss S McGuinness (resigned 28 May 2021)
<b>Company registered number</b>	08354212
<b>Company name</b>	Monkton Infants School
<b>Principal and registered office</b>	St. Simon Street South Shields Tyne and Wear NE34 9SD
<b>Company secretary</b>	Ms J Daglish
<b>Principal</b>	Mrs C Askwith
<b>Senior management team</b>	Mrs C Askwith, Principal Mrs H Winter, Deputy Principal Ms J Watkins, Business Manager Ms A Morton, Early Years Lead
<b>Independent auditor</b>	UNW LLP Chartered Accountants Citygate St James Boulevard Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 4JE

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<b>Bankers</b>	Lloyds Bank 101 Kings Street South Shields South Tyneside NE33 1DT
<b>Solicitors</b>	Womble Bond Dickinson LLP St Anns Wharf 112 Quayside Road Newcastle upon Tyne NE1 3DX

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## **Trustees' report**

**Year ended 31 August 2021**

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The trustees (who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act) present their annual report together with the audited financial statements of Monkton Infants School (the Academy) for the year ended 31 August 2021. The annual report serves the purposes of both a trustees' report, and a directors report under company law.

The trust operates an Academy for pupils aged 4-7 serving a catchment area in South Tyneside. The separate nursery caters for children aged 2 to 4 years. The academy has a pupil capacity of 258 and had a roll of 178 as at July 2021.

### **Structure, governance and management**

#### **Constitution**

The academy is a company limited by guarantee and an exempt charity. It was set up by a Memorandum of Association on 1 February 2013. The principal object of the academy is to advance for the public benefit education in the United Kingdom, in particular but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing by establishing, maintaining, carrying on, managing and developing a school, which shall offer a broad and balanced curriculum.

Details of the trustees who served in during the year, and to the date these accounts are approved are included in the Reference and Administrative Details on page 1.

There have been no changes in the objectives since the last annual report.

#### **Members' liability**

Each member of the charitable company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the charitable company in the event of it being wound up while they are a member, or within one year after they cease to be a member, such amount as may be required, not exceeding £1, for the debts and liabilities contracted before they ceased to be a member.

#### **Method of recruitment and appointment or election of governors**

The term of office for any trustee shall be 4 years, save that this time limit shall not apply to the principal or any post held ex-officio. Subject to remaining eligible to be a particular type of trustee, any trustee may be re-appointed or re-elected.

The make-up of the board of trustees is as follows:

- Principal
- 4 Trust Trustees
- 4 Co-opted Trustees
- 3 Parent Trustees
- 2 Staff Trustees

The approach taken by the Academy to recruit new trustees varies as to the type of trustee:

Parent trustees are elected by parents of pupils in school and nursery, following an appeal for nominations; then a ballot process is carried out.

Co-opted trustees are recruited through recommendation from serving Trustees or via an online Governor provision site. Each potential Trustee undergoes a meeting with the Chair of Trustees and the Principal during which the role of Trustee is outlined in detail. There is also the opportunity for the potential Trustee to explain the reasons as to why they wish to become a Trustee for the Academy.

Following this meeting, if both parties are in agreement that the recruitment should proceed, at the next Board

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meeting, the Chair of Trustees informs the trustees of the potential trustee, trustees then vote as to whether to accept the new recruit. If successful, the new recruit is then invited to join the meeting.

### **Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees**

The training and induction provided for new trustees depends on their existing experience. Where necessary induction and training is provided on educational, legal and financial matters. The academy buys into an annual service level agreement for trustee training and support. All new trustees are given a tour of the academy and the chance to meet with staff and students. All newly appointed trustees are provided with an induction pack and other documents that they will need to undertake in their role as a trustee. As there are normally only one or two new trustees each year, induction is undertaken formally and is tailored to the individual.

The academy buys into a service level agreement for trustee services and a training session is provided specifically for the induction of newly appointed trustees, which is recognised by a certificate at the end of the training. Every year trustees receive a personal training planner, which highlights training sessions available, and trustees are encouraged to attend.

### **Organisational structure**

During the year, the academy has operated a unified leadership structure. The structure consists of two levels: the trustees and the senior leadership team. The leadership team work closely with middle leaders through the link strategy, thus ensuring that "leadership" and "management" is devolved accordingly within the academy.

Trustees are responsible for setting general policy, adopting the annual 'Improvement Plan' and agreeing the budget. This also involves monitoring the academy by the use of budgets, agreeing major decisions about the direction of the academy, capital expenditure and senior staff appointments.

The senior leadership team consist of the principal, deputy principal, early years lead and school business manager who provide the strategic leadership for the academy implementing the policies laid down by the trustees and reporting to them via the principal. The senior leadership team is responsible for the day-to-day running of the academy, the financial management of the academy funds and the appointment of staff through interview panels that may contain a trustee.

### **Trustees' Indemnities**

The Academy has purchased insurance to protect Trustees from claims arising against negligent acts, errors or omissions occurring whilst on Academy business.

### **Arrangements for setting pay and remuneration of key management personnel**

Salaries are set for senior staff by the governing body in accordance with the pay policy approved by governors and are subject to successful annual performance management procedures. The principal's salary is agreed by a panel of governors who are advised by the school improvement partner and is dependent upon her performance against annual performance management objectives.

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### **Objectives and Activities**

#### **Objects and aims**

The principle object and activity of the company is the operation of Monkton Infants School to provide education for students of different abilities between the ages of 3 and 7.

In accordance with the articles of association the academy trust's objects is specifically to advance, for the public benefit, education in the United Kingdom.

#### **Objectives, strategies and activities**

The academy's main objectives are encompassed in its Mission Statement:

Monkton Infants School strives to help all children to develop their full potential within a happy, safe and challenging environment. We create a positive and supportive ethos in which academic and personal development can flourish through a broad, relevant and balanced curriculum.

Many people, especially staff and trustees, have contributed to formulating aims for the academy, which are given below. Trustees and staff are committed to working very hard to make them a reality in the daily working life of the school.

Our aims are:

- To ensure all children are making good progress in all areas of development;
- To help pupils secure high academic attainment;
- To provide a creative, engaging and broad and balanced curriculum;
- To foster a love of learning and school life in pupils;
- To work effectively with parents/carers and the wider community for mutual benefit;
- To provide highly skilled and motivated staff and trustees; and
- To secure a high quality learning environment in which children can flourish.

#### **Public benefit**

The company's aims and objectives are set out within this report. The activities set out in this report have been undertaken to further the company's charitable purposes for the public benefit. The trustees have complied with the duty under Section 4 of the Charities Act 2006 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charities Commission and the trustees have paid due regard to this guidance in deciding what activities the school should undertake.

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### Strategic report

#### Achievements and performance

##### Key performance indicators

The academy was once again affected by the restrictions imposed by the DfE in response to the continuing pandemic. This resulted in a period of 'restricted attendance', January – March 2021, where only the children of key workers and vulnerable children attended school. Procedures for remote (home) education were firmly embedded during these months for children forced to remain at home; these proved to be effective and were appreciated by parents/ carers.

The academy opened fully to all pupils at the start of the summer term; however sporadic disruptions continued throughout the term as separate classes, and staff, were forced to isolate in response to positive cases being reported.

Inevitably, this continued disruption to learning adversely affected the attainment and progress of the different pupil groups. There was no requirement to report summer data to the Local Authority or DfE, for any year groups, however data was collected and analysed within school in the usual way.

##### Early Years Foundation Stage - Summer 2021

Skills on Entry to Nursery	Well below average
Skills on Entry to Reception	Below Average
% Achieving a Good Level of Development	72%
Achievement	Good

##### Key Stage 1

Achievement at the end of Key Stage 1 is consistently good however learning and attainment was affected by the pandemic and period of restricted attendance.

Using summer data, levels remained high overall with the following proportion of children expected to achieve the expected progress or above:

Reading - 75%

Writing - 60%

Maths - 78%

	Reading		Writing		Maths	
	Exp	Exp+	Exp	Exp+	Exp	Exp+
All pupils – 46 in cohort	59%	16%	60%	-	73%	5%
Male	57%	10%	49%	-	69%	5%
Female	64%	29%	83%	-	83%	-
Pupil Premium	63%	7%	54%	-	66%	6%
Non Pupil Premium	53%	29%	70%	-	90%	-
SEND	38%	-	-	-	80%	-
Non SEND	63%	13%	75%	-	76%	12%

The data has been carefully analysed and is used to inform the school improvement plan. However, comparison to the previous year is not valid due to the periods of school closure and restricted attendance.



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### Year 1 Phonics Screen

The official screening was cancelled due to the pandemic. However, a phonics check was carried out in school using a past screening check; 73% of pupils achieved the pass mark.

	Number in cohort	Pass %	Fail %
All pupils	44	73%	27%
Male	23	65%	35%
Female	21	81%	19%
SEND	8	25%	75%
Non-SEND	36	83%	17%
Pupil Premium	16	44%	56%
Non - Pupil Premium	28	89%	11%

### Year 2 Phonics Screen - December 2020

This was rescheduled from June 2020 due to the pandemic; all children in Yr 2 undertook the screening and the pass rate was 86%. The LA average pass rate was 77.3%.

	Number in cohort	Pass %	Fail %
All pupils	44	86%	14%
Male	30	80%	20%
Female	14	100%	-
SEND	8	75%	25%
Non-SEND	36	89%	11%
Pupil Premium	27	85%	15%
Non - Pupil Premium	17	88%	12%

The teaching of phonics remains a priority for the school this year. Intervention groups have been implemented to narrow the learning gap between pupil groups.

### **Review of Activities**

The academy has continued to perform well over the year and all pupils have made at least satisfactory, but generally good, progress in all areas of learning. Progress and attainment were adversely affected, for a second year, due to the period of restricted attendance during the spring term; however, the academy continues to operate effectively throughout the continuing pandemic.

The Academy underwent a 2-day OFSTED inspection in November 2019 and retained the grade as a 'Good school'.

Outside visits and visitors were curtailed as a result of the continuing pandemic restrictions. Home learning was provided for all children unable to attend school; this was delivered via the internet or through the use of home learning packs which were handed out to children. Staff maintained contact with pupils at home via 'Class Dojo' instant messaging or by telephone calls.

Parents are supportive of the academy; however, they have been unable to attend any in-school activities – e.g. weekly community assemblies, concerts and performances as restrictions were imposed. Christmas and Easter performances were recorded in school, without an audience, these recordings were then edited and copied onto USBs for the parents to purchase. This generated much needed funds for the school.

The parents' meetings, usually held twice during the year, were also cancelled. Parents/carers were informed of their child's attainment via a written termly report and also by meetings held by telephone call where requested.

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The learning environment within the academy is utilised in such a way as to enhance learning and provide a safe and welcoming place in which to learn. Staff are motivated and knowledgeable; they undertake regular training in all areas of the curriculum to ensure their subject knowledge is relevant and effective.

The emotional health and wellbeing of pupils and staff has been an area of high priority over the past year as a result of the pandemic, and will remain a priority over the current year.

### **Principal risk and uncertainties**

Monkton Infants School has in place procedures to identify and mitigate financial risks. The principle risks and uncertainties are centred on the changes in the level of funding from the DfE/ESFA. In addition, the academy is a member of the Tyne and Wear Pension Fund (LGPS), which results in the recognition of a significant deficit on the academy balance sheet. The trustees monitor these risks regularly.

### **Financial review**

Most of the academy's income is obtained from the DfE via the ESFA in the form of recurrent grants, the use of which is restricted to particular purposes. The grants received from the DfE/ESFA during the period 1 September 2020 to 31 August 2021 and the associated expenditure are shown as restricted funds in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA).

The academy also receives grants for fixed assets from the DfE/ESFA. In accordance with the charities Statement of Recommended Practice, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (SORP 2019), such grants are shown in the SOFA as restricted income in the fixed asset fund. The restricted fixed asset fund balance is reduced by annual depreciation charges over the expected useful life of the assets concerned.

During the period 1 September 2020 to 31 August 2021, total expenditure of £1,101,158 was exceeded by recurrent grant funding from the DfE/ESFA together with the incoming resources. The excess of expenditure over income for the period (before transfers and actuarial gains, and excluding restricted fixed asset funds) was £115,851.

All of the expenditure shown in the SOFA is in furtherance of the academy's objectives.

At 31 August 2021 the net book value of fixed assets was £1,420,872 and movements in tangible fixed assets are shown in the Financial Statements. The assets are used exclusively for providing education and the associated support services to the students of the academy.

The provision of Financial Reporting Standard 102 have been applied in full in respect of LGPS pension scheme, resulting in a deficit of £692,000 recognised on the balance sheet.

The Academy held fund balances at 31 August 2021 of £927,130 comprising of £870,161 of restricted funds and £56,969 of unrestricted funds.

### **Fundraising**

The academy trust does not use any external fundraisers. All fundraising undertaken during the year was monitored by the trustees.

### **Going concern**

As set out above, the pandemic had an impact on the operations of the school in the latter part of the year. The financial impact however has not been significant with the main funding streams unchanged; at 31 August 2021 the academy had cash reserves of £303,471 (2020: £318,524).

After making appropriate enquiries, the board of trustees has a reasonable expectation that the academy has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason it continues

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to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further detail regarding the adoption of the going concern basis of preparation is given in the accounting policies.

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### Promoting the success of the company

The trustees consider, both individually and collectively, that they have acted in the way they consider, in good faith, would be most likely to promote the success of the charitable company for the benefit of the members as a whole, having regard for the stakeholders and members as set out in S172(1) (a - f) of the Companies Act 2006, in the decisions taken during the year ended 31 August 2021.

### Reserves policy

The academy held fund balances at 31 August 2021 of £927,130 (2020: £1,050,981) comprising £870,161 (2020: £938,515) of restricted funds and £56,969 (2020: £112,466) of unrestricted funds. Free reserves (ie those not designated or tied up in fixed assets) amounted to £198,258 including restricted revenue funds held.

The reserves policy in place ensures that the academy:

- Maintains sufficient cash balances in its current account to meet its day-to-day commitments
- Invests surplus cash to earn an acceptable rate of return without undue risk
- Consider spreading risk between differing types of investment and institutions to reduce credit risk

The Principal and Governing Body have overall responsibility for the security and management of funds. The day-to-day management of the treasury function is controlled by the School Business Manager and School Bursar; who will liaise with the Principal and Governing Body in relation to investment decisions. Given the continuing uncertainty over the impact of the pandemic and future funding for pension costs, the governors consider this level to be satisfactory at around three months' costs.

### Investment Policy

The Academy will operate an interest bearing current account with a bank approved by the Governing Body and maintain sufficient balances to ensure there are adequate liquid funds to cover all immediate and forthcoming financial commitments, including maintaining a sufficient contingency for unexpected payments.

Monies surplus to the working requirements shall be invested in term deposits with the current banker or with another UK institution regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority or the Prudential Regulation Authority.

The Governing Body reserves the power to:

- Give prior approval to the opening of new bank current accounts
- Amend the approved institutions with whom the Academy will invest
- Give prior approval to any bank deposit with a maturity date exceeding six months

The Governing Body delegates authority to the Principal to place deposits in the Academy's name, at approved institutions, subject to the agreed limits within this policy. No deposits will be placed without prior agreement with the Principal or other signatory subject to the relevant limits.

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### Plans for the future

- Approaches to wellbeing and mental health for pupils and staff will be further developed in school especially in relation to the ongoing pandemic;
- To broaden the range of taught reading skills and raise attainment further with reference to 'The Reading Framework';
- To address the 'dip' in basic writing skills in Key Stage 1, caused by the periods of restricted attendance; and
- To ensure the school has an effective process for remote education in preparation for any further disruption to attendance/ for children unable to attend school due to the on-going pandemic.

### Disclosure of information to auditor

Insofar as the trustees are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware, and
- that governors have taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a governor in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charitable company's auditor is aware of that information.

### Auditor

The auditor, UNW LLP, has indicated its willingness to continue in office. The designated trustees will propose a motion re-appointing the auditor at a meeting of the governors.

The trustees' report, incorporating a strategic report, was approved by order of the board of trustees, as the company directors, on 18 November 2021 and signed on its behalf by:



**Mr M Hodgson**  
Chair of trustees

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## Governance Statement

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### Scope of responsibility

As trustees, we acknowledge we have overall responsibility for ensuring that Monkton Infants School has an effective and appropriate system of control, financial and otherwise. However, such a system is designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve business objectives, and can provide only reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss.

The board of trustees has delegated the day-to-day responsibility to the principal, as accounting officer, for ensuring financial controls conform to the requirements of both propriety and good financial management, and in accordance with the requirements and responsibilities assigned to it in the funding agreement between Monkton Infants School and the Secretary of State for Education. They are also responsible for reporting to the board of trustees any material weaknesses or breakdowns in internal control.

### Governance

The information on governance included here supplements that described in the trustees' report and in the statement of trustees' responsibilities. The board of trustees has formally met 5 times during the year.

Attendance during the year at meetings of the board of trustees was as follows:

Trustee	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
Mr M Hodgson, Chair	5	5
Mr R Cheadle, Vice Chair	2	4
Mrs C Askwith, Principal	5	5
Mrs H Winter, Deputy Principal	2	4
Mr WF Armstrong	5	5
Mrs J Ware	4	4
Mrs J Hansen	5	5
Ms J Watkins	3	5
Mrs V McGregor	0	3
Mrs S J Stewart	4	5
Mrs C Owens	0	3
Mrs G Stevenson	0	0
Mrs K Snowdon	0	0
Miss S McGuinness	0	0

During 2020-2021, Mrs Stevenson and Miss McGuinness resigned from the Trust Board and Miss Snowdon, Mrs Stewart and Mrs Ware joined. Mrs Ware originally joined as a member to replace Mrs Kirkland, but was replaced by Mr Pickering when she became a trustee.

As trustees, we have reviewed and taken account of the guidance in DfE's Governance Handbook and competency framework for governance. As a relatively small single academy trust, we acknowledge that it is not always viable for the trust board to meet 6 times a year as recommended in the Academies Financial Handbook. However, the trust is still able to maintain affective oversight of funds through regular sub committee meetings and hands on management. Management accounts are circulated and reviewed by Trustees in between meetings.

The finance and audit committee is a sub-committee of the main board of trustees. Its purpose is to provide further assistance to the senior leadership team in financial and regulatory aspects of the academy.

Attendance during the year at meetings was as follows:

Trustee	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
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## Governance Statement (continued)

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### Governance (continued)

Mr M Hodgson	5	5
Mrs V McGregor	1	1
Mr W F Armstrong	6	6
Mrs J Hansen	5	6
Mrs C Owens	1	3

### Review of value for money

As accounting officer, the principal has responsibility for ensuring that the academy delivers good value in the use of public resources. The accounting officer understands that value for money refers to the educational and wider societal outcomes achieved in return for the taxpayer resources received.

The accounting officer considers how the academy's use of its resources has provided good value for money during each academic year, and reports to the board of trustees where value for money can be improved, including the use of benchmarking data where appropriate. The accounting officer for the academy has delivered improved value for money during the year by:

- Applying the agreed tendering process when seeking contractors to work within the academy;
- Renewing SLAs with reputable agencies, several of which incurred a loyalty bonus; and
- Implementing rigid purchasing procedures within the academy whereby all purchases are agreed by the Principal and School Business Manager.

### The purpose of the system of internal control

The system of internal control is designed to manage risk to a reasonable level rather than to eliminate all risk of failure to achieve policies, aims and objectives; it can therefore only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance of effectiveness. The system of internal control is based on an ongoing process designed to identify and prioritise the risks to the achievement of academy policies, aims and objectives, to evaluate the likelihood of those risks being realised and the impact should they be realised, and to manage them efficiently, effectively and economically. The system of internal control has been in place in Monkton Infants School for the year 1 September 2020 to 31 August 2021 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements.

### Capacity to handle risk

The board of trustees has reviewed the key risks to which the academy is exposed together with the operating, financial and compliance controls that have been implemented to mitigate those risks. The board of trustees is of the view that there is a formal ongoing process for identifying, evaluating and managing the academy's significant risks that has been in place for the year 1 September 2020 to 31 August 2021 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements. This process is regularly reviewed by the board of trustees.

### The risk and control framework

The academy's system of internal financial control is based on a framework of regular management information and administrative procedures including the segregation of duties and a system of delegation and accountability. In particular, it includes:

- comprehensive budgeting and monitoring systems with an annual budget and periodic financial reports which are reviewed and agreed by the board of trustees;
- regular reviews by the finance and audit committee of reports which indicate financial performance against the forecasts and of major purchase plans, capital works and expenditure programmes;
- setting targets to measure financial and other performance;
- clearly defined purchasing (asset purchase or capital investment) guidelines;
- delegation of authority and segregation of duties; and

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## Governance Statement (continued)

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### The risk and control framework (continued)

- identification and management of risks.

The board of trustees has decided to employ Clive Owen LLP as internal auditor.

The internal auditor's role includes giving advice on financial and other matters and performing a range of checks on the academy's financial systems. In particular, the checks carried out in the current period included:

- testing of balance sheet and control account reconciliations
- testing of the purchase process and controls
- testing of the payroll process and recruitment

The internal auditor conducted 2 Internal Audits throughout the year alongside the School Business Manager and Headteacher; during Spring 2021 and Summer 2021. The full report and recommendations were shared with Trustees during the termly meetings. No concerns have been highlighted.

### Review of effectiveness

As accounting officer, the principal has responsibility for reviewing the effectiveness of the system of internal control. During the year in question the review has been informed by:

- the work of the internal assurance function;
- the work of the external auditor;
- the financial management and governance self-assessment process;
- the work of the School Business Manager and School Bursar within the academy who have responsibility for the development and maintenance of the internal control framework.

The accounting officer has been advised of the implications of the result of their review of the system of internal control by the finance and audit committee and a plan to ensure continuous improvement of the system is in place.

Approved by order of the members of the board of trustees on 18 November 2021 and signed on their behalf by:



**Mr M Hodgson**  
Chair of trustees



**Mrs C Askwith**  
Accounting Officer



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## Statement of trustees' responsibilities Year ended 31 August 2021

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The trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the Academies Accounts Direction published by the Education and Skills Funding Agency, United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial . Under company law, the trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP 2019 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2020 to 2021;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for ensuring that in its conduct and operation the charitable company applies financial and other controls, which conform with the requirements both of propriety and of good financial management. They are also responsible for ensuring grants received from ESFA/DfE have been applied for the purposes intended.

The trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Approved by order of the members of the board of trustees on 18 November 2021 and signed on its behalf by:



**Mr M Hodgson**  
Chair of trustees

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### Statement on Regularity, Propriety and Compliance

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As accounting officer of Monkton Infants School I have considered my responsibility to notify the academy board of trustees and the Education & Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) of material irregularity, impropriety and non-compliance with terms and conditions of all funding received by the academy, under the funding agreement in place between the academy and the Secretary of State for Education. As part of my consideration I have had due regard to the requirements of the Academies Financial Handbook 2020.

I confirm that I and the academy board of trustees are able to identify any material irregular or improper use of all funds by the academy, or material non-compliance with the terms and conditions of funding under the academy's funding agreement and the Academies Financial Handbook 2020.

I confirm that no instances of material irregularity, impropriety or funding non-compliance have been discovered to date. If any instances are identified after the date of this statement, these will be notified to the board of trustees and ESFA.



**Mrs C Askwith**

Accounting Officer

Date: 18 November 2021



## **Independent auditor's report on the financial statements to the Members of Monkton Infants School**

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### **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Monkton Infants School ('the academy') for the year ended 31 August 2021 which comprise the Statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law, United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', the Charities SORP 2019 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2020 to 2021 issued by the Education and Skills Funding Agency.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the academy's affairs as at 31 August 2021 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006, the Charities SORP 2019 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2020 to 2021 issued by the Education and Skills Funding Agency.

### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the 'Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements' section of our report. We are independent of the academy in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

### **Conclusions relating to going concern**

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the academy's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.



## **Independent auditor's report on the financial statements to the Members of Monkton Infants School (continued)**

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### **Other information**

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

### **Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

- the information given in the Trustees' report including the Strategic report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.
- the Trustees' report and the Strategic report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

### **Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

In the light of our knowledge and understanding of the academy and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' report including the Strategic report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

### **Responsibilities of trustees**

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement, the trustees (who are also the directors of the academy for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the academy's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the academy or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.



## **Independent auditor's report on the financial statements to the Members of Monkton Infants School (continued)**

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### **Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

We identified areas of law and regulations that could reasonably be expected to have a material effect on the financial statements from our general and sector experience and through discussions with the trustees and other management (as required by Auditing Standards) and from inspection of the academy's legal correspondence and we discussed with the trustees and other management the policies and procedures regarding compliance with laws and regulations. We have communicated identified laws and regulations within our team and remained alert to any indications of non-compliance throughout the audit.

Firstly, the academy is subject to laws and regulations that directly affect the financial statements including financial reporting legislation (including related companies legislation), and taxation legislation and we have assessed the extent of compliance with these laws and regulations as part of our procedures on the related financial statement items.

Secondly, the academy is subject to many other laws and regulations where the consequences of non-compliance could have a material effect on amounts or disclosures in the financial statements, for instance through the imposition of fines and litigation. We identified the following areas as those most likely to have such an effect; health and safety, employment law, data protection, safeguarding and child protection and certain aspects of company legislation, recognising the nature of the academy's activities. Auditing Standards limit the required audit procedures to identify non-compliance with these laws and regulations to enquiry of the trustees and other management and inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any. Through these procedures we have not become aware of any actual or suspected non-compliance.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. This risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery, collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our auditor's report.



## **Independent auditor's report on the financial statements to the Members of Monkton Infants School (continued)**

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### **Use of our report**

This report is made solely to the academy's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the academy's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the academy and its members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Anne Hallowell'.

**Anne Hallowell BSc FCA DChA (Senior Statutory Auditor)**  
**for and on behalf of UNW LLP, Statutory Auditor**  
Chartered Accountants  
Newcastle upon Tyne

18 November 2021

# **Monkton Infants School**

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## **Independent Reporting Accountant's Assurance Report on Regularity to Monkton Infants School and the Education & Skills Funding Agency**

In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 26 September 2017 and further to the requirements of the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) as included in the Academies Accounts Direction 2020 to 2021, we have carried out an engagement to obtain limited assurance about whether the expenditure disbursed and income received by Monkton Infants School during the year 1 September 2020 to 31 August 2021 have been applied to the purposes identified by Parliament and the financial transactions conform to the authorities which govern them.

This report is made solely to Monkton Infants School and ESFA in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to Monkton Infants School and ESFA those matters we are required to state in a report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than Monkton Infants School and ESFA, for our work, for this report, or for the conclusion we have formed.

### **Respective responsibilities of Monkton Infants School's accounting officer and the reporting accountant**

The accounting officer is responsible, under the requirements of Monkton Infants School's funding agreement with the Secretary of State for Education dated 1 February 2013 and the Academies Financial Handbook, extant from 1 September 2020, for ensuring that expenditure disbursed and income received is applied for the purposes intended by Parliament and the financial transactions conform to the authorities which govern them.

Our responsibilities for this engagement are established in the United Kingdom by our profession's ethical guidance and are to obtain limited assurance and report in accordance with our engagement letter and the requirements of the Academies Accounts Direction 2020 to 2021. We report to you whether anything has come to our attention in carrying out our work which suggests that in all material respects, expenditure disbursed and income received during the year 1 September 2020 to 31 August 2021 have not been applied to purposes intended by Parliament or that the financial transactions do not conform to the authorities which govern them.

### **Approach**

We conducted our engagement in accordance with the Framework and Guide for External Auditors and Reporting Accountant of Academy Trusts issued by ESFA. We performed a limited assurance engagement as defined in our engagement letter.

The objective of a limited assurance engagement is to perform such procedures as to obtain information and explanations in order to provide us with sufficient appropriate evidence to express a negative conclusion on regularity.

A limited assurance engagement is more limited in scope than a reasonable assurance engagement and consequently does not enable us to obtain assurance that we would become aware of all significant matters that might be identified in a reasonable assurance engagement. Accordingly, we do not express a positive opinion.

Our engagement includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the regularity and propriety of the academy's income and expenditure.

The work undertaken to support our conclusion includes:

- testing a sample of expenditure to verify that the trust's procurement procedures have been followed for the items selected;
- testing a sample of payments to ensure that they are correctly authorised in accordance with the trust's policies;
- testing a sample of expenditure to verify that the nature of the spend is in line with funding agreements;
- testing a sample of income and expenditure to ensure systems and controls are being implemented in line with the trust's policies.

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### **Independent Reporting Accountant's Assurance Report on Regularity to Monkton Infants School and the Education & Skills Funding Agency (continued)**

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#### **Conclusion**

In the course of our work, nothing has come to our attention which suggest in all material respects the expenditure disbursed and income received during the year 1 September 2020 to 31 August 2021 has not been applied to purposes intended by Parliament and the financial transactions do not conform to the authorities which govern them.



Anne Hallowell BSc FCA DChA

UNW LLP  
Chartered Accountants

Date: 18 November 2021



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## Statement of financial activities (incorporating income and expenditure account) Year ended 31 August 2021

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Restricted fixed asset funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	Total funds 2020 £
<b>Income from:</b>						
Donations and capital grants	3	-	-	6,035	6,035	7,419
Charitable activities		19,450	959,504	-	978,954	1,029,272
Investments	5	31	-	-	31	119
Other income		287	-	-	287	507
<b>Total income</b>		<b>19,768</b>	<b>959,504</b>	<b>6,035</b>	<b>985,307</b>	<b>1,037,317</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
Charitable activities	6	15,853	1,028,630	56,675	1,101,158	1,058,034
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<b>15,853</b>	<b>1,028,630</b>	<b>56,675</b>	<b>1,101,158</b>	<b>1,058,034</b>
<b>Net income / (expenditure)</b>		<b>3,915</b>	<b>(69,126)</b>	<b>(50,640)</b>	<b>(115,851)</b>	<b>(20,717)</b>
Transfers between funds	15	(59,412)	-	59,412	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds before other recognised gains/(losses)</b>		<b>(55,497)</b>	<b>(69,126)</b>	<b>8,772</b>	<b>(115,851)</b>	<b>(20,717)</b>
<b>Other recognised gains/(losses):</b>						
Actuarial losses on defined benefit pension schemes	21	-	(8,000)	-	(8,000)	(176,000)
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>(55,497)</b>	<b>(77,126)</b>	<b>8,772</b>	<b>(123,851)</b>	<b>(196,717)</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>						
Total funds brought forward		112,466	(473,585)	1,412,100	1,050,981	1,247,698
Net movement in funds		(55,497)	(77,126)	8,772	(123,851)	(196,717)
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>56,969</b>	<b>(550,711)</b>	<b>1,420,872</b>	<b>927,130</b>	<b>1,050,981</b>

The notes on pages 27 to 49 form part of these financial statements.

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## Balance sheet At 31 August 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	12	1,420,872	1,412,100
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	13	34,570	34,316
Cash at bank and in hand		303,471	318,524
		<u>338,041</u>	<u>352,840</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	14	(139,783)	(96,959)
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>198,258</u>	<u>255,881</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>1,619,130</u>	<u>1,667,981</u>
<b>Net assets excluding pension liability</b>		<u>1,619,130</u>	<u>1,667,981</u>
Defined benefit pension scheme liability	21	(692,000)	(617,000)
<b>Total net assets</b>		<u><u>927,130</u></u>	<u><u>1,050,981</u></u>
<b>Funds of the academy</b>			
<b>Restricted funds:</b>			
Restricted fixed asset funds	15	1,420,872	1,412,100
Restricted income funds	15	141,289	143,415
		<u>1,562,161</u>	<u>1,555,515</u>
Restricted funds excluding pension liability	15	1,562,161	1,555,515
Pension reserve	15	(692,000)	(617,000)
<b>Total restricted funds</b>	15	<u>870,161</u>	<u>938,515</u>
<b>Unrestricted income funds</b>	15	<u>56,969</u>	<u>112,466</u>
<b>Total funds</b>		<u><u>927,130</u></u>	<u><u>1,050,981</u></u>

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### **Balance sheet (continued)**

**At 31 August 2021**

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The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to entities subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements on pages 23 to 49 were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 18 November 2021 and are signed on their behalf, by:



**Mr M Hodgson**  
Chair of Trustees

The notes on pages 27 to 49 form part of these financial statements.

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## Statement of cash flows Year ended 31 August 2021

	Note	2021 £	2020 £
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Net cash provided by operating activities	17	44,390	98,104
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>	18	(59,443)	(8,895)
<b>Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year</b>		(15,053)	89,209
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		318,524	229,315
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year</b>	19, 20	<u>303,471</u>	<u>318,524</u>

The notes on pages 27 to 49 form part of these financial statements

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## Notes to the financial statements Year ended 31 August 2021

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### 1. Accounting policies

A summary of the principal accounting policies adopted (which have been applied consistently, except where noted), judgments and key sources of estimation uncertainty, is set out below.

#### 1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements of the academy, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared under the historic cost convention in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard Applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Academies Accounts Direction 2020 to 2021 issued by ESFA, the Charities Act 2011 and the Companies Act 2006.

#### 1.2 Going concern

In determining the appropriate basis of preparation of the financial statements, the trustees are required to consider whether the use of going concern is appropriate and whether there are any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the academy to continue as a going concern for the foreseeable future, being a period of at least 12 months from the date of signing of these financial statements.

The trustees have performed this assessment and have prepared the financial statements on a going concern basis which is considered appropriate for the following reasons.

At 31 August 2021, the free reserves position was £198,258 (2020: £255,881) and the academy had cash reserves of £303,471 (2020: £318,524).

The trustees have prepared cash flow forecasts for a period in excess of 12 months from the date of their approval of these financial statements and considered the potential impact of the Covid-19 outbreak. The cash flow forecasts that the trustees have prepared are based on their current best estimates and are in line with the funding agreement in place with the Department for Education and show that the academy can maintain sufficient financial headroom for the foreseeable future.

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### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.3 Income

All income is recognised once the academy has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Grants are included in the statement of financial activities incorporating income and expenditure account on a receivable basis. The balance of income received for specific purposes but not expended during the period is shown in the relevant funds on the balance sheet. Where income is received in advance of entitlement of receipt, its recognition is deferred and included in creditors as deferred income. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, the income is accrued.

General Annual Grant is recognised in full in the statement of financial activities incorporating income and expenditure account in the year for which it is receivable and any abatement in respect of the period is deducted from income and recognised as a liability.

Capital grants are recognised when there is entitlement and are not deferred over the life of the asset on which they are expended. Unspent amounts of capital grant are reflected in the balance in the restricted fixed asset fund.

Donations are recognised on a receivable basis where receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

Income tax recoverable in relation to donations received under Gift Aid or deeds of covenant is recognised at the time of the donation.

Other income, including the hire of facilities, is recognised in the period in which it is receivable and to the extent the goods have been provided or on completion of the service.

#### 1.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Expenditure on charitable activities are costs incurred on the academy's educational operations, including support costs and those costs relating to the governance of the academy appointed to charitable activities.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

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### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.5 Tangible fixed assets

Assets costing £500 or more are capitalised as tangible fixed assets and are carried at cost, net of depreciation and any provision for impairment.

Where tangible fixed assets have been acquired with the aid of specific grants, either from the government or from the private sector, they are included in the balance sheet at cost and depreciated over their expected useful economic life. Where there are specific conditions attached to the funding requiring the continued use of the asset, the related grants are credited to a restricted fixed asset fund in the statement of financial activities and carried forward in the balance sheet. Depreciation on the relevant assets is charged directly to the restricted fixed asset fund in the statement of financial activities. Where tangible fixed assets have been acquired with unrestricted funds, depreciation on such assets is charged to the unrestricted fund.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets other than freehold land, at rates calculated to write off the cost of these assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful life on the following basis:

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Long-term leasehold property	- 50 years straight line
Furniture and equipment	- 7 years straight line
Computer equipment	- 3 years straight line

A review for impairment of a fixed asset is carried out if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of any fixed asset may not be recoverable. Shortfalls between the carrying value of fixed assets and their recoverable amounts are recognised as impairments. Impairment losses are recognised in the statement of financial activities.

#### 1.6 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

#### 1.7 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

#### 1.8 Liabilities

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably. Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the academy anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

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### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.9 Financial instruments

The academy only holds basic financial instruments as defined in FRS 102. The financial assets and financial liabilities of the academy and their measurement bases are as follows:

*Financial assets* - trade and other debtors are basic financial instruments and are debt instruments measured at amortised cost as detailed in note 13. Prepayments are not financial instruments.

Cash at bank is classified as a basic financial instrument and is measured at face value.

*Financial liabilities* - trade creditors, accruals and other creditors are financial instruments, and are measured at amortised cost as detailed in note 14. Taxation and social security are not included in the financial instruments disclosure definition. Deferred income is not deemed to be a financial liability, as the cash settlement has already taken place and there is an obligation to deliver services rather than cash or another financial instrument.

#### 1.10 Taxation

The academy is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes.

Accordingly, the academy is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Part 11, chapter 3 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.



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### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.11 Pensions

Retirement benefits to employees of the academy are provided by the Teachers' Pension Scheme ("TPS") and the Local Government Pension Scheme ("LGPS"). These are defined benefit schemes.

The TPS is an unfunded scheme and contributions are calculated so as to spread the cost of pensions over employees' working lives with the academy in such a way that the pension cost is a substantially level percentage of current and future pensionable payroll. The contributions are determined by the Government Actuary on the basis of quadrennial valuations using a prospective unit credit method. TPS is an unfunded multi-employer scheme with no underlying assets to assign between employers. Consequently, the TPS is treated as a defined contribution scheme for accounting purposes and the contributions recognised in the period to which they relate.

The LGPS is a funded multi-employer scheme and the assets are held separately from those of the academy in separate trustee administered funds. Pension scheme assets are measured at fair value and liabilities are measured on an actuarial basis using the projected unit credit method and discounted at a rate equivalent to the current rate of return on a high quality corporate bond of equivalent term and currency to the liabilities. The actuarial valuations are obtained at least triennially and are updated at each balance sheet date. The amounts charged to operating surplus are the current service costs and the costs of scheme introductions, benefit changes, settlements and curtailments. They are included as part of staff costs as incurred. Net interest on the net defined benefit liability/asset is also recognised in the statement of financial activities and comprises the interest cost on the defined benefit obligation and interest income on the scheme assets, calculated by multiplying the fair value of the scheme assets at the beginning of the period by the rate used to discount the benefit obligations. The difference between the interest income on the scheme assets and the actual return on the scheme assets is recognised in other recognised gains and losses.

Actuarial gains and losses are recognised immediately in other recognised gains and losses.

#### 1.12 Fund accounting

Unrestricted income funds represent those resources which may be used towards meeting any of the charitable objects of the academy at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted fixed asset funds are resources which are to be applied to specific capital purposes imposed by the funders where the asset acquired or created is held for a specific purpose.

Restricted general funds comprise all other restricted funds received with restrictions imposed by the funder/donor and include grants from the Department for Education Group.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

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### 2. Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgment

Estimates and judgments are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Critical accounting estimates and assumptions:

The academy makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates and assumptions will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

The present value of the Local Government Pension Scheme defined benefit liability depends on a number of factors that are determined on an actuarial basis using a variety of assumptions. The assumptions used in determining the net cost or income for pensions include the discount rate. Any changes in these assumptions, which are disclosed in note 21, will impact the carrying amount of the pension liability. Furthermore a roll forward approach which projects results from the latest full actuarial valuation performed at 31 March 2019 has been used by the actuary in valuing the pensions liability at 31 August 2021. Any differences between the figures derived from the roll forward approach and a full actuarial valuation would impact on the carrying amount of the pension liability.

### 3. Income from donations and capital grants

	Restricted funds 2021 £	Restricted fixed asset funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £
Capital grants	-	6,035	6,035
Grants	-	-	-
<b>Total 2021</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,035</b>	<b>6,035</b>

	Restricted funds 2020 £	Restricted fixed asset funds 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £
Capital grants	-	5,919	5,919
Grants	1,500	-	1,500
	1,500	5,919	7,419

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### 4. Funding for the academy's educational operations

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £
<b>DfE/ESFA grants</b>			
General Annual Grant (GAG)	-	655,301	<b>655,301</b>
Other DfE/ESFA grants			
UIFSM	-	36,014	<b>36,014</b>
Pupil Premium	-	88,985	<b>88,985</b>
Others	-	51,374	<b>51,374</b>
School standard fund	19,450	-	<b>19,450</b>
Local authority nursery funding	-	127,830	<b>127,830</b>
	<u>19,450</u>	<u>959,504</u>	<u><b>978,954</b></u>
	<u>19,450</u>	<u>959,504</u>	<u><b>978,954</b></u>
	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Restricted funds 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £
<b>DfE/ESFA grants</b>			
General Annual Grant	-	653,925	653,925
Other DfE/ESFA grants			
UIFSM	-	31,051	31,051
Pupil Premium	-	81,782	81,782
Other	-	37,637	37,637
School standard fund	12,367	-	12,367
Local authority nursery funding	-	211,636	211,636
Other local authority funding	-	874	874
	<u>12,367</u>	<u>1,016,905</u>	<u>1,029,272</u>
	<u>12,367</u>	<u>1,016,905</u>	<u>1,029,272</u>

Following the reclassification in the Academies Accounts Direction 2020/21 of some grants received from the Department of Education and ESFA, the academy's funding for Universal Infant Free School Meals and Pupil Premium is no longer reported under the Other DfE Group grants heading, but as separate lines under the Other DfE/ESFA grants heading. The prior year numbers have been reclassified.

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### 5. Investment income

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £
Bank interest	31	31
	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £
Bank interest	119	119

### 6. Expenditure

	Staff Costs 2021 £	Premises 2021 £	Other 2021 £	Total 2021 £
Educational activities:				
Direct costs	615,625	-	60,615	676,240
Support costs	104,050	100,529	220,339	424,918
<b>Total 2021</b>	<b>719,675</b>	<b>100,529</b>	<b>280,954</b>	<b>1,101,158</b>
	Staff Costs 2020 £	Premises 2020 £	Other 2020 £	Total 2020 £
Educational activities:				
Direct costs	584,631	-	34,073	618,704
Support costs	192,689	89,840	156,801	439,330
<b>Total 2020</b>	<b>777,320</b>	<b>89,840</b>	<b>190,874</b>	<b>1,058,034</b>

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### 7. Analysis of expenditure by activities

	Activities undertaken directly 2021 £	Support costs 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £
Educational operations	676,240	424,918	1,101,158

	Activities undertaken directly 2020 £	Support costs 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £
Educational operations	618,704	439,330	1,058,034

### Analysis of support costs

	2021 £	2020 £
Pension interest cost	10,000	7,000
Support staff costs	161,050	192,689
Depreciation	56,675	55,087
Technology costs	11,438	10,879
Premises costs	100,529	89,840
Legal costs	108	1,700
Other support costs	85,118	82,135
	424,918	439,330

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### 8. Net income/(expenditure)

Net income/(expenditure) for the year includes:

	2021 £	2020 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	56,189	55,087
Fees paid to auditor for:		
- audit	7,100	6,750
- other services	1,100	1,050
	<u>7,100</u>	<u>6,750</u>

### 9. Staff

#### a. Staff costs

Staff costs during the year were as follows:

	2021 £	2020 £
Wages and salaries	531,540	524,061
Social security costs	49,184	43,688
Pension costs	176,186	151,925
	<u>756,910</u>	<u>719,674</u>
Agency staff costs	19,765	57,646
	<u>776,675</u>	<u>777,320</u>

#### b. Staff numbers

The average number of persons employed by the academy during the year was as follows:

	2021 No.	2020 No.
Teaching staff	9	8
Administration and support staff	9	12
Management	1	1
	<u>19</u>	<u>21</u>

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### 9. Staff (continued)

#### b. Staff numbers (continued)

The average headcount expressed as full-time equivalents was:

	2021 No.	2020 No.
Teaching staff	9	7
Administration and support staff	8	10
Management	1	1
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	18	18
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#### c. Higher paid staff

The number of employees whose employee benefits (excluding employer pension costs) exceeded £60,000 was:

	2021 No.	2020 No.
In the band £60,001 - £70,000	1	1
In the band £70,001 - £80,000	1	1
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The above employees participate in the Teachers' Pension Scheme. During the year ended 31 August 2021 employer's pension contributions for these persons amounted to £33,751 (2020: £32,363).

#### d. Key management personnel

The key management personnel of the academy comprise the trustees and the senior management team as listed on page 1. The total amount of employee benefits (including employer pension contributions and employer national insurance contributions) received by key management personnel for their services to the academy was £240,041 (2020: £262,736).

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### 10. Governors' remuneration and expenses

One or more trustees has been paid remuneration or has received other benefits from an employment with the academy. The principal and other staff trustees only receive remuneration in respect of services they provide undertaking the roles of principal and staff members under their contracts of employment. The value of trustees' remuneration and other benefits was as follows:

		2021 £	2020 £
Mrs C Askwith, Principal	Remuneration	75,000 -	75,000 -
		80,000	80,000
	Pension contributions paid	15,000 -	15,000 -
Mrs H Winter, Deputy Principal		20,000	20,000
	Remuneration	60,000 -	60,000 -
		65,000	65,000
Ms J Watkins	Pension contributions paid	10,000 -	10,000 -
		15,000	15,000
	Remuneration	35,000 -	30,000 -
		40,000	35,000
	Pension contributions paid	5,000 -	5,000 -
		10,000	10,000

During the year ended 31 August 2021, no trustee expenses have been incurred (2020 - £NIL).

### 11. Governors' and Officers' insurance

In accordance with normal commercial practice, the academy has purchased insurance to protect trustees and officers from claims arising from negligent acts, errors or omissions occurring whilst on academy business. The insurance provides cover up to £10,000,000 on any one claim and the cost for the year ended 31 August 2021 was included within the academy's overall risk protection arrangements.

### 12. Tangible fixed assets

	Long-term leasehold property £	Furniture and equipment £	Computer equipment £	Total £
<b>Cost or valuation</b>				
At 1 September 2020	1,539,655	174,650	42,044	1,756,349
Additions	59,788	-	5,659	65,447
At 31 August 2021	1,599,443	174,650	47,703	1,821,796



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### 12. Tangible fixed assets (continued)

	Long-term leasehold property £	Furniture and equipment £	Computer equipment £	Total £
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1 September 2020	187,946	115,769	40,534	344,249
Charge for the year	30,893	22,942	2,840	56,675
At 31 August 2021	<u>218,839</u>	<u>138,711</u>	<u>43,374</u>	<u>400,924</u>
<b>Net book value</b>				
At 31 August 2021	<u>1,380,604</u>	<u>35,939</u>	<u>4,329</u>	<u>1,420,872</u>
At 31 August 2020	<u>1,351,709</u>	<u>58,881</u>	<u>1,510</u>	<u>1,412,100</u>

Included in land and buildings is leasehold land at valuation of £121,000 (2020: £121,000) which is not depreciated.

### 13. Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
<b>Due within one year</b>		
Other debtors	9,944	7,355
Prepayments and accrued income	24,626	26,961
	<u>34,570</u>	<u>34,316</u>

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### 14. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Trade creditors	43,146	42,916
Other taxation and social security	19,525	23,070
Accruals and deferred income	77,112	30,973
	<u>139,783</u>	<u>96,959</u>
	2021 £	2020 £
Deferred income at 1 September 2020	21,642	20,338
Resources deferred during the year	20,338	21,642
Amounts released from previous periods	(21,642)	(20,338)
	<u>20,338</u>	<u>21,642</u>

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### 15. Statement of funds

	Balance at 1 September 2020 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 August 2021 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>						
General funds	112,466	19,768	(15,853)	(59,412)	-	56,969
<b>Restricted general funds</b>						
Restricted general funds	143,415	959,504	(961,630)	-	-	141,289
Pension reserve	(617,000)	-	(67,000)	-	(8,000)	(692,000)
	<u>(473,585)</u>	<u>959,504</u>	<u>(1,028,630)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(8,000)</u>	<u>(550,711)</u>
<b>Restricted fixed asset funds</b>						
Restricted fixed asset fund	1,412,100	6,035	(56,675)	59,412	-	1,420,872
<b>Total Restricted funds</b>	<u>938,515</u>	<u>965,539</u>	<u>(1,085,305)</u>	<u>59,412</u>	<u>(8,000)</u>	<u>870,161</u>
<b>Total funds</b>	<u>1,050,981</u>	<u>985,307</u>	<u>(1,101,158)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(8,000)</u>	<u>927,130</u>

The specific purposes for which the funds are to be applied are as follows:

The restricted fixed asset fund represents the net book value of assets held, plus unspent capital grant received.

The restricted fund includes all remaining grant funds for the general running of the academy trust.

The pension reserve equates to the academy's share of the deficit on the Local Government Pension Scheme in which it participates.

Unrestricted funds are all other funds of the academy trust.

During the year a transfer has been made from the general restricted fund to the restricted fixed asset fund, representing capital additions not funded through direct capital grant.

Under the funding agreement with the Secretary of State, the academy was not subject to a limit on the amount of GAG it could carry forward at 31 August 2021.

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### 15. Statement of funds (continued)

Comparative information in respect of the preceding year is as follows:

	Balance at 1 September 2019 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 August 2020 £
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>						
General funds	102,309	12,993	(2,836)	-	-	112,466
<b>Restricted general funds</b>						
Restricted general funds	83,897	1,018,405	(950,111)	(8,776)	-	143,415
Pension reserve	(391,000)	-	(50,000)	-	(176,000)	(617,000)
	<u>(307,103)</u>	<u>1,018,405</u>	<u>(1,000,111)</u>	<u>(8,776)</u>	<u>(176,000)</u>	<u>(473,585)</u>
<b>Restricted fixed asset funds</b>						
Restricted fixed asset funds	1,452,492	5,919	(55,087)	8,776	-	1,412,100
<b>Total Restricted funds</b>	<u>1,145,389</u>	<u>1,024,324</u>	<u>(1,055,198)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(176,000)</u>	<u>938,515</u>
<b>Total funds</b>	<u><u>1,247,698</u></u>	<u><u>1,037,317</u></u>	<u><u>(1,058,034)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>(176,000)</u></u>	<u><u>1,050,981</u></u>

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### 16. Analysis of net assets between funds

#### Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Restricted fixed asset funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	1,420,872	1,420,872
Current assets	121,943	216,098	-	338,041
Creditors due within one year	(64,974)	(74,809)	-	(139,783)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	-	(692,000)	-	(692,000)
<b>Total</b>	<b>56,969</b>	<b>(550,711)</b>	<b>1,420,872</b>	<b>927,130</b>

#### Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Restricted funds 2020 £	Restricted fixed asset funds 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	1,412,100	1,412,100
Current assets	112,466	240,374	-	352,840
Creditors due within one year	-	(96,959)	-	(96,959)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	-	(617,000)	-	(617,000)
<b>Total</b>	<b>112,466</b>	<b>(473,585)</b>	<b>1,412,100</b>	<b>1,050,981</b>

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### 17. Reconciliation of net expenditure to net cash flow from operating activities

	2021 £	2020 £
Net expenditure for the year (as per statement of financial activities)	(115,851)	(20,717)
<b>Adjustments for:</b>		
Depreciation	56,675	55,087
Capital grants from DfE and other capital income	(6,035)	(5,919)
Interest receivable	31	119
Defined benefit pension scheme cost less contributions payable	67,000	50,000
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(254)	4,478
Increase in creditors	42,824	15,056
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>	<b>44,390</b>	<b>98,104</b>

### 18. Cash flows from investing activities

	2021 £	2020 £
Dividends, interest and rents from investments	(31)	(119)
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(65,447)	(14,695)
Capital grants from DfE	6,035	5,919
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>	<b>(59,443)</b>	<b>(8,895)</b>

### 19. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2021 £	2020 £
Cash in hand and at bank	303,471	318,524
<b>Total cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>303,471</b>	<b>318,524</b>

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### 20. Analysis of changes in net debt

	At 1 September 2020 £	Cash flows £	At 31 August 2021 £
Cash at bank and in hand	318,524	(15,053)	303,471
	<u>318,524</u>	<u>(15,053)</u>	<u>303,471</u>

### 21. Pension commitments

The academy's employees belong to two principal pension schemes: the Teachers' Pension Scheme England and Wales (TPS) for academic and related staff; and the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) for non-teaching staff, which is managed by the Tyne and Wear Pension Fund. Both are multi-employer defined benefit schemes.

The latest actuarial valuation of the TPS related to the period ended 31 March 2016 and of the LGPS 31 March 2019.

There were no outstanding or prepaid contributions at either the beginning or the end of the financial year.

#### Teachers' Pension Scheme

The Teachers' Pension Scheme (TPS) is a statutory, contributory, defined benefit scheme, governed by the Teachers' Pension Scheme Regulations 2014. Membership is automatic for full-time teachers in academies. All teachers have the option to opt-out of the TPS following enrolment.

The TPS is an unfunded scheme to which both the member and employer makes contributions, as a percentage of salary - these contributions are credited to the Exchequer. Retirement and other pension benefits are paid by public funds provided by Parliament.

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### 21. Pension commitments (continued)

#### Valuation of the Teachers' Pension Scheme

The Government Actuary, using normal actuarial principles, conducts a formal actuarial review of the TPS in accordance with the Public Service Pensions (Valuations and Employer Cost Cap) Directions 2014 published by HM Treasury every 4 years. The aim of the review is to specify the level of future contributions. Actuarial scheme valuations are dependent on assumptions about the value of future costs, design of benefits and many other factors. The latest actuarial valuation of the TPS was carried out as at 31 March 2016. The valuation report was published by the Department for Education on 5 March 2019. The key elements of the valuation and subsequent consultation are:

- employer contribution rates set at 23.68% of pensionable pay (including a 0.08% administration levy)
- total scheme liabilities (pensions currently in payment and the estimated cost of future benefits) for service to the effective date of £218,100 million and notional assets (estimated future contributions together with the notional investments held at the valuation date) of £196,100 million, giving a notional past service deficit of £22,000 million
- the SCAPE rate, set by HMT, is used to determine the notional investment return. The current SCAPE rate is 2.4% above the rate of CPI, assumed real rate of return is 2.4% in excess of prices and 2% in excess of earnings. The rate of real earnings growth is assumed to be 2.2%. The assumed nominal rate of return including earnings growth is 4.45%.

The next valuation result is due to be implemented from 1 April 2023.

The employer's pension costs paid to TPS in the year amounted to £86,130 (2020 - £75,338).

A copy of the valuation report and supporting documentation is on the Teachers' Pensions website (<https://www.teacherspensions.co.uk/news/employers/2019/04/teachers-pensions-valuation-report.aspx>).

Under the definitions set out in FRS 102, the TPS is an unfunded multi-employer pension scheme. The academy has accounted for its contributions to the scheme as if it were a defined contribution scheme. The academy has set out above the information available on the scheme.

#### Local Government Pension Scheme

The LGPS is a funded defined benefit pension scheme, with the assets held in separate trustee-administered funds. The total contribution made for the year ended 31 August 2021 was £44,000 (2020 - £41,000), of which employer's contributions totalled £33,000 (2020 - £31,000) and employees' contributions totalled £ 11,000 (2020 - £10,000). The agreed contribution rates for future years are 15.5 per cent for employers and 5.8 per cent for employees.

As described in note the LGPS obligation relates to the employees of the academy, who were the employees transferred as part of the conversion from the maintained school and new employees who were eligible to, and did, join the Scheme in the year. The obligation in respect of employees who transferred on conversion represents their cumulative service at both the predecessor school and the academy at the balance sheet date.

Parliament has agreed, at the request of the Secretary of State for Education, to a guarantee that, in the event of academy closure, outstanding Local Government Pension Scheme liabilities would be met by the Department for Education. The guarantee came into force on 18 July 2013.



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### 21. Pension commitments (continued)

#### Principal actuarial assumptions

	2021 %	2020 %
Rate of increase in salaries	4.1	3.70
Rate of increase for pensions in payment/inflation	2.6	2.20
Discount rate for scheme liabilities	1.7	1.70
Inflation assumption (CPI)	2.6	2.20

The current mortality assumptions include sufficient allowance for future improvements in mortality rates. The assumed life expectations on retirement age 65 are:

	2021 Years	2020 Years
Retiring today		
Males	21.9	21.8
Females	25.1	25.0
Retiring in 20 years		
Males	23.6	23.5
Females	26.9	26.8

#### Sensitivity analysis

	2021 £000	2020 £000
Discount rate +0.1%	1,720	1,453
Discount rate -0.1%	1,812	1,531
Mortality assumption - 1 year increase	1,701	1,440
Mortality assumption - 1 year decrease	1,833	1,546
CPI rate +0.1%	1,801	1,501
CPI rate -0.1%	1,731	1,483

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### 21. Pension commitments (continued)

#### Share of scheme assets

The academy's share of the assets in the scheme was:

	2021 £	2020 £
Equities	596,000	469,000
Corporate bonds	216,000	200,000
Property	86,000	80,000
Cash and other liquid assets	43,000	17,000
Other	110,000	88,000
Government bonds	23,000	21,000
<b>Total market value of assets</b>	<b>1,074,000</b>	<b>875,000</b>

The actual return on scheme assets was £168,000 (2020 - £5,000).

The amounts recognised in the Statement of financial activities are as follows:

	2021 £	2020 £
Current service cost	(90,000)	(74,000)
Interest income	15,000	16,000
Interest cost	(25,000)	(23,000)
<b>Total amount recognised in the Statement of financial activities</b>	<b>(100,000)</b>	<b>(81,000)</b>

Changes in the present value of the defined benefit obligations were as follows:

	2021 £	2020 £
<b>At 1 September</b>	<b>1,492,000</b>	<b>1,224,000</b>
Current service cost	90,000	74,000
Interest cost	25,000	23,000
Employee contributions	11,000	10,000
Actuarial losses	161,000	165,000
Benefits paid	(13,000)	(4,000)
<b>At 31 August</b>	<b>1,766,000</b>	<b>1,492,000</b>

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### 21. Pension commitments (continued)

Changes in the fair value of the academy's share of scheme assets were as follows:

	2021 £	2020 £
<b>At 1 September</b>	<b>875,000</b>	833,000
Interest income	15,000	16,000
Actuarial gains/(losses)	153,000	(11,000)
Employer contributions	33,000	31,000
Employee contributions	11,000	10,000
Benefits paid	(13,000)	(4,000)
<b>At 31 August</b>	<b>1,074,000</b>	875,000

### 22. Members' liability

Each member of the charitable company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company in the event of it being wound up while he/she is a member, or within one year after he/she ceases to be a member, such amount as may be required, not exceeding £1 for the debts and liabilities contracted before he/she ceases to be a member.

### 23. Related party transactions

Owing to the nature of the academy and the composition of the board of trustees being drawn from local public and private sector organisations, transactions may take place with organisations in which the trustees have an interest. All transactions involving such organisations are conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Academies Financial Handbook, including notifying the ESFA of all transactions made on or after 1 April 2019 and obtaining their approval where required, and with the academy's financial regulations and normal procurement procedures relating to connected and related party transactions.

Other than governors' remuneration disclosed in note 10, there were no other related party transactions in either period.

