Registered number: 07992372 (England and Wales)

### **REDMOOR ACADEMY**

(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

# ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

### (A Company Limited by Guarantee)

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# REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

#### **Members**

Joanne Hudson Chris Kealey (MBE) John Shilladay

#### **Trustees**

Joanne Hudson
Chris Kealey (MBE) (Chair of Trustees)
John Shilladay
Mary Stanhope (Staff Trustee, Resigned 12 November 2018)
John Duggins (Staff Trustee)
Jackie Harrington (Resigned 05 September 2018)
Matthew Nicolle (Principal and Accounting Officer)
Tanya Hutchinson
Hugh Clayden
Samantha Allison (Appointed 12 December 2018)
Julie Walton (Appointed 12 December 2018)
Matthew Hayward (Appointed 12 December 2018)
Richard Chattaway (Appointed 12 December 2018)
Angela Woodward (Staff Trustee) (Appointed 27 March 2019)
Henry Earp (Resigned 6 September 2018)

#### **Senior Leadership Team**

Matthew Nicolle – Principal Lynsey O'Keeffe – Assistant Vice Principal Lisa Hickman – Assistant Vice Principal Paul Kimber – Assistant Vice Principal Kathryn Groocock – Assistant Vice Principal Jane Sulley – Business Manager

#### **Company Name**

Redmoor Academy

#### **Principal and Registered Office**

Redmoor Academy Wykin Road Hinckley Leicestershire LE10 0EP

### **Company Registered Number**

07992372 (England and Wales)

# REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

### **Independent Auditor**

MHA MacIntyre Hudson 11 Merus Court Meridian Business Park Leicester LE19 1RJ

### **Bankers**

Royal Bank of Scotland Plc, Leicester Market Street Branch, 5 Market Street, Leicester, LE10 6DN

#### **Solicitors**

Browne Jacobson LLP, Castle Meadow Road, Nottingham, NG2 1BJ

### TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

The Trustees present their Annual Report together with the financial statements and Auditor's Report of the charitable company for the year 1 September 2018 to 31 August 2019. The Annual Report serves the purposes of both a Trustees' Report, and a Directors' Report under company law.

The Academy Trust operates an Academy for pupils aged 11 to 16 serving a catchment area in Hinckley Leicestershire. It has a pupil capacity of 925 and had a roll of 918 in the school census on 1 October 2019.

#### STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

#### Constitution

The Academy Trust is a company limited by guarantee and an exempt charity. The charitable company's Memorandum and Articles of Association are the primary governing documents of the Academy Trust. The Trustees of Redmoor Academy are also the Directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law. The charitable company operates as Redmoor Academy.

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

#### 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 £10, for the debts and liabilities contracted before they ceased to be a member.

#### Trustees' Indemnities

Trustees' benefit from indemnity insurance to cover the liability of the Trustees which by virtue of any rule of law would otherwise attach to them in respect of any negligence, default or breach of trust or breach of duty of which they may be guilty in relation to the Academy Trust. This insurance covers up to the amount of  $\mathfrak{L}3,000,000$ . The cost of this insurance in the year was  $\mathfrak{L}761$  (2018 -  $\mathfrak{L}776$ ).

#### Method of Recruitment and Appointment or Election of Trustees

Recruitment of Trustees is outlined in the Memorandum and Articles of Association. The Members may appoint up to 4 (four) Trustees. The Trustees may co-opt up to 4 (four) Trustees. The appointment of staff Trustees up to 3 (three) is via a process of a staff ballot. Appointment of Parent Trustees 5 (up to five) is made via parent ballot. The School's Principal is a Trustee by right.

#### Policies and Procedures Adopted for the Induction and Training of Trustees

Trustee training is through a menu of extensive specialised training available via the Leicestershire County Council's 'Governor Development Services' which the Trust buy into on an annual basis. They include training courses tailored specifically for new Trustees. The Academy has also produced a comprehensive 'Trustees' Induction Handbook'. In order to understand their rolesm, meetings with the Chair of Trustees and the Principal are a requirement for all new Trustees, and if required, meetings are on offer to meet the Business Manager. New Trustees also benefit from an internal "buddy" procedure.

# TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

#### **Organisational Structure**

The Trustees have a responsibility to produce an Annual Report to the Auditor and to recommend to the Full Board of Trustees the allocation of the annual budget received from the Education and Skills Funding Agency. The Trustees' role is to robustly hold senior leaders to account for all aspects of the Academy's performance.

The Principal and the Senior Leadership Team are responsible for providing effective leadership and efficient & effective management of the Academy. To work within budget having regard to the Academy Development Plan.

The Trust's Accounting Officer is Matthew Nicolle – Principal

The structure is made up of:

- 1. Three Trust Members who are also members of the Full Board of Trustees;
- 2. The Full Board of Trustees: and
- 3. A committee structure consisting of:

#### 3a Finance and General Purposes Committee

Remit includes Finance, Personnel, Risk Management, Internal Scrutiny and Health & Safety. Membership is comprised of self-selecting Trustees. The committee meets four times per year or, more frequently as required and report to appropriate committee and/or Full Board of Trustees.

#### 3b School Standard Committees

Remit includes progress of students (including Pupil Premium and SEND), behaviour & safety, safeguarding, curriculum provision and teaching and learning. Membership comprised of self-selecting Trustees. The committee meets four times per year or, more frequently as required and report to appropriate committee and/or Full Board of Trustees.

#### 3c Principal's Annual Performance Review Panel

Membership comprised of three Trustees selected by Trust Members plus an external advisor. Recommendations are made to Finance and General Purposes Committee.

### 3d Pay and Conditions Committee

Membership comprised of three Trustees selected by Trust Members plus the Principal. Meets when recommendations from the Principal regarding pay need to be considered and recommendations made by this committee need to be ratified by all Trustees. Pay recommendations follow a robust and successful performance management process. Senior Leadership Team members (Key Management Personnel) are performance managed by the Principal and recommendations are based on this.

### TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

#### Other standing committees

# 3e Staff Dismissal, Staff Dismissal Appeals, Exclusions, Exclusion Appeals, Complaints, Senior Staff Appointment

Membership comprised of Trustees but not Staff Trustees and Trustees previously involved with the individual case, they will meet as required.

### Other identified Roles for governors

- SEND Trustee;
- Trustee Training Trustee;
- Safeguarding Trustee;
- Careers Trustee: and
- Pupil Premium Trustee.

Where applicable all the committees are subject to annually agreed 'Terms of Reference' or relevant policy/procedure documents.

#### Trade union facility time

One employee was a relevant union official during the year 1 September 2018 to 31 August 2019. No time has been spent on facility time and therefore there were no cost implications to the Academy Trust.

### **Related Parties and other Connected Charities and Organisations**

The Academy is a single school Academy Trust. The Academy continues to work closely with the local family of schools including Primary and Secondary schools. The school is a strategic partner of the Thomas Estley Teaching School Alliance (TELA) and receives school to school support (Computing & ICT) and delivers National Professional Qualifications. The school benefits from the support of Groby Community College (National Support School) in specific areas of improvement (Maths and Pupil Premium).

#### **OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

#### **Objectives and Aims**

Redmoor Academy promotes high achievement and learning for life. We want all students in the Academy to:

- Make excellent academic progress and achieve the best possible outcomes enabling them to have control over Post 16 destinations and beyond;
- benefit from outstanding experiences and opportunities outside the classroom, building confidence, resilience, independence and leadership skills; and
- become "good people" who can play a positive role within the community.

### **Objectives, Strategies and Activities**

Our overarching priority for improvement in 2018-19 remains to raise the achievement of all students and ensure GCSE outcomes continue to improve, specifically for:

- Most able students:
- SEND students;
- Disadvantaged students; and
- Underachieving boys.

### TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

To drive the achievement of this priority, we will focus on the following objectives:

- 1. To improve the quality and consistency of teaching and learning with a specific focus on;
  - a) Increased challenge for all abilities (incl. more extended writing opportunities);
  - b) Developing a coaching culture;
  - c) Ensuring CPD is more personalised and targeted to individual needs;
  - d) Ensuring our QA processes are rigorous and accurate; and
  - e) Developing effective feedback strategies.
- 2. Implementing a new KS3 curriculum, assessment and reporting model;
- 3. To develop further consistency in applying reformed behaviour standards to reduce instances of low level disruptive behaviour and reduce fixed term exclusions;
- 4. To develop leadership at all levels, ensuring all leaders have greater accountability and impact on student progress;
- 5. To develop a culture of raised aspirations for students and their families;
- 6. To improve parental engagement with our school.

Successful achievement of these objectives is measured, amongst other things, by GCSE outcomes in August 2019. The whole school progress 8 measure increased from +0.01 to +0.03, with specific areas of significant improvement including Low Prior Attaining students (Progress 8 increase of 1.27 over two years) and disadvantaged students (increase in Progress 8 of 1.07). Other outcome measures alongside less quantitative measures, support results in indicating the effectiveness of the strategic improvements led in this year.

#### **Public Benefit**

In setting objectives, the Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and in particular to the supplementary public benefit guidance on advancing education.

#### STRATEGIC REPORT

### **Achievements and Performance**

The Academy Trust is responsible for the achievements and performance of Redmoor Academy. With the Senior Leadership Team, the Trustees determine the strategic vision and ethos of the school. They hold the school to account – challenging and monitoring performance particularly the achievement of students, the quality of teaching, behaviour and safety, quality of leadership and management and ensuring financial probity and acting as a responsible employer.

Redmoor is an 11-16 Academy serving a very diverse catchment area. The Academy has experienced a significant period of change at the end of the 2017 academic year, with the retirement of 50% (2 members) of the Senior Leadership Team and the resignation of a third. The Trust acted decisively to engage the services of the Acting Principal on a permanent basis after significant impact was evident in the first year.

Student outcomes for the academic year 2018-19 sustained the significantly improved Progress 8, moving from -0.78 in 2017 to +0.01 in 2018 and +0.03 in 2019. Attendance of students is slightly above national averages and exclusion rates remain below national averages.

### TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

#### **Key Performance Indicators**

For the period of this report, the Ofsted outcome for Redmoor Academy has continued to be Requires Improvement following a Section 5 inspection in November 2017. This was based on the GCSE outcomes from the previous academic year and recognised the changes already in place at this point and the capacity of the then Acting Principal and the Senior Leadership Team to drive rapid improvements. This view was justified and evidenced by GCSE outcomes for 2018 and 2019 (see previous page). Results demonstrate that Redmoor is performing slightly above other "good" schools nationally.

Attendance of students is slightly above national averages and exclusion rates remain below national averages.

Student recruitment remains very positive with Redmoor massively oversubscribed again for the academic year 2018-19 and early figures suggest this will be the same for 2019-20.

Further site development took place in 2018-19, replacing 4 temporary classrooms with a permanent structure, refurbishing student washroom facilities and improved Fire Safety works. This was partially funded through the allocation of Section 106 monies (4 classroom block), partially from within our annual budget (4 classroom block and student washrooms) and CIF funding (Fire Safety).

Financial reports and budget updates and projections presented to the Finance Committee have shown that the Academy has continued to stay within its budget and a carry forward figure was achieved.

#### **Going Concern**

After making appropriate enquiries, the Board of Trustees has a reasonable expectation that the Academy Trust has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason it continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the Statement of Accounting Policies.

#### **FINANCIAL REVIEW**

At 31 August 2019 the total funds comprised:

Unrestricted		183,000
Restricted:	Fixed asset funds	7,391,000
	Pension reserve	(1,921,000)
	GAG	209,000
		5,862,000

The deficit on the pension reserve relates to the non-teaching staff pension scheme where, unlike the teachers scheme, separate assets are held to fund future liabilities. The deficit can be met in the longer term from any combination of increased employer or employee contributions, increased government funding or changes to scheme benefits.

During the year there was a surplus of £62,000 which is before any actuarial gains/(losses) on the pension scheme.

### TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

The restricted funds will be spent in accordance with the terms of the particular funds. Unrestricted funds are for use on the general purposes of the Academy, at the discretion of the Trustees, and represent less than one month's worth of Academy expenditure. The aim of the Trustees is to increase this reserve to protect against future unforeseen events.

Our funding is sourced from the ESFA and as such is spent to achieve our one main objective: to provide an excellent education for our students.

#### **Reserves Policy**

The policy of the Academy is to carry forward where possible a prudent level of resources designed to meet the long-term cyclical needs of renewal and any other foreseen circumstances, subject to the constraint that the level of resources does not exceed the level permitted by the Education and Skills Funding Agency. The Academy believes that it should aim to establish a prudent level of free reserves of around 5% of its normal annual income as a minimum, which we currently have.

#### **Investment Policy**

To mitigate against the underfunding year on year due to increased numbers Trustees have adopted a policy that the Academy would not consider investments at this stage but retain a contingency to take us through uncharted waters.

### **Principal Risks and Uncertainties**

The principal risks facing the Academy are addressed in the Business Continuity Plan and include:

- Strategic and Reputational risks:
- Operational risks;
- Compliance risks; and
- Financial risks.

Control measures are in place to manage and identify risks, the key risks being that of reduced pupil numbers, that would affect the level of ESFA funding and potential future Government cuts. Active promotion of the Academy is robustly maintained and through regular reports to the Finance and General Purpose Committee the budget is monitored carefully over a 3 year projected period to manage any reduction in funding.

The principal risks facing the Academy are:

Reputational risk – The principal reputational risks are adverse publicity about the Academy caused by
a failure of members of the school to follow established policy, procedures or practice. The risk is
mitigated through a robust adherence to and monitoring of the academies policies, procedures and
practices. In addition, the Academy proactively nurtures good relationships with all stakeholders,
including parents and the local community.

### TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

- Performance risk The principal performance risks are that the students do not meet government floor standards in public examinations or that the school doesn't achieve a "Good" grading or better by Ofsted. These circumstances impacted upon the school in the academic year 2017-18. Swift action by the Trust to recruit experienced Senior Leaders mitigated against the negative impact this could have had and the school successfully navigated itself through this risk (see GCSE results 2018 and 2019). Further monitoring and support, in addition to Ofsted in November 2017, was through an Education Advisor inspector from the Regional Schools Commissioner and the Leicestershire RSC advisor, who both recognised the improvements in place and the capacity of the leadership team to drive these through. The risk of this happening again to such an extent is mitigated through the robust monitoring of student performance, tracking of student achievement and staff performance, through Performance Management, the production of an accurate and up-to-date SEF and Improvement Plans. Identified actual or potential underperformance will result in swift and appropriate action planning to correct the situation. An updated Ofsted judgement is expected during the 2019-20 academic year.
- Financial Risk The principal financial risks are a reduction in pupil numbers, reduction in central Government funding, unbudgeted increase in teaching or support staff costs, or unbudgeted major capital repairs. The financial risks are mitigated by establishing high demand for places at the Academy, sound financial planning based on accurate information from central Government. Increasing income streams by trading expertise locally and nationally and a planned and costed programme of building refurbishment. Insurance against loss options are considered and adopted as appropriate.
- Risks associated with personnel The risks associated with personnel are long term absences, the
  failure to recruit or retain staff and staff unable to undertake responsibilities to the required standard.
  The personnel risks are mitigated by strict adherence to all HR policies, practice and procedures, a
  focus on succession planning, high quality induction programmes and high quality appraisal processes
  and CPD.

The Academy Trust practices through its Board, namely the Board of Trustees and the constituted sub-committees, risk management principles. Any major risks highlighted at any sub-committee are brought to the main Board with proposed mitigating actions and they continue to be reported until the risk is adequately mitigated.

The Board of Trustees accepts managed risk as an inevitable part of its operations but maintains an objective not to run unacceptable levels of risk in any area. The subjective nature of this process requires major risks to be resolved by the Board of Trustees collectively, whilst more minor risks are dealt with by the Senior Leadership Team.

#### **FUNDRAISING**

The Academy Trust does not use any external fundraisers. All fundraising undertaken during the year was monitored by the Trustees.

Redmoor Academy conducted fundraising for the following charities:

Macmillan Coffee Morning - £1,319

Children in Need - £937

Save the Children - £398

Leicester LGBT Centre - £398

### TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

#### **PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS**

The Academy has recently undergone a major age range change and subsequent size increase. As a result, further site improvements and developments will be required and will be strategically planned by both the Principal and the Trustees. Whilst there are no immediate plans to expand any further, the Principal is aware of housing developments in the local area and will work with the local authority to ensure the Academy Trust can meet the needs of the community it serves. The Academy is currently massively and consistently over subscribed with double the number of applicants than places. However, further expansion would require significant capital investment to increase general teaching spaces, specialist teaching areas (specifically PE, Music and Science) and social spaces.

Maintaining the current student numbers is critical but is currently perceived as low risk and therefore continued improvement in student provision and outcomes remains the focus. The Academy currently has double the Leicestershire average of students with an Educational Health Care Plan (EHCP) which places additional financial and educational strain on the Academy.

#### FUNDS HELD AS CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE ON BEHALF OF OTHERS

There are no funds held by the Academy on behalf of others.

#### **AUDITOR**

In so far as the Trustees are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditor is unaware; and
- the Trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information.

The reappointment of auditors will be considered at the first Finance and General Purposes Committee of the spring term 2020.

Trustees' Report, incorporating a Strategic Report, was approved by order of the Board of Trustees, as the company directors, on 11 December 2019 and signed on the Board's behalf by:

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#### GOVERNANCE STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

#### **SCOPE OF RESPONSIBILITY**

As Trustees we acknowledge we have overall responsibility for ensuring that Redmoor Academy 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 with 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 Redmoor Academy 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 thirteen 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
Chris Kealey (MBE) (Chair of Trustees)	12	13
Joanne Hudson	8	13
John Shilladay	13	13
Matthew Nicolle (Principal and Accounting Officer)	13	13
Tanya Hutchinson	10	13
John Duggins	11	13
Mary Stanhope (Resigned 12 November 2018)	5	13
Hugh Clayden	9	12
Richard Chattaway (Appointed 12 December 2018)	5	6
Matthew Hayward (Appointed 12 December 2018)	3	6
Samantha Allison (Appointed 12 December 2018)	5	6
Julie Walton (Appointed 12 December 2018)	6	6
Jackie Harrington (Resigned 5 September 2018)	0	0
Angela Woodward (Appointed 27 March 2019)	1	1
Henry Earp (Resigned 6 September 2018)	0	0

There have been 3 resignations from the Trustees, two at the start of the academic year 2018-19 (Jackie Harrington and Henry Earp) and one mid-year (Mary Stanhope).

There have been 5 additions to the Trustees, 4 appointed in December for a January start (Matthew Hayward, Richard Chattaway, Samantha Allison, Julie Walton) and 1 appointed in March 2019 as a replacement staff Trustee (Angela Woodward). The expansion in the number of Trustees reflects the growing size of the Academy and a desire to widen the scope and range of experience within the Trustees. The new appointments have enabled more effective sharing of roles and responsibilities (e.g. careers and pupil premium).

The 5<sup>th</sup> new appointment was a replacement Staff Trustee (Angela Woodward).

#### GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

The Trustees determine the strategic vision and ethos of the school. They hold the Academy to account – challenging and monitoring performance particularly the achievement of students, the quality of teaching, behaviour and safety, quality of leadership and management and ensuring financial probity and acting as a responsible employer. After an especially challenging 2017-18, coping with significant changes to the composition of the Trustees, changes to the leadership of the school and improving on significant underperformance of the previous academic year, it has been important that the Trustees not only stabilised but also built on the impact of 2017-18. This is evident in how self-evaluation led to a desire to expand the breadth of experience within the Trustee team and subsequent new appointments.

In this respect, both the Trustees and the Senior Leadership Team have stabilised and together, have over seen the sustained improvement in the performance of the school.

Data used by the Board includes;

- student progress data;
- other student data (attendance, behaviour and exclusions etc.); and
- financial information.

The Principal has ensured that the quality of data provided to the Board is consistent in its format, accurate and relevant, allowing the Board to be fully informed and hold leaders to account.

#### **Governance Review**

The Trustees use Governor Development services to ensure that all training requirements for Trustees is met. Each Trustee has a Trustee Training Record. Each term our Trustee Training Trustee shares relevant information, this highlights current issues and offers the relevant training. The Trustees are also members of the Leicestershire Academies Group and The National Governors Association.

External evaluation in 2017-18 was carried out as part of the Ofsted inspection in November 2017 and the subsequent monitoring visit by an education advisor of the Regional Schools Commissioner (February 2018). Both reports recognised the improvements made to ensure Trustees acted with more rigour to ensure they have a better understanding of their responsibilities and as such, knowledge of the strengths of the school and the areas for development. Minutes of meetings demonstrate the rigour and challenge with which Trustees hold leaders to account. The impact of improved governance is evidenced by improved GCSE outcomes in 2018 and 2019. At least once a year, the Board engage in a self-evaluation exercise to recognise strength and areas for development.

The Finance and General Purposes Committee is a sub-committee of the main Board of Trustees (meeting four time per academic year) and its purpose is to review and challenge decision made with regard to; Finance, Internal Scrutiny, Personnel, Risk Management and Health & Safety.

#### GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

Attendance at meetings in the year was as follows:

Trustee	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
Chris Kealey (MBE) (Chair of Trustees)	4	4
Matthew Nicolle (Principal and Accounting Officer)	4	4
John Duggins	3	4
Joanne Hudson	3	4
Tanya Hutchinson	4	4
John Shilladay	4	4
Matthew Hayward (Appointed 12 December 2018)	1	2
Richard Chattaway (Appointed 12 December 2018)	1	2
Hugh Clayden	2	4
Samantha Allison (Appointed 12 December 2018)	1	2
Julie Walton (Appointed 12 December 2018)	2	2
Mary Stanhope (Resigned 12 November 2018)	1	4

#### **REVIEW OF VALUE FOR MONEY**

As Accounting Officer, the Principal has responsibility for ensuring that the Academy Trust 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 Trust'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 Trust has delivered improved value for money during the year by:

- restructure of the Finance team and recruitment of HR manager, enabling the Business Manager to have more strategic capacity;
- Development of the Key Stage 3 curriculum structure to provide a more appropriate and challenging educational provision also enabled a more efficient staffing structure for 2018-19, whilst still delivering a broad and balanced curriculum to meet the needs of all students;
- Staffing capacity in key areas (Maths, English, Science, MFL, Geography and History) has been created
  to increase provision and future proof expected growth in developing a more academic curriculum offer
  (Ebacc);
- use of section 106 funding to install a permanent 4 classroom block, replacing temporary accommodation, saving the annual lease fees;
- reducing over staffing through natural wastage;
- using surplus staffing to provide cover for unexpected staff absence and therefore significantly reducing supply costs; and
- Increasing staffing in premises team to enable more site development work to be completed in-house and subsequently reduce costs significantly.

#### GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

#### 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 on-going process designed to identify and prioritise the risks to the achievement of Academy Trust 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 Redmoor Academy for the year 1 September 2018 to 31 August 2019 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 Trust 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 on-going process for identifying, evaluating and managing the Academy Trust's significant risks that has been in place for the year 1 September 2018 to 31 August 2019 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 Trust'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 General Purposes 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
- identification and management of risks.

The Board of Trustees has considered the need for a specific internal audit function and has decided to appoint Leicestershire County Council (LCC) as internal auditors.

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

- · testing of payroll systems;
- testing of purchase systems;
- testing of control bank account reconciliations;
- checking of relevant policies;
- testing of HR systems;
- testing of register of business and pecuniary interest; and
- testing of risk management procedures.

# GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

On an annual basis, the auditor reports to the Board of Trustees, through the Finance and General Purposes Committee on the operation of the systems of control and on the discharge of the Board of Trustees' financial responsibilities.

#### **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 auditor;
- the work of the external auditor;
- the financial management reports and governance self-assessment process; and
- the work of the executive managers within the Academy Trust 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 General Purposes Committee and a plan to address weaknesses and ensure continuous improvement of the system is in place.

Approved by order of the members of the Board of Trustees on 11 December 2019 and signed on its behalf by:

Chris Kealey (MBE)	Matthew Nicolle
Chair of Trustees	Accounting Officer

#### STATEMENT ON REGULARITY, PROPRIETY AND COMPLIANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

As Accounting Officer of Redmoor Academy I have considered my responsibility to notify the Academy Trust Board of Trustees and the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) of material irregularity, impropriety and non-compliance with terms and conditions of funding received by the Academy Trust, under the funding agreement in place between the Academy Trust 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 2018.

I confirm that I and the Academy Trust Board of Trustees are able to identify any material irregular or improper use of all funds by the Academy Trust, or material non-compliance with the terms and conditions of funding under the Academy Trust's funding agreement and the Academies Financial Handbook 2018.

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.

Matthew Nicolle
Accounting Officer

11 December 2019

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# STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

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 & 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 year. 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 2015 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2018 to 2019;
- 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 and signed on its behalf by:

Date: 11 December 2019

Chris Kealey (MBE) Trustee	<b>Matthew Nicolle</b> Trustee

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### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF REDMOOR ACADEMY

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Redmoor Academy (the 'Academy') for the year ended 31 August 2019 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities (Incorporating Income and Expenditure Account), 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 2015 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2018 to 2019 issued by the Education & 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 2019 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 2015 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2018 to 2019 issued by the Education & 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

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the Trustees have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may
  cast significant doubt about the Academy's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of
  accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are
  authorised for issue.

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF REDMOOR ACADEMY (CONTINUED)

#### Other information

The Trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our Auditor's Report thereon. Other information includes the Reference and Administrative Details, the Trustees' Report including the Strategic Report, and the Governance statement, the Statement on Regularity, Propriety and Compliance and the Trustees Responsibilities Statement. 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.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, 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 audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. 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; and.
- 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.

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF REDMOOR ACADEMY (CONTINUED)

#### **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.

### 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.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <a href="https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities">www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities</a>. This description forms part of our Auditor's Report.

### 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.

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF REDMOOR ACADEMY (CONTINUED)

### Helen Blundell LLB FCA FCIE DChA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of MHA MacIntyre Hudson

Chartered Accountants Statutory Auditors

11 Merus Court Meridian Business Park Leicester LE19 1RJ

Date: 19 December 2019

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### INDEPENDENT REPORTING ACCOUNTANT'S ASSURANCE REPORT ON REGULARITY TO REDMOOR ACADEMY AND THE EDUCATION & SKILLS FUNDING AGENCY

In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 24 September 2019 and further to the requirements of the Education & Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) as included in the Academies Accounts Direction 2018 to 2019, we have carried out an engagement to obtain limited assurance about whether the expenditure disbursed and income received by Redmoor Academy during the year 1 September 2018 to 31 August 2019 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 Redmoor Academy and the ESFA in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to Redmoor Academy 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 Redmoor Academy and ESFA, for our work, for this report, or for the conclusion we have formed.

### Respective responsibilities of Redmoor Academy's Accounting Officer and the Reporting Accountant

The Accounting Officer is responsible, under the requirements of Redmoor Academy's funding agreement with the Secretary of State for Education dated 30 May 2012 and the Academies Financial Handbook, extant from 1 September 2018, 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 2018 to 2019. 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 2018 to 31 August 2019 have not been applied to purposes intended by Parliament or that the financial transactions do not conform to the authorities which govern them.

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# INDEPENDENT REPORTING ACCOUNTANT'S ASSURANCE REPORT ON REGULARITY TO REDMOOR ACADEMY AND THE EDUCATION & SKILLS FUNDING AGENCY (CONTINUED)

#### **Approach**

We conducted our engagement in accordance with the Academies Accounts Direction 2018 to 2019 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 draw to our conclusion includes:

- reviewing the Minutes of the meetings of the Board of Trustees and other evidence made available to us, relevant to our consideration of regularity;
- a review of the objectives and activities of the Academy, with reference to the income streams and other information available to us as auditors of the Academy;
- testing of a sample of payroll payments to staff;
- testing of a sample of payments to suppliers and other third parties;
- consideration of governance issues; and
- evaluating the internal control procedures and reporting lines, testing as appropriate and making appropriate enquiries of the Accounting Officer.

#### 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 2018 to 31 August 2019 has not been applied to purposes intended by Parliament and the financial transactions do not conform to the authorities which govern them.

Reporting Accountant

#### **MHA MacIntvre Hudson**

Chartered Accountants Statutory Auditors

11 Merus Court Meridian Business Park Leicester LE19 1RJ

Date: 19 December 2019

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# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

		Unrestricted funds 2019	Restricted funds 2019	Restricted fixed asset funds 2019	Total funds 2019	Total funds 2018
	Note	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Income from:						
Donations and capital grants	3	-	4	257	261	377
Charitable activities	4	-	4,774	66	4,840	4,487
Other trading activities	5	185	-	-	185	227
Investments	6	2	-	-	2	-
Total income		187	4,778	323	5,288	5,091
Expenditure on:	•	4==			4==	400
Raising funds	8	157	-	-	157	199
Charitable activities		-	4,901	168	5,069	4,935
Total expenditure		157	4,901	168	5,226	5,134
Net income/(expenditure)		30	(123)	155	62	(43)
Transfers between funds	19		(58)	58	-	-
Net movement in funds before other recognised gains/(losses)	)	30	(181)	213	62	(43)
Other recognised gains/(losses):						
Actuarial (losses)/gains on defined benefit pension schemes	25	-	(662)	-	(662)	406
Net movement in funds		30	(843)	213	(600)	363

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# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT) (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

		Unrestricted funds 2019	Restricted funds 2019	Restricted fixed asset funds 2019	Total funds 2019	Total funds 2018
	Note	£000	£000	£000	£000	£000
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward		153	(869)	7,178	6,462	6,099
Net movement in funds		30	(843)	213	(600)	363
Total funds carried forward	19	183	(1,712)	7,391	5,862	6,462

The Statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 29 to 59 form part of these financial statements.

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### BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 AUGUST 2019

	Note		2019 £000		2018
Fixed assets	Note		ŁUUU		£000
Tangible assets	15		7,336		7,190
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Current assets			7,330		7,190
Debtors	16	132		114	
Cash at bank and in hand	24	607		815	
Current liabilities	_	739		929	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	17	(290)		(591)	
Net current assets	_		449		338
Total assets less current liabilities			7,785		7,528
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	18		(2)		(5)
Net assets excluding pension liability			7,783		7,523
Defined benefit pension scheme liability	25		(1,921)		(1,061)
Total net assets		=	5,862	=	6,462
Funds of the Academy Restricted funds:					
Fixed asset funds	19	7,391		7,178	
Restricted income funds	19	209		192	
Restricted funds excluding pension asset	19	7,600		7,370	
Pension reserve	19	(1,921)		(1,061)	
Total restricted funds	19		5,679		6,309
Unrestricted income funds	19		183		153

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### BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED) AS AT 31 AUGUST 2019

The financial statements on pages 24 to 59 were approved by the Trustees, and authorised for issue are signed on their behalf, by:

Chris Kealey (MBE)
Chair of Trustees

Matthew Nicolle
Accounting Officer

Date: 11 December 2019 Date: 11 December 2019

The notes on pages 29 to 59 form part of these financial statements.

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### STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

Cash flows from operating activities	Note	2019 £000	2018 £000
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities	21	(211)	295
Cash flows from investing activities	23	8	(106)
Cash flows from financing activities	22	(5)	(6)
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year		(208)	183
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		815	632
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	24	607	815

The notes on pages 29 to 59 form part of these financial statements

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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

#### 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 2018 to 2019 issued by ESFA, the Charities Act 2011 and the Companies Act 2006.

Redmoor Academy meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

Redmoor Academy is a company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The ddress of the registered office, principal place of operation and registered number are detailed on pages 1 and 2. The nature of the Academy Trust's operations and principal activity are detailed in the Trustees Report.

The Financial Statements are prepared in British Pound Sterling  $(\mathfrak{L})$ , the functional currency, rounded to the nearest £1,000.

#### 1.2 Going concern

The Trustees assess whether the use of going concern is appropriate i.e. 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. The Trustees make this assessment in respect of a period of at least one year from the date of authorisation for issue of the financial statements and have concluded that the Academy has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and there are no material uncertainties about the Academy's ability to continue as a going concern, thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

#### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.3 Income

All incoming resources are recognised when the Academy has entitlement to the funds, the receipt is probable and the amount can be measured reliably.

#### Grants

Grants are included in the Statement of Financial Activities 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 meeting any performance-related conditions there is not unconditional entitlement to the income and its recognition is deferred and included in creditors as deferred income until the performance-related conditions are met. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, the income is accrued.

General Annual Grant is recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year for which it is receivable and any abatement in respect of the year is deducted from income and recognised as a liability.

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

### • Sponsorship income

Sponsorship income provided to the Academy which amounts to a donation is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which it is receivable (where there are no performance-related conditions) where receipt is probable and it can be measured reliably.

#### Donations

Donations are recognised on a receivable basis (where there are no performance-related conditions) where the receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

#### Other income

Other income, including the hire of facilities, is recognised in the year it is receivable and to the extent the Academy has provided the goods or services.

#### 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 raising funds

This includes all expenditure incurred by the Academy to raise funds for its charitable purposes and includes costs of all fundraising activities events and non-charitable trading.

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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

#### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.4 Expenditure (continued)

#### • Charitable activities

These are costs incurred on the Academy's educational operations, including support costs and costs relating to the governance of the Academy apportioned to charitable activities.

All resources expended are inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

#### 1.5 Operating leases

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the lease term.

#### 1.6 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.

#### 1.7 Tangible fixed assets

Assets costing £1,000 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.

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Long leasehold land - 125 years over the term of the lease

Long leasehold property - 2% Straight line Long leasehold property - 2% Straight line

improvements

Plant and machinery - 20% Straight line
Computer equipment - 25% Straight line
Furniture and fittings - 10% 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.

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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

#### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.8 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.

#### 1.9 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.

### 1.10 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities and provisions 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. Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised within interest payable and similar charges.

### 1.11 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 16. 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 notes 17 and 18. 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.

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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

#### 1. Accounting policies (continued)

#### 1.12 Pensions

Retirement benefits to employees of the Academy Trust are provided by the Teachers' Pension Scheme ("TPS") and the Local Governments 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. As stated in note 25, the TPS is an unfunded multi-employer scheme and there is insufficient information available to use defined benefit accounting. The TPS is therefore 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 Trust 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.

### 1.13 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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#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

#### 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 Trust 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 annual depreciation charge for tangible fixed assets is sensitive to changes in the estimated useful economic lives and residual values of the assets. The useful economic lives and residual values are reassessed annually. See note 15 for the carrying amount of the tangible fixed assets, and note 1.7 for the useful economic lives for each class of assets.

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 25, 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 2016 has been used by the actuary in valuing the pensions liability at 31 August 2019. 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.

#### Critical areas of judgment:

The judgments that have had a significant effect on amounts recognised in the financial statements are those covering the choice of depreciation policies and asset lives.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

# 3. Income from donations and capital grants

	Unrestricted funds 2019 £000	Restricted funds 2019 £000	Restricted fixed asset funds 2019 £000	Total funds 2019 £000
Voluntary income	-	4	-	4
Capital Grants	-	-	257	257
	-	4	257	261
Voluntary income	Unrestricted funds 2018 £000 11	Restricted funds 2018 £000	Restricted fixed asset funds 2018 £000	Total funds 2018 £000 16
Capital Grants	-	-	361	361
	11	5	361	377

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# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

# 4. Funding for the Academy's operations

	Restricted funds 2019 £000	Total funds 2019 £000	Total funds 2018 £000
DfE/ESFA grants			~~~
General Annual Grant (GAG)	4,232	4,232	3,979
Pupil Premium	160	160	155
Capital grants	66	66	19
Other ESFA/DfE grants	73	73	31
	4,531		4,184
Other government grants	,	,	,
Local Authority income	125	125	97
Other funding	125	125	97
School trips and parental contributions	150	150	163
Contributions to clubs and educational activities	34	34	17
Other income	-	-	26
	184	184	206
	4,840	4,840	4,487

In 2018, of total funding for education operations of £4,487,000, £7,000 was classified as unrestricted funds, £4,461,000 was classified as restricted funds and £19,000 was classified as restricted fixed asset funds.

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# 5. Income from other trading activities

Unrestricted funds 2019 £000	Total funds 2019 £000	Total funds 2018 £000
6	6	3
-	-	6
4	4	2
5	5	3
157	157	198
4	4	14
9	9	1
185	185	227
	funds 2019 £000 6 - 4 5 157 4 9	funds funds 2019 2019 £000 £000

In 2018, all income from other trading activities was classified as unrestricted funds.

## 6. Investment income

Unrestricted	Total
funds	funds
2019	2019
£000	£000
Investment income 2	2

In 2018, the Academy received no investment income.

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# 7. Expenditure

	Staff Costs 2019 £000	Premises 2019 £000	Other 2019 £000	Total 2019 £000
Expenditure on raising voluntary income:				
Direct costs Educational operations:	98	-	59	157
Direct costs	3,054	143	277	3,474
Allocated support costs	933	202	460	1,595
	4,085	345	796	5,226
	Staff Costs 2018 £000	Premises 2018 £000	Other 2018 £000	Total 2018 £000
Expenditure on raising voluntary income:				
Direct costs Educational operations:	117	-	82	199
Direct costs	2,827	140	242	3,209
Allocated support costs	856	354	516	1,726
	3,800	494	840	5,134

In 2018, of the total expensiture of £5,134,000, £199,000 was from unrestricted funds, £4,735,000 was from restricted funds and £200,000 was from restricted fixed asset funds.

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# 8. Expenditure on raising funds

# Costs of raising voluntary income

	Unrestricted funds 2019 £000	Total funds 2019 £000	Total funds 2018 £000
Catering costs	59	59	81
Music service costs	-	-	1
Catering wages and salaries	82	82	97
Catering national insurance	2	2	3
Catering pension cost	14	14	17
	157	157	199

In 2018, all costs of raising funds was classified as unrestricted funds.

# 9. Analysis of expenditure by activities

	Activities undertaken directly 2019 £000	Support costs 2019 £000	Total funds 2019 £000
Educational operations	3,474	1,595	5,069

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9.	Analysis of expenditure by activities (continued)			
		Activities undertaken directly 2018	Support costs 2018 £000	Total funds 2018 £000
	Educational operations	3,209	1,726	4,935
	Analysis of direct costs			
			Total funds 2019 £000	Total funds 2018 £000
	Staff costs		3,054	2,827
	Depreciation		168	155
	Educational supplies		36	34
	Examination fees		67	49
	Other direct costs		149	144
			3,474	3,209

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# 9. Analysis of expenditure by activities (continued)

# **Analysis of support costs**

	Total funds 2019	Total funds 2018
	£000	£000
Pension finance costs (note 14)	32	33
Staff costs	901	823
Travel and subsistence	-	2
Maintenance of premises	181	280
Cleaning	9	9
Rent and rates	2	17
Energy costs	57	48
Insurance	34	29
Catering	32	28
Legal and professional	156	206
Other support costs	179	231
Governance costs	12	20
	1,595	1,726

# 10. Net income/(expenditure)

Net income/(expenditure) for the year includes:

	2019 £000	2018 £000
Operating lease rentals	139	117
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	168	155
Internal audit costs	1	1
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	3	45
Fees paid to auditor for:		
- audit	11	11
- other services	3	9

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#### 11. Staff costs

## a. Staff costs

Staff costs during the year were as follows:

	2019 £000	2018 £000
Wages and salaries	3,053	2,844
Social security costs	279	252
Pension costs	719	663
	4,051	3,759
Agency staff costs	2	-
Staff restructuring costs	-	8
Pension finance costs (note 14)	32	33
	4,085	3,800
Staff restructuring costs comprise:		
	2019 £000	2018 £000
Redundancy payments	-	8
	-	8

# b. Non-statutory/non-contractual staff severance payments

Included in staff restructing costs is a statutory redundancy payment totalling £Nil (2018- £8,000).

## c. Staff numbers

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

	2019 No.	2018 No.
Teaching staff	50	52
Support staff	68	64
Management	6	6
	124	122

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#### 11. Staff costs (continued)

#### d. Higher paid staff

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

	2019 No.	2018 No.
In the band £70,001 - £80,000	-	1
In the band £80,001 - £90,000	1	-

#### e. Key management personnel

The Key Management Personnel of the Academy Trust comprise the Staff Trustees and the Senior Management Team as listed on Pages 1. The total amount of employee benefits (including employer pension contributions amd employers NI contributions) received by Key Management Personnel for their services to the Academy Trust was £528,976 (2018 - £509,138).

#### 12. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

One or more Trustees has been paid remuneration or has received other benefits from 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:

		2019	2018
		£000	£000
Matthew Nicolle (Principal and Accounting Officer)	Remuneration	85 - 90	75 - 80
	Pension contributions paid	10 - 15	10 - 15
Mary Stanhope (Resigned 12 November 2018	B) Remuneration	5 - 10	35 - 40
	Pension contributions paid	0 - 5	5 - 10
John Duggins	Remuneration	40 - 45	35 - 40
	Pension contributions paid	5 - 10	0 - 5
Angela Woodward (Appointed 27 March 2019	) Remuneration	5 - 10	-
	Pension contributions paid	0 - 5	-

During the year ended 31 August 2019, no Trustee expenses have been incurred (2018 - £470 was reimbursed to two Trustees).

Other related party transactions involving the Trustees are set out in note 27.

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#### 13. Trustees' 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 £3,000,000 on any one claim and the cost for the year ended 31 August 2019 was £761 (2018 - £776). The cost of this insurance is included in the total insurance cost.

#### 14. Pension finance cost

	2019 £000	2018 £000
Interest income on pension scheme assets Interest on pension scheme liabilities	66 (98)	51 (84)
	(32)	(33)

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## 15. Tangible fixed assets

	Long leasehold property £000	Long-term leasehold property improvements £000	Furniture and fittings £000	Plant and machinery £000	Computer equipment £000	Total £000
Cost or valuation						
At 1 September		4.00=			44=	0.40
2018	6,632	1,287	65	28	115	8,127
Additions	-	294	20	-	3	317
Disposals	-	(2)	(2)	(5)	-	(9)
At 31 August 2019	6,632	1,579	83	23	118	8,435
Depreciation						
At 1 September 2018	744	59	22	27	85	937
Charge for the year	116	27	7	1	17	168
On disposals	-	-	(1)	(5)	-	(6)
At 31 August 2019	860	86	28	23	102	1,099
Net book value						
At 31 August 2019	5,772	1,493	55		16	7,336
At 31 August 2018	5,888	1,228	43	1	30	7,190

Included in long leasehold property is long leasehold land valued at £1,402,000 (2018: £1,402,000) on conversion in 2012 by Andrea Hopkins MRICS, using the depreciated replacement cost method. The Trustees consider that the valuation remains appropriate for the purposes of these financial statements.

The freehold of the land and buildings is owned by Leicestershire County Council. The Academy holds a 125 year lease on a peppercorn rent from 2012.

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16.	Debtors		
		2019 £000	2018 £000
	Due within one year		
	Trade debtors	1	3
	VAT recoverable	28	21
	Prepayments and accrued income	103	90
		132	114
17.	Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year		
		2019 £000	2018 £000
	Other loans	5	7
	Trade creditors	-	43
	Other taxation and social security	68	66
	Other creditors	70	68
	Accruals and deferred income	147	407
		290	591
		2019 £000	2018 £000
	Deferred income		
	Deferred income at 1 September 2018	10	8
	Resources deferred during the year	9	10
	Amounts released from previous periods	(10)	(8)
		9	10

At the balance sheet date the Academy Trust was holding funds received in advance for rates funding.

Included within other loans falling due within one year are loans of £5,000 (2018: £7,000) from the Education and Skills Funding Agency under the Condition Improvement Fund.

The loans are interest free and repayable over 2 years. The loans were pre-approved by the Secretary of State for Education.

The loans were for various lighting and insulation projects.

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2019	2018
£000	£000
2	5
	£000

Included within the above are amounts falling due as follows:

Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year

18.

	£000	£000
Between two and fixe years		
Other loans	2	5

2019

2018

Included within other loans falling due after more than one year are loans of £2,000 (2018: £5,000) from the Education and Skills Funding Agency under the Condition Improvement Fund.

The loans are interest free and repayable over 2 years. The loans were pre-approved by the Secretary of State for Education.

The loans were for various lighting and insulation projects.

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# 19. Statement of funds

	ce at 1 tember 2018 £000	Income £000	Expenditure £000	Transfers in/(out) £000	Gains/ (Losses) £000	Balance at 31 August 2019 £000
Unrestricted funds	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000
General funds	153	187	(157)	<u> </u>	-	183
Restricted general funds						
General Annual Grant (GAG)	190	4,232	(4,155)	(58)	_	209
Other DfE/ESFA grants	-	7,232		(30)	- -	-
Pupil Premium	_	160	,	-	_	_
Capital grants	2	-	(2)	_	-	-
Local Authority income	-	125		-	-	-
Other income	-	188	(188)	-	-	-
Pension reserve	(1,061)	-	(198)	-	(662)	(1,921)
	(869)	4,778	(4,901)	(58)	(662)	(1,712)
Restricted fixed asset funds						
Net book value of fixed assets	7,190	-	(168)	314	-	7,336
Devolved Formula Capital	-	66	_	(4)	-	62
Salix loans	(12)	-	-	5	-	(7)
Capital Improvement Funding	-	257	-	(257)	-	-
	7,178	323	(168)	58	-	7,391
Total Restricted funds	6,309	5,101	(5,069)	<u> </u>	(662)	5,679
Total funds	6,462	5,288	(5,226)	<u>-</u>	(662)	5,862

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#### 19. Statement of funds (continued)

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

#### **Unrestricted funds**

Unrestricted funds are to be used towards meeting any of the charitable objects of the Academy at the discretion of the Trustees.

#### **General Annual Grant (GAG)**

Funds from the Education and Skills Funding Agency for the provision of education, in line with the funding agreement.

Under the funding agreement with the Secretary of State, the Academy was not subject to a limit on the amount of GAG that it could carry forward at 31 August 2019. Transfers of £58,000 from restricted funds to the restricted fixed asset fund represents allocations from GAG towards the improvements to the buildings of the Academy.

# Other DfE/ESFA grants

Other funds provided by the DfE/ESFA for particular purposes within the Academy's educational operations.

#### **Pupil premium**

Additional funds from the Education and Skills Funding Agency to support their disadvantaged pupils and close the attainment gap between them and their peers. This is allocated for every pupil who receives free school meals.

### **Capital grants**

This consists of Devolved Formula Capital (DFC) and other capital funding from the Education and Skills Funding Agency. The DFC is to be used for ICT items, improvements to building and other facilities or capital repairs and refurbishments and minor works. Other capital grants are to be used as per the individual terms of the agreement and for the specific capital projects as applied for.

The unspent capital grant fund has been created to recognise unspent capital grants received for the purpose of the replacement roofing works.

## Other local authority grants

These are funds and grants received from the Local Authority and other institutions for use on specific educational projects.

### Other income

These consist of income from all other sources to be used primarily for the Academy's educational operations.

#### Pension reserve

Being the fund in relation to the defined benefit pension scheme liability included in the Balance Sheet. The fund is in deficit given the nature of the liability, however, this is not payable immediately. Plans are in place to address the deficit.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

## 19. Statement of funds (continued)

#### Restricted fixed asset funds

The net book value of fixed asset fund has been set up to recognise the tangible assets held by the Academy Trust and is equivalent to the net book value of tangible fixed assets. Depreciation of tangible fixed assets is allocated to this fund.

The Salix loan balance represents the loan liabilities which were received as part of the funding received for the purchase of tangible fixed assets and repairs to the school building. As repayments are made against this liability, a transfer will be made from restricted funds against the Salix loan fund.

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# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

# 19. Statement of funds (continued)

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

	ance at tember 2017 £000	Income Ex	openditure £000	Transfers in/(out) £000	Gains/ (Losses) £000	Balance at 31 August 2018 £000
General funds	107	245	(199)	<u>-</u> -	-	153
Restricted funds						
General Annual Grant (GAG)	366	3,979	(4,030)	(125)	_	190
Other DfE/ESFA grants	-	31	(31)	(120)	_	-
Pupil Premium	_	155	(155)	_	_	_
Capital grants	15	-	(133)	_	_	2
Local Authority income	-	97	(97)	_	_	_
Other income	_	204	(204)	_	_	_
Pension reserve	(1,262)	-	(205)	-	406	(1,061)
	(881)	4,466	(4,735)	(125)	406	(869)
Restricted fixed asset funds						
Net book value of fixed assets	6,891	-	(200)	499	-	7,190
Devolved Formula Capital	_	19	-	(19)	-	_
Salix loans	(18)	-	_	6	_	(12)
Section 106 funding	-	361	-	(361)	-	-
	6,873	380	(200)	125	-	7,178
Total Restricted funds	5,992	4,846	(4,935)	-	406	6,309
Total funds	6,099	5,091	(5,134)	<u>-</u>	406	6,462
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# 20. Analysis of net assets between funds

# Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

	Unrestricted funds 2019 £000	Restricted funds 2019 £000	Restricted fixed asset funds 2019 £000	Total funds 2019 £000
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	7,336	7,336
Current assets	183	494	62	739
Current liabilities	-	(285)	(5)	(290)
Non-current liabilities	-	-	(2)	(2)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	-	(1,921)	-	(1,921)
Total	183	(1,712)	7,391	5,862

# Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year

			Restricted	
	Unrestricted	Restricted	fixed asset	Total
	funds	funds	funds	funds
	2018	2018	2018	2018
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	7,190	7,190
Current assets	153	776	-	929
Current liabilities	-	(584)	(7)	(591)
Non-current liabilities	-	-	(5)	(5)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	-	(1,061)	-	(1,061)
7.44	153	(869)		6,462
Total		(000)		-,

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21.	Reconciliation of net income/(expenditure) to net cash flow from operating	g activities	
		2019 £000	2018 £000
	Net income/(expenditure) for the year (as per Statement of Financial Activities)	62	(43)
	Adjustments for:		
	Depreciation	168	155
	Capital grants from DfE and other capital income	(323)	(393)
	Interest receivable	(2)	-
	Defined benefit pension scheme cost less contributions payable	166	172
	Defined benefit pension scheme finance cost (Note 14)	32	33
	Increase in debtors	(18)	(51)
	(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(299)	377
	Loss on sale of fixed assets	3	45
	Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities	(211)	295
22.	Cash flows from financing activities		
		2019 £000	2018 £000
	Repayments of borrowing	(5)	(6)
	Net cash used in financing activities	(5)	(6)
23.	Cash flows from investing activities		
		2019 £000	2018 £000
	Interest receivable	2	-
	Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(317)	(499)
	Capital grants from DfE Group	323	393
	Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities	8	(106)

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#### 24. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

Cash in hand	2019 £000 607	2018 £000 815
Total cash and cash equivalents	607	815

#### 25. Pension commitments

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

The latest actuarial valuation of the TPS related to the period ended 31 March 2012 and of the LGPS 31 March 2016.

Contributions amounting to £67,147 were payable to the schemes at 31 August 2019 (2018 - £61,842) and are included within creditors.

### **Teachers' Pension Scheme**

### Introduction

The Teachers' Pension Scheme (TPS or scheme) is a statutory, unfunded, defined benefit occupational scheme, governed by the Teachers' Pensions Regulations 2010 (as amended), and the Teachers' Pension Scheme Regulations 2014 (as amended). These regulations apply to teachers in schools and other educational establishments, including Academies, in England and Wales that are maintained by local authorities. In addition, teachers in many independent and voluntary-aided schools and teachers and lecturers in some establishments of further and higher education may be eligible for membership. Membership is automatic for full-time teachers and lecturers and, from 1 January 2007, automatic too for teachers and lecturers in part-time employment following appointment or a change of contract. Teachers and lecturers are able to opt out of the TPS.

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#### 25. Pension commitments (continued)

#### The Teachers' Pension Scheme budgeting and valuation account

Although members may be employed by various bodies, their retirement and other pension benefits are set out in regulations made under the Superannuation Act (1972) and Public Service Pensions Act (2013) and are paid by public funds provided by Parliament. The TPS is an unfunded scheme and members contribute on a 'pay as you go 'basis – contributions from members, along with those made by employers, are credited to the Exchequer under arrangements governed by the above Acts.

The Teachers' Pensions Regulations 2010 require an annual account, the Teachers' Pension Budgeting and Valuation Account, to be kept of receipts and expenditure (including the cost of pension increases). From 1 April 2001, the Account has been credited with a real rate of return, which is equivalent to assuming that the balance in the Account is invested in notional investments that produce that real rate of return.

#### Valuation of the Teachers' Pension Scheme

The latest valuation of the Teachers' Pension Scheme has now taken place, in line with directions issued by HM Treasury and using membership data as at 31 March 2016. As a result of this valuation TPS employers will pay an increased contribution rate of 23.68% from September 2019 (this includes the administration levy of 0.8%). The timing of the implementation is to align its introduction with employers' budget planning cycles. Until then, employers will pay the current rate of 16.48%.

A copy of the latest valuation report can be found by following this link to the Teachers' Pension Scheme website www.teacherspensions.co.uk/news/employers/2019/04/teachers-pensions-valuation-report.aspx.

## **Scheme Changes**

The arrangements for a reformed Teachers' Pension Scheme, in line with the recommendations made by Lord Hutton, in particular the introduction of a Career Average Revalued Earnings (CARE) scheme, were implemented from 1 April 2015.

In December 2018, the Court of Appeal held that transitional protection provisions contained in the reformed judicial and firefighter pension schemes, introduced as part of public service pension reforms in 2015, gave rise to direct age discrimination and were therefore unlawful. The Supreme Court, in a decision made in June 2019, have rejected the Government's application for permission to appeal the Court of Appeal's ruling. The case will now be referred to an Employment Tribunal for a decision regarding the remedy which will need to be offered to those members of the two schemes who were subject of the age discrimination.

HM Treasury are clear that the ruling has implications for the other public service schemes, including the Teachers' Pension Scheme. Those implications are currently being considered and any impact on scheme costs is expected to be looked at within the next scheme valuation, which is currently scheduled to be based on April 2020 data and implemented in April 2023.

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#### 25. Pension commitments (continued)

#### **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 2019 was £287,000 (2018 - £263,000), of which employer's contributions totalled £229,000 (2018 - £209,000) and employees' contributions totalled £ 58,000 (2018 - £54,000). The agreed contribution rates for future years are 25.3% for employers and 5.5% - 12.5% per cent for employees.

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.

## Principal actuarial assumptions

	2019	2018
	%	%
Rate of increase in salaries	3.3	3.3
Rate of increase for pensions in payment/inflation	2.3	2.3
Discount rate for scheme liabilities	1.9	2.8
Inflation assumption (CPI)	2.3	2.3
Commutation of pensions to lump sums	50.0	50.0

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

	2019 Years	2018 Years
Retiring today		
Males	21.2	22.1
Females	23.4	24.3
Retiring in 20 years		
Males	22.2	23.8
Females	24.7	26.2

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Pen	sion commitments (continued)		
Sen	sitivity analysis		
		2019 £000	2018 £000
Disc	count rate +0.1%	(129)	(90)
Disc	count rate -0.1%	129	90
Mor	tality assumption - 1 year increase	183	132
Mor	tality assumption - 1 year decrease	(183)	(132)
CPI	rate +0.1%	107	73
CPI	rate -0.1%	(107)	(73)
The	Academy's share of the assets in the scheme was:		
		At 31 August 2019 £000	At 31 August 2018 £000
Equ	ities	1,543	1,393
Deb	ot instruments	825	607
Prop	perty	213	202
Cas	h and other liquid assets	80	45
Tota	al market value of assets	2,661	2,247
The	actual return on scheme assets was £153,000 (2018 - £96,000)		
The	Academy expects to contribute £243,000 to its defined benefit p	ension in 2020.	
The	amounts recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities are	as follows:	
		2019 £000	2018 £000
Curr	rent service cost	(341)	(381)
Pas	t service cost	(54)	-
Inte	rest income	66	51
Inte	rest cost	(98)	(84)

(427)

(414)

Total amount recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities

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## 25. Pension commitments (continued)

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

	2019 £000	2018 £000
At 1 September	3,308	3,174
Current service cost	341	381
Interest cost	98	84
Employee contributions	58	54
Actuarial losses/(gains)	749	(361)
Benefits paid	(26)	(24)
Past service costs	54	-
At 31 August	4,582	3,308

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

	2019 £000	2018 £000
At 1 September	2,247	1,912
Interest income	66	51
Actuarial gains	87	45
Employer contributions	229	209
Employee contributions	58	54
Benefits paid	(26)	(24)
At 31 August	2,661	2,247

# 26. Operating lease commitments

At 31 August 2019 the Academy had commitments to make future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	2019 £000	2018 £000
Not later than 1 year	129	117
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	409	353
Later than 5 years	937	-
	1,475	470

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#### 27. Related party transactions

Owing to the nature of the Academy's operations 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 a trustees has an interest. All transactions involving such organisations are conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Academy 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 Trust's financial regulations and normal procurement procedures relating to connected and related party transactions.

No related party transactions took place in the year of account, other than the certain Trustees' remuneration and expenses already disclosed in note 12.

## 28. Controlling party

The Academy Trust is ultimatelty controlled by the Board of Trustees, which includes the Principal.

#### 29. 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 £10 for the debts and liabilities contracted before he/she ceases to be a member.

#### 30. Company limited by guarantee

The Academy Trust is a company limited by guarantee and does not have share capital.