# ST CYPRIAN'S GREEK ORTHODOX PRIMARY ACADEMY (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

# TRUSTEES' REPORT AND AUDITED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

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## REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

#### **Trustees**

His Eminence Archbishop of Thyateira and Great Britain

A Adrien

A Broadberry \* (Re-appointed 1.12.20)
A Christou \* (Re-appointed 1.12.20)
E Loizou \*(Retired 22.7.21)
A. Mantilas \*(Appointed 1.12.20)

C Nestoros \*

E Osagiobare (Re-appointed 1.12.20)
A Prescod \* (Re-appointed 1.9.20)
P Prodromou \* (Re-appointed 1.12.20)
S Tsoukkas Re-appointed 1.12.20
S Wesley (Retired 9.10.20)
C. Vradis \* (Appointed 24.8.20)
P Tragoulias \* (Appointed 1.12.20)
R Darko (Appointed 10.11.20)
Z Iliokaftou (Appointed 10.11.20)
N. Gani (Appointed 10.11.20)
N. Tsiama (Appointed 14.10.21)

\* Members of the Finance Committee

Members

His Eminence Archbishop of Thyateira and Great Britain

A.Theodorou A Andreou A Hawkins P Soteriou A Broadberry

Senior management team

- Head Teacher

- Deputy Head Teacher

C Vradis A Adrien

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Registered office

St Cyprian's Greek Orthodox Primary Academy

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Lloyds Bank plc PO Box 1000 BX1 1LT

## TRUSTEES' REPORT

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements and auditor's report of the charitable company for the year ended 31 August 2021. The annual report serves the purposes of both a Trustees' report, and a directors' report under company law.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the charitable company's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 2006, the Statement of Recommended Practice 2015, "Accounting and Reporting by Charities", and the Academies' Accounts Direction 2020/2021 issued by the ESFA.

The principal activity of the company is the operation of a state-funded Academy; St Cyprian's Greek Orthodox Primary Academy, providing a state education for students aged 3 to 11. It has a pupil capacity of 506 and had a roll of 373 in the school census on 21st Jan 2021

## Structure, governance and management

#### Constitution

The academy trust was incorporated as a company on 28 May 2012 and the predecessor school converted to academy status on 01 July 2012. 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 St Cyprian's Greek Orthodox Primary Academy are also the Directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law.

Details of the Trustees who served during the year 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

No indemnities have been given to any third parties on behalf of any Trustees. In accordance with normal commercial practice, the charitable company has purchased insurance to protect Directors and officers from claims arising from negligent acts, errors or omissions occurring while on company business.

## Method of recruitment and appointment or election of Trustees

In accordance with the articles, the Trustees are appointed as follows:

- a) A minimum of 9 Directors (Trustees) are appointed by the members of the Academy Trust and will include His Eminence Archbishop of Thyateira and Great Britain, or should he be unable or unwilling to act as Director, he shall be replaced by the most senior of the assistant bishops in the archdiocese who is willing and able to act;
- b) The Head Teacher is an ex officio Director;
- c) 2 Staff Directors appointed by Staff;
- d) 3 Parent Directors appointed by Parents;
- e) A further 2 directors may be co-opted by the Directors, with the consent of the Archbishop.

The term of all Directors except the Archbishop is 4 years. Directors can stand for re-election after this period.

Recommendations for new Directors will be reviewed by the Archbishop and members. Consideration will be given to any additional skills deemed to be appropriate to maintain a full complement of expertise on the governing body.

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## Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of Trustees

The training and induction provided for new Trustees will depend on their existing experience. A skills audit is undertaken to identify any specific needs. Where necessary, induction will provide training in charity, educational, legal and financial matters. All new Directors receive formal induction training through the Octavo Governor Support Service SLA. Individual Governors also attended additional courses at Octavo during 20120/2021 including courses on safeguarding, strategic vision and planning, HR responsibilities for Governors and driving school improvement. All Directors are provided with copies of the Funding Agreement and Articles of Association together with policies, procedures, minutes, terms of reference, accounts, budget plans and other documents needed to undertake their role as Directors.

#### Organisational structure

The management structure consists of the Members, Directors (Trustees) and Senior Leadership Team. The aim of the structure is to devolve responsibility and encourage involvement in decision making at all levels. The Directors, through their committee structure, will oversee the quality of educational provision and challenge and monitor the performance of the Academy. They are responsible for approving an annual budget, monitoring performance against budget and taking key decisions regarding the direction of the Academy, capital expenditure and senior staff appointments.

The leadership team consists of the Head Teacher, Deputy Head, three senior team leaders and the school business manager. They manage and control the Academy at an executive level and are responsible for implementing the Academy's policies as approved by the Directors and reporting back to them. The Head Teacher, supported by the senior team, is responsible for the authorisation of expenditure and the appointment of staff within agreed parameters as set out in the formal scheme of delegation. As accounting officer, the Head Teacher is accountable for ensuring and maintaining a transparent system of effective internal controls.

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

The Trustees (Directors) consider that they are, together with the Interim Head, and Interim Deputy Head, the Senior Leadership Team. The Trustees give of their time freely. The remuneration of the Interim Head, and Interim Deputy Head is set out by the Pay and Personnel/Finance Committee and endorsed by the Full Governing Body. It is kept under annual review, through performance management by a panel comprising Directors from the Pay and Personnel Committee which includes the Chair of the Governing Body. Performance Management of the Deputy and the Assistant Heads is carried out by the Head Teacher who makes recommendations to the Pay and Personnel Committee. A number of criteria are used in setting pay:

- Nature of the role and responsibilities
- · Competitor salaries in the region
- Performance Management targets
- Trends in pay

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#### Trade Union Facility Time

#### Relevant union officials

Number of employees who were relevant union officials during the relevant period	Full-time equivalent employee number
0	0

## Percentage of time spent on facility time

Percentage of time	Number of Employees
0%	0
1% - 50%	0
51% - 99%	0
100%	0

## Percentage of pay bill spent on facility time

Total Cost of facility time	£0
Total Pay bill	£1,814k
Percentage of the total pay bill spent on facility time	0%

### Paid trade union activities

Time spent on paid trade union activities as a percentage of total paid facility time hours.	
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## Related Parties and other Connected Charities and Organisations

St Cyprian's is an Academy with a designated religious character and as a result there is a continuing close relationship between the school and the congregations of the local Greek Orthodox churches, including The Greek Orthodox Church of Saints Constantine and Helen, Crystal Palace; The Greek Orthodox Church of Saint Nectarios, Battersea; and Nativity of the Mother of God (Cathedral), Camberwell. St Cyprian's Academy is also an honorary member of the Croydon Catholic Primary Academies' Umbrella Trust.

#### Objectives and activities

#### Objects and aims

The principal object and activity of the charitable company is the operation of St Cyprian's Greek Orthodox Primary Academy to provide education for pupils of differing abilities between the ages of 3 -11. The School has a designated Greek Orthodox religious character.

Admissions policy and arrangements for the Academy are in accordance with the admissions law and DfE codes of practice as they apply to maintained schools. This specifies the basis for admitting pupils to the Academy. The curriculum satisfies the requirements of section 78 of the Education Act 2002 providing a balanced and broadly based curriculum.

#### Objectives, strategies and activities

The main objectives of the Academy during the last year are summarised below:

- To ensure every child enjoys the same high quality education in terms of resourcing, teaching and care
- To raise the standard of educational achievement of all pupils
- To improve effectiveness of the Academy by keeping the curriculum and organisational structure under continual review
- To provide value for money for the sums expended
- To comply with all appropriate statutory and curriculum requirements
- To conduct the Academy's business in accordance with the highest standards of integrity, probity and openness

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Due to Covid 19, with the exception of children of key workers (varying in numbers from between 27 to 57 pupils per day), pupils did not attend school for about 7.5 academic weeks. The Academy's main objective upon their return was to provide them with a safe environment in which resume their education and to give them the pastoral care they required.

During school closure and school holidays, the Academy provided a combination of food boxes and free school meal vouchers to eligible pupils in accordance with government guidelines.

#### Vision Statement

The aim of St Cyprian's Greek Orthodox Primary Academy is to provide its children with the primary education of the highest quality in a supportive learning environment through the National Curriculum in the core subjects enriched by the progressive teaching of the Greek Language and Christian Orthodox religion.

The Children will be equipped with the knowledge, skills and spirituality to enable them to achieve their full potential and prepare them for successful transition to secondary education and to contribute positively to the challenges of a diverse society.

#### Public benefit

The Academy Trust Directors have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission on their website in exercising their powers and duties.

#### Strategic report

#### Achievements and performance

In June 2017, the S48 (Religious Education) inspection found the Academy to be "outstanding". The Academy's flagship Inclusion status was renewed on 14 October 2021. On 16<sup>th</sup> October 2018, Ofsted found the school as continuing to be "Good".

The Academy continues to hold the following externally validated awards; Inclusion Quality Mark Flagship Status, Primary Quality Mark, Anti Bullying Alliance Gold, and Gold School Travel Plan Award.

#### Key Performance Indicators

Due to Covid 19 there are no Early years and SATs results to report.

Attendance was 96.7% in 2020-21 with all children excluding keyworker children marked as not having to attend school during the period of lockdown.

## Going concern

The Board considered the budget forecasts (submitted to the ESFA in July 2021) for 2021-2022, 2022-23 and 2023-24 academic years that were based on a projection of falling pupil numbers at the school. The consequence of reduced funding had resulted in a school budget that would be in deficit in 2022-2023.

In the forecasts, pupil numbers (excluding Nursery) for 2022-23 and 2023-24 were estimated at 339 and 349 respectively. The corresponding deficits for 2022-23 and 2023-24 were forecast at £99,897 and £237,835 respectively

In response Head teacher Mr. Christopher Vradis embarked on a programme of promoting the school through an extensive marketing and fundraising initiative, as well as a programme of raising standards to attract more pupils to the school.

The situation improved when, in the October 2021 census, pupil numbers were 346 (excluding Nursery) a net increase of 7 pupils, representing approximately £25,900 of increased funding. Additionally, cost savings made in 2020-21 by Mr Vradis resulted in extra reserves of approximately £60,000 which means that the predicted deficit in 2022-23 now stands at approximately £14,000.

The school's finances have been impacted by Covid 29 in several ways, in particular: higher staff costs to help children who have fallen behind in their work; staff cover costs as a result of increased absenteeism through illness

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or self-isolating; loss of revenue from wraparound care and catering. Through a combination of financial management and reserves, the school carried forward reserves of approximately £147k as at 31.8.2021.

Management accounts are prepared and reviewed monthly by the Head teacher, Chairs of the full governing body and finance committee. These accounts are circulated to the full governing body six times a year.

The Board identifies risks as follows:

- Decline in pupil numbers due to falling birth rates, and relocation.
- Funding rates that may decline in real terms.
- Higher cost of supplies and services in particular the cost of utilities.
- · Inadequate staffing levels due to Covid or severe flu.

The Board is confident that the Academy under Mr. Vradis's leadership will continue to make progress in securing the long-term viability of the school, and that he will do everything necessary to mitigate the risks as far as possible. Mr. Vradis seeks to make the school "outstanding" and fully subscribed.

The Board has carried out a skills audit and is assured that its trustees have the necessary expertise to support Mr Vradis and the school.

Consequently, the board of trustees has a reasonable expectation that based on the above, 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

We receive our income from a number of different sources. The majority of our income comes from central government via the Education and Skills Funding Agency who provide us with grant, based largely on our student numbers to cover our staffing and other general running costs (General Annual Grant - GAG). The ESFA may provide us with additional grants which are earmarked for specific purposes (such as Pupil Premium which must be used to raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils). These appear in the accounts as DfE/ESFA grants. Where we receive grant or other funding from the Local Authority (such as where we undertake responsibilities on their behalf in respect of our students) this appears in the accounts as other government grants. Such income is collectively referred to as "Restricted Funds".

Other income is received from parents (for example as contributions to trip or other costs) and from third parties (for example from our bank for interest on our account balances or from others who are charged for their use of our facilities) Such other income may be restricted or unrestricted, depending on whether it comes to us with conditions as to its use or whether it is available for spending at the discretion of the trustees.

We hold funds in two broad categories, funds which are available for spending and other funds which are not available for spending.

Spendable funds are in turn sub-categorised between those which are available for spending at the discretion of trustees ("Unrestricted Funds") and those which are subject to condition or restriction, ("Restricted Funds").

Funds not available for spending include the book value of fixed assets such as land, buildings and equipment. These have a value and are therefore included as assets in the accounts but clearly, we cannot spend this value. In common with all academies and Local Authorities, our share of the Local Government Pension Scheme deficit must also be reflected in our accounts and as this is not a conventional liability, it does not need to be deducted from spendable funds. We meet our obligations in respect of the LGPS by paying over pension contributions due as calculated by the scheme's actuaries.

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The following balances held were held	at 31 August:		
Fund	Category	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
GAG Other Grants Other Income	Restricted General Funds Restricted General Funds Restricted General Funds		22 14
;	Sub-total General Restricted Funds	3#	36
Unspent Capital Grants Other Income	Restricted Fixed Asset Fund Unrestricted General Fund	1 144	1 163
	Sub-Total Spendable Funds	145	200
Net Book Value of Fixed Assets Share of LGPS Deficit	Restricted Fixed Asset Fund Restricted Pension Reserve	1,461 (1,490)	1,543 (1.056)
	Total All Funds	<u>116</u>	<u>687</u>

During the year under review, there was a decrease of £36k (2020: increase of £36k) on general restricted funds, a decrease of £19k (2020: decrease of £31k) on unrestricted funds and after LGPS valuation adjustments, depreciation and capital income and expenditure, an overall decrease of £571k (2020: decrease of £273k).

### Reserves policy

The principal policy on reserves is that accumulation of unspent GAG balances should not breach any limits thereon set out in the Funding agreement. The level of reserves should never be in deficit. The Directors have reviewed the reserves of the charity; this review encompassed the nature of the income and expenditure streams, the need to match them with commitments, and the nature of reserves.

Each year the Trustees review the resource requirements and grant and other income that is forecast for the coming year and an annual budget is formulated and approved.

Due to a fall in pupil numbers of 24 from the previous year, Gag funding largely flatlined in 2020-2021 increasing by only £22,000. This, along with revenue losses from wraparound care and catering, and increased curriculum spend to improve teaching and learning, resulted in reserves carried forward at the end of the 2021 academic year of approximately £52k lower than that of the previous year.

Pupil numbers for 2021-22 fell again and a deficit budget was forecast for 2022-2023 and 2023-2024. The ESFA were informed of this prior to budget submission and a School resource management advisor was appointed. Work on this is ongoing.

## Investment policy and powers

The Academy does not hold any investments at the current time and the accounting policy for this will be determined as and when it arises. The aim is to ensure sufficient funds are available at short or no notice to meet foreseeable requirements. Any surplus cash is held in the Academy's bank account. Speculative investments are not permitted.

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### Principal risks and uncertainties

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Academy is exposed, in particular those relating to academic performance/finances/child welfare/admissions. The trustees have implemented a number of systems to assess risks that the Academy faces, and have developed policies and procedures to mitigate those risks. Where significant financial risk still remains they have ensured they have adequate insurance cover. The Academy has an effective system of internal financial controls and this is explained in more detail in the Governance Statement.

The principal financial risk faced by the company is that ongoing pressure on funding as a result of a falling roll results in a risk that deficits may be experienced. The budgeting and reporting process, including scrutiny by the Trustees of actual financial performance, mitigates the risk to an extent.

The Academy recognises the need to attract more pupils to the school and to this end has embarked on an extensive marketing and fundraising programme and work to improve standards at the school. In the first half term of the academic year 2021-2022, there has been a net increase of 7 pupils to the school.

As the nature of the financial instruments dealt with by the company is relatively simple (bank balances, debtors and "trade" creditors), trustees consider the associated risk in this area to be minimal.

The risk resulting from the company's share of the LGPS deficit is managed by following the advice of the scheme's actuaries, specifically as regards the level of contributions payable, ensuring that annual budgets are drawn up to reflect the actuary's advice.

Most of the company's income is obtained from the DfE (via the Education and Skills Funding Agency) in the form of recurrent grants, the use of which is restricted to particular purposes. The grants received from the DfE during the period ended 31 August 2021 and the associated expenditure are shown as restricted funds in the statement of financial activities.

The Premises and H&S committee monitors the fabric of the premises. Where required, monitoring includes review of the output provided by external professional services to survey and report on aspects of the premises condition from time-to-time.

#### Our fundraising practices

The Academy organises its own fundraising events with parents that include the summer and winter fairs and Mufti days. However due to Covid 19, with the exception of a number of cake sales, other fundraising events were not held in 2021. However, 3 large donations totalling £10k were given in response to direct appeals by the Academy.

The Academy did not use professional fundraisers but involved some commercial participators in the academic year 2020-2021

There have been no complaints about fundraising activity this year.

The trust complies with the Fundraising Regulator's Code of Fundraising Practice.

All fundraising is undertaken by the Academy in a manner that seeks to ensure that it is not unreasonably intrusive or persistent. Contact is made through texts to parents, letters via students, our newsletters and our website.

## Streamlined energy and carbon reporting (SECR)

Energy consumption at the school from 15 Nov 2019 to 9 Nov 2021 was 541,437 kWh. Corresponding Co2 emission was 132 tonnes.

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#### Plans for future periods

St Cyprian's Greek Orthodox Primary Academy remains a good school following a Section 8 one day Ofsted inspection in October 2018. It continues to be a high achieving school and continually strives to retain the high quality of education, and works within the Greek Orthodox ethos that underpins all aspects of life at school. The Academy aims to achieve full capacity in all year groups. With the assistance of further capital monies through various bid funding, fundraising and donations the Academy intends to make further improvements to the facilities for pupils and visitors to the school.

The Head Teacher continues to work to improve educational standards and to ensure support for pupils who require extra teaching as a result of Covid 19.

The Academy continues to use, its multi sports pitch, to encourage greater participation in sports by its students and by the wider community. It is also in the process of establishing an outdoor learning environment (Forest School) to widen the learning experience of its pupils and of other children through working with other schools.

#### Funds held as custodian trustee on behalf of others

St Cyprian's Greek Orthodox Primary Academy does not hold funds as custodian trustee on behalf of any third parties.

#### 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 trustees' report, incorporating a strategic report, was approved by order of the Board of Trustees, as the company directors, on 07 December 2021 and signed on its behalf by.

A Broadberry

Chair of Trustees

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## **GOVERNANCE STATEMENT**

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

## Scope of responsibility

As Trustees we acknowledge we have overall responsibility for ensuring that St Cyprian's Greek Orthodox Primary 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 Head Teacher, 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 St Cyprian's Greek Orthodox Primary Academy and the Secretary of State for Education. The Accounting Officer is also responsible for reporting to the Board of Trustees any material weaknesses or breakdowns in internal control.

#### Governance

The information on governance included here supplements that described in the Trustees' Report and in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities. The Board of Trustees has formally met 5 times during the year. Attendance during the year at meetings of the Board of Trustees was as follows:

Trustees	Meetings attended	Out of possible
His Eminence Archbishop of Thyateira and GB	3	5
A Broadberry	5	5
A Christou	4	5
A Mantilas	4	4
A.Adrien	5	5
A Prescod	3	5
P Prodromou	3	5
P Tragoulias	4	4
S Tsoukkas	5	5
R. Darko	4	4
Z Iliokaftou	3	4
C. Nestoros	4	5
E. Loizou	5	5
C. Vradis	5	5
N. Gani	4	4
E. Osagiobare	3	5

The Chair of the Finance Committee was fulfilled by the Chair of Trustees during the 2020-2021 academic year.

#### Governance reviews

In January 2021 all Governors completed a skills matrix assessment. Following this, they were satisfied that as a Governing Body, they have the skills necessary to carry out the function effectively. The Trustees also have utilised Governance training through a SLA with Octavo. It was considered best practice that Directors be assigned specific duties, overseeing specific areas eg safeguarding or curriculum etc. Governors matched these link roles to the completed skills matrix.

The Pay and Personnel Committee, the Education Committee, and the Premises, Health and Safety Committee each met three times in 2020-21 academic year.

The Finance Committee is a sub-committee of the main Governing Body. Its purpose is to plan and recommend budget for approval by the Full Governing Body. It obtains regular reports from the School Business Manager and from the Academy's Auditors. The Finance Committee has formally met three times during the year. Attendance at meetings in the year was as follows:

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Trustees	Meetings attended	Out of possible
A.Adrien	2	2
A Broadberry	3	3
C Vradis	3	3
E. Loizou	2	2
A Prescod	2	3
P Prodromou	Ū	3
	2	2
P Tragoulias	1	2
A Mantilas	1	2
Z lliokaftou	1	2
C Nestoros	1	3

#### **Review of Value for Money**

As accounting officer the Head Teacher 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 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 available. The accounting officer for the academy trust has delivered improved value for money during the year by:

- Continuing to obtain a number of quotes for expenditure above £5,000
- Ensuring that all staff, not just those involved in procurement, are committed to obtaining value for money, and that goods and service procured are assessed for economy, effectiveness and efficiency. Regular ongoing evaluation of service contracts.
- With the appointment of a site manager who is an ex-builder, all premises expenditure is thoroughly assessed for economy

#### 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 St Cyprian's Greek Orthodox Primary Academy for the year ended 31 August 2021 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements.

#### Capacity to handle risk

The board of Trustees has reviewed the key risks to which the Academy 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 ongoing process for identifying, evaluating and managing the Academy Trust's significant risks that has been in place for the year ended 31 August 2021 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and accounts. This process is regularly reviewed by the board of Trustees.

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## 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 Resources 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;
- · identification and management of risks as part of an ongoing process of risk assessment and management

The Trustees nominated a Trustee who is an Accountant to carry out the internal scrutiny function at the Academy. In 2020-2021 two internal scrutiny reports were provided and the Trustees are satisfied that no material weaknesses were identified in these reports. The Trustees also appointed external consultants (Schools Management Support Ltd ("SMS")) to perform peer reviews.

#### Review of effectiveness

As accounting officer, the Head teacher 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 external Consultants and the Auditors;
- the financial management and governance self-assessment process
- 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 Resources Committee and a plan to address weaknesses and ensure continuous improvement of the system is in place.

Approved by order of the Board of Trustees on 7 December 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

A Broadberry

Chair of Trustees

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C Vradis

**Accounting Officer** 

## STATEMENT OF REGULARITY, PROPRIETY AND COMPLIANCE

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

As accounting officer of St Cyprian's Greek Orthodox Primary 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 all 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 2020.

I confirm that I and the Academy Trust's Board of Trustees are able to identify any material irregular or improper use of 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 2020.

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

C Vradis

**Accounting Officer** 

07 December 2021

## STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

The trustees (who are also the directors of St Cyprian's Greek Orthodox Primary Academy for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the Financial Statements in accordance with the Academies Accounts Direction 2020 to 2021 published by the Education and Skills Funding Agency, United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare Financial Statements for each financial 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 in the Charities SORP 2019 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2020 to 2021;
- make judgements 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; and
- 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 that grants received from ESFA/DfE have been applied for the purposes intended.

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

Approved by order of the members of the Board of Trustees on 07 December 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

A Broadberry

Chair of Trustees

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ST CYPRIAN'S GREEK ORTHODOX PRIMARY ACADEMY

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

#### Opinion

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

In our opinion the Financial Statements:

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

## 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 Trust in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the Financial Statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

## Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

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

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ST CYPRIAN'S GREEK ORTHODOX PRIMARY ACADEMY (CONTINUED)

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

#### Other information

The Trustees are responsible for the other information, which comprises the information included in the annual report other than the Financial Statements and our auditor's report thereon. 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.

## Opinions 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 incorporated Strategic Report for the financial year for which the Financial Statements are prepared is consistent with the Financial Statements; and
- the Trustees' report including the incorporated strategic report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

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

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the Academy Trust and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' Report, including the incorporated Strategic Report.

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

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

## Responsibilities of Trustees

As explained more fully in the statement of Trustees' responsibilities, the Trustees 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 Trust'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 charitable company, 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.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ST CYPRIAN'S GREEK ORTHODOX PRIMARY ACADEMY (CONTINUED)

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

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

- Enquiry of management and those charged with governance around actual and potential litigation and claims.
- Enquiry of management to identify any instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- Reviewing minutes of meetings of those charged with governance.
- Reviewing internal assurance reports.
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
- Auditing the risk of management override of controls, including through testing journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, and evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business.

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

## Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company'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 charitable company'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 charitable company and the charitable company's Members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

David John Walsh FCCA (Senior Statutory Auditor) For and on behalf of Baxter & Co

Chartered Certified Accountants

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Lynwood House Crofton Road Orpington Kent BR6 8QE

Dated: 11 December 2021

# INDEPENDENT REPORTING ACCOUNTANT'S ASSURANCE REPORT ON REGULARITY TO ST CYPRIAN'S GREEK ORTHODOX PRIMARY ACADEMY AND THE EDUCATION AND SKILLS FUNDING AGENCY

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 7 June 2017 and further to the requirements of the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) as included in the Academies Accounts Direction 2020 to 2021, we have carried out an engagement to obtain limited assurance about whether the expenditure disbursed and income received by St Cyprian's Greek Orthodox Primary Academy during the period 1 September 2020 to 31 August 2021 have been applied to the purposes identified by Parliament and the financial transactions conform to the authorities which govern them.

This report is made solely to St Cyprian's Greek Orthodox Primary Academy and ESFA in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the St Cyprian's Greek Orthodox Primary 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 St Cyprian's Greek Orthodox Primary Academy and ESFA, for our work, for this report, or for the conclusion we have formed.

# Respective responsibilities of St Cyprian's Greek Orthodox Primary Academy's accounting officer and the reporting accountant

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

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

## Approach

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

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

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

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

# INDEPENDENT REPORTING ACCOUNTANT'S ASSURANCE REPORT ON REGULARITY TO ST CYPRIAN'S GREEK ORTHODOX PRIMARY ACADEMY AND THE EDUCATION AND SKILLS FUNDING AGENCY (CONTINUED)

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

The work undertaken to draw to our conclusion includes:

- Review of payments to staff;
- Review of payments to suppliers and other third parties;
- · Review of grant and other income streams;
- Review of some key financial control procedures;
- Discussions with finance staff;
- Consideration of the record maintained by the Accounting Officer of the oversight they have exercised;
- Consideration of the programme of internal scrutiny implemented by the Academy Trust in order to comply
  with its obligations under 3.1 of the Academies Financial Handbook 2020, issued by the ESFA.
- Consideration of compliance with the 'musts' in the Academies Financial Handbook.

#### Conclusion

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

Baxter & Co Independent Reporting Accountants Chartered Certified Accountants

Lynwood House Crofton Road Orpington Kent BR6 8QE

Dated: 11 December 2021

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

Income and endowments from:	Notes	Unrestricted funds £'000		ricted funds: Fixed asset £'000	Total 2021 £'000	Restated Total 2020 £'000
Donations and capital grants Charitable activities:	3	æ	17	8	25	27
<ul> <li>Funding for educational operations</li> <li>Other trading activities</li> </ul>	4 5	53 115	2,060	2 <b>.</b>	2,113 115	2,024 114
Total		168	2,077	8	2,253	2,165
Expenditure on: Raising funds Charitable activities:	6	111	1		112	15
- Educational operations	7		2,286	82	2,444	2,374
Total	6	187	2,287	82	2,556	2,389
Net expenditure		(19)	(210)	(74)	(303)	(224)
Transfers between funds	15	爱	8	(8)	-	o <del>(=</del> 1
Other recognised gains/(losses) Actuarial losses on defined benefit pension schemes	17	٠	(268)		(268)	(40)
Net movement in funds		(19)	(470)	-	(571)	(49) (273)
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward		163	(1,020)	1,544	687	960
Total funds carried forward		144	(1,490)	1,462	116	687

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED) INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

Comparative year information Year ended 31 August 2020	Un Notes	restricted funds £'000	Restricte General Fix £'000	ed funds: (ed asset £'000	Restated Total 2020 £'000
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and capital grants Charitable activities:	3	S#	18	9	27
- Funding for educational operations	4	44	1,980		2,024
Other trading activities	5	114	990		114
Total		158	1,998	9	2,165
For an all-time and				-	
Expenditure on:		40	•		15
Raising funds Charitable activities:	6	12	3		15
- Educational operations	7	177	2,106	91	2,374
Total	6	189	2,109	91	2,389
					•
Net expenditure		(31)	(111)	(82)	(224)
Transfers between funds	15	7	(14)	14	=
Other recognised gains/(losses) Actuarial losses on defined benefit pension schemes	17	:=:	(49)	1=	(49)
		:	-	-	
Net movement in funds		(31)	(174)	(68)	(273)
Reconciliation of funds Total funds brought forward		194	(846)	1,612	960
Total funds carried forward		163	(1,020)	1,544	687

## **BALANCE SHEET**

## AS AT 31 AUGUST 2021

	Net	2021		2020	
Fixed assets	Notes	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Tangible assets	11		1,461		1,543
Current assets					
Debtors	12	59		51	
Cash at bank and in hand		226		287	
		285		338	
Current liabilities				-	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one					
year	13	(140)		(138)	
		F			
Net current assets			145		200
Not poots analysis and a state 11 to 125					
Net assets excluding pension liability			1,606		1,743
Defined benefit pension scheme liability	17		(4.400)		
somed beliefit pension scheme nability	17		(1,490)		(1,056)
Total net assets			116		
1014000			116		687
Funds of the Academy Trust:					-
Restricted funds	15				
Fixed asset funds	.0		1,462		1,544
Restricted income funds			1,402		36
Pension reserve			(1,490)		(1,056)
					(1,000)
Total restricted funds		0	(28)		524
Unrestricted income funds	15		144		163
Total funds			116		687

The Financial Statements on pages 20 to 43 were approved by the Trustees and authorised for issue on 07 December 2021 and are signed on their behalf by:

A Broadberry

Chair of Trustees

Company Number 08085808

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

		2021		2020	
	Notes	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Cash flows from operating activities  Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities	18		(69)		54
Cash flows from investing activities Capital grants from DfE Group Purchase of tangible fixed assets		. 8		9 (40)	
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing	activities		8	· ·	(31)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period	1		(61)		23
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the	he year		287		264
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the	year		226		287
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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

## 1 Accounting policies

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

#### 1.1 Basis of preparation

The Financial Statements of the Academy Trust, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared under the historical 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 Financial Statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Academies Accounts Direction 2020 to 2021 issued by ESFA, the Charities Act 2011 and the Companies Act 2006.

## 1.2 Going concern

The Trustees assess whether the use of going concern is appropriate, ie whether there are any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the charitable company 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 Trust has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and there are no material uncertainties about the Academy Trust's ability to continue as a going concern. Thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the Financial Statements.

#### 1.3 Income

All incoming resources are recognised when the Academy Trust 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 period for which it is receivable, and any abatement in respect of the period is deducted from income and recognised as a liability.

Capital grants are recognised 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.

#### **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 period it is receivable and to the extent the Academy Trust has provided the goods or services.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

#### 1 Accounting policies

#### Donated fixed assets

Donated fixed assets are measured at fair value unless it is impractical to measure this reliably, in which case the cost of the item to the donor is used. The gain is recognised as income from donations and a corresponding amount is included in the appropriate fixed asset category and depreciated over the useful economic life in accordance with the Academy Trust's accounting policies.

## 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 are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

All resources expended are inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

#### Expenditure on raising funds

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

#### Charitable activities

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

#### 1.5 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Assets costing £5,000 or more per item 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 that require 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. Where tangible fixed assets have been acquired / funded by other income, the fixed asset fund is also credited. Depreciation on the relevant assets is charged directly to the restricted fixed asset fund in the Statement of Financial Activities.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets other than freehold land, at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset on a straight-line basis over its expected useful life, as follows:

Leasehold land and buildings Plant and machinery Computer equipment Fixtures, fittings & equipment Motor vehicles

125 years straight line 10 years straight line 3 years straight line 7 years straight line 10 years straight line

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

## 1 Accounting policies

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

#### 1.6 Liabilities

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

#### 1.7 Leased assets

Rentals under operating leases are charged on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

#### 1.8 Financial instruments

The Academy Trust only holds basic financial instruments as defined in FRS 102. The financial assets and financial liabilities of the Academy Trust and their measurement basis are as follows.

#### Financial assets

Trade and other debtors are basic financial instruments and are debt instruments measured at amortised cost. 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. Taxation and social security are not included in the financial instruments disclosure definition.

Deferred income is not deemed to be a financial liability, as the cash settlement has already taken place and there is an obligation to deliver services rather than cash or another financial instrument.

### 1.9 Taxation

The Academy Trust 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 Trust is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by chapter 3 part 11 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.

## 1.10 Pensions benefits

Retirement benefits to employees of the Academy Trust are provided by the Teachers' Pension Scheme (TPS') and the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS'). These are defined benefit schemes and the assets and the liabilities are held separately from those of the Academy Trust.

The TPS is an unfunded scheme and contributions are calculated to spread the cost of pensions over employees' working lives with the Academy Trust 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 based on quadrennial valuations using a prospective unit credit method. The TPS is an unfunded multi-employer scheme with no underlying assets to assign between employers. Consequently, the TPS is treated as a defined contribution scheme for accounting purposes and the contributions are recognised in the period to which they relate.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

## 1 Accounting policies

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 net income or expenditure 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.

#### 1.11 Fund accounting

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

Restricted fixed asset funds are resources which are to be applied to specific capital purposes imposed by 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.

## 2 Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement

Accounting estimates and judgements 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 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 17, will impact the carrying amount of the pension liability. Furthermore, a roll forward approach which projects results from the latest full actuarial valuation performed at 31 March 2019 has been used by the actuary in valuing the pensions liability at 31 August 2021. Any differences between the figures derived from the roll forward approach and a full actuarial valuation would impact on the carrying amount of the pension liability.

## Critical areas of judgement

In preparing these Financial Statements, the Trustees have not needed to exercise any subjective judgements that would be critical to the Academy Trust's Financial Statements.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Donations and capital grants				
-	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	funds	funds	2021	2020
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Capital grants	<b>12</b> (	8	8	9
Other donations	:50	17	17	18
		\$ <del></del> 3	-	:(
	± <u>u</u> /	25	25	27
Funding for the Academy Trust's educations	al operations			
				Restated
	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total	Total
	funds	funds	2021	2020
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
DfE / ESFA grants				
General annual grant (GAG)	-	1,687	1,687	1,666
Other DfE / ESFA grants:				
- UIFSM	-	55	55	57
- Pupil premium		89	89	99
- Others	9	105	105	107
	-			8
	¥	1,936	1,936	1,929
Other government grants				
Local authority grants		80	80	50
		-		
COVID-19 additional funding (DfE / ESFA)				
Catch-up premium	*	29	29	5
COVID-19 additional funding (non-DfE / ESFA)				
Coronavirus job retention scheme grant		6	6	1
Other COVID-19 funding	-	7	7	'
ŭ	-			
	_	42	42	4
		72		
Other funding			-	-
Catering income	41	_	41	21
Other incoming resources	12	2	14	31
			14	13
	53	2	55	44
				44
				N .
Total funding	53	2,060	2,113	2,024
		~.000	E. 1 141	2.024

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

## 4 Funding for the Academy Trust's educational operations

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

The Academy Trust has been eligible to claim additional funding in the year from government support schemes in response to the Coronavirus outbreak. The funding received is shown above under "COVID-19 additional funding".

- The funding received for coronavirus exceptional support covers £29k of catch-up premium and £7k of FSM costs. These costs are included in notes 6 and 7 below as appropriate.
- The Academy Trust furloughed some of its breakfast and after school club staff under the government's Coronavirus job retention scheme. The funding received of £6k relates to staff costs in respect of 8 staff, which are included within note 8 below as appropriate.

Other trading activities		Unrestricted funds £'000	Restricted funds £'000	Total 2021 £'000	Restated Total 2020 £'000
Hire of facilities		14		14	12
			: <b>=</b> :	1	3
-			· ·	98	96
-				2	3
				(	
		115		115	114
					-
Expenditure	Staff costs	Premises	Other	Total 2021 £'000	Restated Total 2020 £'000
Expenditure on raising funds					45
	87	9	16	112	15
- Direct costs	1,468	16	77	1,561	1,503
- Allocated support costs	548	184	151	883	871
	2,103	209	244	2,556	2,389
	Hire of facilities Catering income Special Facilities Other income - revenue  Expenditure  Expenditure  Expenditure on raising funds - Direct costs Academy's educational operations - Direct costs	Hire of facilities Catering income Special Facilities Other income - revenue  Expenditure  Staff costs £'000  Expenditure on raising funds - Direct costs Academy's educational operations - Direct costs - Allocated support costs 548	Hire of facilities Catering income Special Facilities Other income - revenue  Expenditure  Staff costs £'000  Expenditure on raising funds - Direct costs Academy's educational operations - Direct costs - Direct costs - Allocated support costs  Unrestricted funds  £'000  Non-pay Premises £'000  Fremises £'000  Academy's educational operations - Direct costs - Allocated support costs - 548 - Allocated support costs	Unrestricted funds £'000 £'000	Unrestricted   Restricted   Funds   2021

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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c	Even and Maria		
6	Expenditure		Restated
	Net income/(expenditure) for the year includes:	2021	2020
		£'000	£'000
	Fees payable to auditor for:		
	- Audit	6	6
	- Other services	4	3
	Operating lease rentals	5	7
	Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	82	01
	Net interest on defined benefit pension liability		91
	The state of the second period in period in the period in	19	17
			-
	Included within expenditure are the following transactions:		
		2021	
		£	
	Gifts made by the Academy Trust - total	234	

Clarification - While the majority of disclosure in these accounts are rounded to £'000, disclosure of gifts made and unrecoverable debts are not. The value of gifts made for the year was £234 (and not £234k).

7	Charitable activities	Unrestricted funds £'000	Restricted funds £'000	Total 2021 £'000	Restated Total 2020 £'000
	Direct costs				
	Educational operations	76	1,485	1,561	1,503
	Support costs				
	Educational operations	<del>.</del>	883	883	871
				/ <del></del>	3
		76	2,368	2,444	2,374
			<del></del>		U
					Restated
	Analysis of costs			2021	Restated 2020
	Analysis of costs			2021 £'000	2020
	Analysis of costs  Direct costs				
	Direct costs Teaching and educational support staff costs			£'000	2020 £'000
	Direct costs Teaching and educational support staff costs Staff development				2020
	Direct costs Teaching and educational support staff costs Staff development Depreciation			<b>£'000</b> 1,468	<b>2020 £'000</b> 1,366
	Direct costs Teaching and educational support staff costs Staff development Depreciation Educational supplies and services			<b>£'000</b> 1,468 5	2020 £'000 1,366 7
	Direct costs Teaching and educational support staff costs Staff development Depreciation Educational supplies and services Educational consultancy			£'000 1,468 5 16	<b>2020</b> <b>£'000</b> 1,366 7 72
	Direct costs Teaching and educational support staff costs Staff development Depreciation Educational supplies and services			£'000 1,468 5 16 31	2020 £'000 1,366 7 72 17
	Direct costs Teaching and educational support staff costs Staff development Depreciation Educational supplies and services Educational consultancy			£'000 1,468 5 16 31 21	2020 £'000 1,366 7 72 17 20
	Direct costs Teaching and educational support staff costs Staff development Depreciation Educational supplies and services Educational consultancy			£'000 1,468 5 16 31 21	2020 £'000 1,366 7 72 17 20

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

7	Charitable activities		Restated
	Support costs		
	Support staff costs	401	450
	Defined benefit pension scheme - staff costs (FRS102 adjustment)	147	144
	Depreciation	66	19
	Technology costs	28	24
	Maintenance of premises and equipment	22	27
	Cleaning	34	35
	Energy costs	26	26
	Rent, rates and other occupancy costs	24	23
	Insurance	8	8
	Security and transport	9	5
	Catering	48	40
	Defined benefit pension scheme - finance costs (FRS102 adjustment)	19	17
	Other support costs	41	43
	Governance costs	10	10
		883	871
		H=====================================	
8	Staff		
	Ole Warrate		
	Staff costs		
	Staff costs during the year were:	2021	2020
		£'000	£'000
		2 000	2,000
	Wages and salaries	1,414	1,274
	Social security costs	124	111
	Pension costs	276	255
	Defined benefit pension scheme - staff costs (FRS102 adjustment)	147	144
			×
	Staff costs - employees	1,961	1,784
	Agency staff costs	113	185
	Staff restructuring costs	29	3 <b>=</b> 8
		-	<u> </u>
		2,103	1,969
		-	
	Staff restructuring costs comprise:		
	Redundancy payments	21	20
	Severance payments	8	<i>≅/</i> ,
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		29	-

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

## **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021**

### 8 Staff

#### Staff numbers

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

	2021	2020
	Number	Number
Teachers	17	15
Administration and support	43	45
Management	2	2
	62	62
The most of the second		
The number of persons employed, expressed as a full time equivalent, was as	s follows:	
	2021	2020
	Number	Number
Teachers	16	14
Administration and support	29	29
Management	29	29
	47	45

#### Higher paid staff

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

	2021 Number	2020 Number
£60,000 - £70,000	1	_
£70,001 - £80,000	-	1
£80,001 - £90,000	1	-

## Key management personnel

The key management personnel of the Academy Trust comprise the Trustees and the senior management team as listed on page 1. The total amount of key management personnel employee benefits (including employer pension contributions and employer national insurance contributions) received by key management personnel for their services to the Academy Trust was £257,374 (2020: £236,841).

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

#### 9 Trustees' remuneration and expenses

One or more of the Trustees has been paid remuneration or has received other benefits from an employment with the Academy Trust. 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, and not in respect of their services as Trustees.

The value of Trustees' remuneration and other benefits was as follows:

M Mantilas (Trustee and Deputy Head Teacher - to 31 August 2020):

- Remuneration: not appointed (2020: £70,000 £75,000)
- Employer's pension contributions: not appointed (2020: £15,000 £20,000)

C Quinton (known as C Vardis) (Head Teacher - appointed 1 September 2020):

- Remuneration: £80,000 £85,000 (2020: not appointed)
- Employer's pension contributions: £15,000 £20,000 (2020: £10,000 £15,000)

A Adrien (Staff Trustee an Deputy Head Teacher):

- Remuneration: £,60,000 £65,000 (2020: £55,000 £60,000)
- Employer's pension contributions: £10,000 £15,000 (2020: £10,000 £15,000)

E Loizou (Staff Trustee):

- Remuneration: £40,000 £45,000 (2020: £40,000 £45,000)
- Employer's pension contributions: £10,000 £15,000 (2020: £10,000 £15,000)

During the year, trustees expenses payments totalling £213 (2020: £128) were reimbursed or paid directly to 2 Trustees (2020: 2 Trustees). Expenses were incurred in performing the duties of employment.

Other related party transactions involving the Trustees are set out within the related parties note.

## 10 Trustees' and officers' insurance

The Academy Trust has opted into the Department for Education's Risk Protection Arrangement (RPA), an alternative to insurance where UK government funds cover losses that arise. This scheme protects Trustees and officers from claims arising from negligent acts, errors or omissions occurring whilst on Academy Trust business, and provides cover up to £10,000,000. It is not possible to quantify the Trustees and officers indemnity element from the overall cost of the RPA scheme.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

11	Tangible fixed assets						
		Leasehold land and buildings	Plant and machinery	Computer equipment	Fixtures, fittings & equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	Cost						
	At 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021	1,359	237	160	206	18	1,980
	Depreciation						
	At 1 September 2020	88	81	144	120	4	437
	Charge for the year	11	29	13	27	2	82
	At 31 August 2021	99	110	157	147	6	519
	No. (1)		-	-	? <del></del>	10	-
	Net book value						
	At 31 August 2021	1,260	127	3	59	12	1,461
	At 31 August 2020	1,271	156	16	86	14	1,543
	Leasehold Land is included	d above at a no	ominal value o	f £1, reflecting	J legal restriction	ons as to its us	e.
12	Debtors						
						2021 £'000	2020 £'000
	Trade debtors VAT recoverable					2	3
	Prepayments and accrued	income				7	6
	repayments and assided	in oom o				50	42
						59	51 
13	Creditors: amounts falling	g due within d	one year				
						2021 £'000	2020 £'000
	Other taxation and social se	ecurity				30	27
	Accruals and deferred incor	me				110	111
						140	138
14	Deferred income						
						2021 £'000	2020 £'000
	Deferred income is included						
	Creditors due within one ye	ar				53	66

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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14	Deferred income		
	Deferred income at 1 September 2020	66	36
	Released from previous years	(66)	(36)
	Resources deferred in the year	53	66
	Deferred income at 31 August 2021	53	66
	= -1-11		

Deferred income of £53k (2020: £66k) relates to Universal Infant Free School Meals income received in advance of £33k (2020: £34k); Early Years funding income received in advance of £17k (2020: £23k); Dinner money income collected in advance of £2k (2020: £6k); and WAC income in advance of £1k (2020: £3k).

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

15	Funds					
		Balance at 1 September	_	_= _==	Gains, losses and	Balance at 31 August
		2020 £'000	Income £'000	Expenditure £'000	transfers £'000	2021 £'000
	Restricted general funds					2000
	General Annual Grant (GAG)	1 <u>2</u> 00	1,687	(1,695)	8	10=0
	UIFSM	-	55	(55)	:•:	:: :::
	Pupil premium	20	89	(109)	-	(*)
	Other DfE / ESFA grants	2	105	(107)		
	Catch-up premium	-	29	(29)	·	300
	Other government grants Coronavirus job retention	-	80	(80)	:=:	-
	scheme	<b>2</b> 0	6	(6)		35
	Other COVID-19 funding	-	7	(7)	;=:	: <u>.</u>
	Other restricted funds	14	19	(33)	(2)	025
	Pension reserve	(1,056)		(166)	(268)	(1,490)
		(1,020)	2,077	(2,287)	(260)	(1,490)
	Restricted fixed asset funds					
	Inherited on conversion	1,124	) <del>*</del> 2	(10)	5 <del>4</del> 5	1,114
	DfE group capital grants Capital expenditure from GAG	211	8	(21)	(8)	190
	and other funds Private sector capital	117	=	(32)	=	85
	sponsorship	92		(19)		73
		1,544		(82)	(8)	1,462
	Total restricted funds	524	2,085	(2,369)	(268)	(28)
	Unrestricted funds					1.
	General funds	163 ———	168	(187)	-	144
	Total funds	687	2,253	(2,556)	(268)	116

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

#### 15 Funds

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

The Restricted General Funds are used to fund the general operating costs of the Academy.

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

The Restricted LGPS Fund represents the Academy's share of the LGPS Pension Fund deficit.

The Restricted Fixed Asset Fund represents the net book value of fixed assets £1,461k (2020: £1,543k), plus any unspent element of Capital funds for 2021 - £1k (2020: £1k). When capital income is received the fund increases and depreciation charged against assets reduces the fund.

Unrestricted Funds represent balances held at period end that can be applied at the discretion of the Governors, to support any of the Academy's charitable purposes.

## Comparative information in respect of the preceding period is as follows:

	Balance at 1 September 2019 £'000	Income £'000	Expenditure £'000	Gains, losses and transfers £'000	Balance at 31 August 2020 £'000
Restricted general funds					
General Annual Grant (GAG)	*	1,666	(1,652)	(14)	·=
Pupil premium	<u> </u>	99	(79)	3 <b>=</b> 0	20
Other DfE / ESFA grants	#	164	(162)	•	2
Other government grants	-	51	(51)	:•:	-
Other restricted funds	≘	18	(4)	: <b>*</b>	14
Pension reserve	(846)		(161)	(49)	(1,056)
e e	(846)	1,998	(2,109)	(63)	(1,020)
Restricted fixed asset funds					
Transfer on conversion	1,134	<b>*</b>	(10)	-	1,124
DfE group capital grants	224	9	(22)	**	211
Capital expenditure from GAG					
and other funds	143	~	(40)	14	117
Private sector capital					••
sponsorship	111		(19)	: <del>-</del> 2	92
	4.040		(01)	14	1,544
	1,612	9	(91)	===	1,544
Total restricted funds	766	2,007	(2,200)	(49)	524
Unrestricted funds					
General funds	194	158	(189)	187	163
			-		
Total funds	960	2,165	(2,389)	(49)	687
10001101100	===	===	(2,555)		

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

6 Analysis of net assets between fund		_		
	Unrestricted		tricted funds:	Total
	Funds	General	Fixed asset	Funds
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Fund balances at 31 August 2021 are represented by:				
Tangible fixed assets	% <b>=</b> 8	92	1,461	1,461
Current assets	151	133	1	285
Creditors falling due within one year	(7)	(133)		(140)
Defined benefit pension liability	\.\.\.\.\.\.\.\.\.\.\.\.\.\.\.\.\.\.\.	(1,490)	_	(1,490)
	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	(1,100)		(1,490)
Total net assets	144	(1,490)	1,462	116
		(1,100)		
	Unrestricted	Resi	ricted funds:	Total
	Funds	General	Fixed asset	Funds
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Fund balances at 31 August 2020 are represented by:			2000	2 000
Tangible fixed assets	9-0	-	1,543	1,543
Current assets	163	174	1,010	338
Creditors falling due within one year		(138)		(138)
Defined benefit pension liability	(*)	(1,056)	-	(1,056)
	i <del></del> /	(1,000)		(1,000)
Total net assets	163	(1,020)	1,544	687
	<b>——</b> )		-,	

### 17 Pension and similar obligations

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

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

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

#### **Teachers' Pension Scheme**

## Introduction

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

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

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

#### 17 Pension and similar obligations

#### Valuation of the Teachers' Pension Scheme

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

The key elements of the valuation and subsequent consultation are:

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

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

The employer's pension costs paid to the TPS in the period amounted to £171k (2020: £153k).

A copy of the valuation report and supporting documentation is on the Teachers' Pensions website.

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

#### **Local Government Pension Scheme**

The LGPS is a funded defined benefit pension scheme, with the assets held in separate trustee-administered funds. The total contributions are as noted below. The agreed contribution rates for future years are 19.20% for employers and 5.71% for employees.

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

Total contributions made	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Employer's contributions Employees' contributions	107 30	102 29
Total contributions	137	131

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Rate of increase in salaries       2.9       2.2         Rate of increase for pensions in payment/inflation       2.9       2.2         Discount rate for scheme liabilities       1.65       1.7         CPI Inflation       2.9       2.2         The current mortality assumptions include sufficient allowance for future improvements in mortality rates. The assumed life expectations on retirement age 65 are:       2021       2020         Retiring today       Years       Years       Years         Increase Retiring to 20 years       22.1       21.9       21.9         Increase Retiring in 20 years       23.0       22.5       25.3         Scheme liabilities would have been affected by changes in assumptions as follows:       2021       2020         Discount rate -0.1% (2020: -0.5%)       72       282         Salary Increase Rate +0.1% (2020: +0.5%)       4       24         Pensions Rate +0.1% (2020: +0.5%)       67       256         Defined benefit pension scheme net liability       2021       2020         Scheme assets       1,636       1,294         Scheme obligations       (3,126)       (2,350	Pension and similar obligations		
Rate of increase in salaries       2.9       2.2         Rate of increase for pensions in payment/inflation       2.9       2.2         Discount rate for scheme liabilities       1.65       1.7         CPI Inflation       2.9       2.2         The current mortality assumptions include sufficient allowance for future improvements in mortality rates. The assumed life expectations on retirement age 65 are:       2021       2020         Retiring today       Years       Years       Years         Retiring today       22.1       21.9         - Females       22.1       21.9         Retiring in 20 years       23.0       22.5         - Females       23.0       22.5         Scheme liabilities would have been affected by changes in assumptions as follows:         Scheme liabilities would have been affected by changes in assumptions as follows:         Discount rate -0.1% (2020: -0.5%)       72       282         Salary Increase Rate +0.1% (2020: +0.5%)       4       24         Pensions Rate +0.1% (2020: +0.5%)       67       256         Defined benefit pension scheme net liability       2021       2020         Scheme assets       1,636       1,294         Scheme obligations       (3,126)       (2,350	Principal actuarial assumptions	2021	2020
Rate of increase for pensions in payment/inflation       2.9       2.2         Discount rate for scheme liabilities       1.65       1.7         CPI Inflation       2.9       2.2         The current mortality assumptions include sufficient allowance for future improvements in mortality rates. The assumed life expectations on retirement age 65 are:       2021       2020         Retiring today       Years       Years       Years         Retiring today       22.1       21.9       24.3       23.9         Retiring in 20 years       24.3       23.0       22.5       25.3         Retiring in 20 years       23.0       22.5       25.3         - Females       23.0       22.5       25.3         Scheme liabilities would have been affected by changes in assumptions as follows:       2021       2020         Discount rate -0.1% (2020: -0.5%)       72       282         Salary Increase Rate +0.1% (2020: +0.5%)       72       282         Pensions Rate +0.1% (2020: +0.5%)       67       259         Defined benefit pension scheme net liability       2021       2020         Scheme assets       1,636       1,294         Scheme obligations       (3,126)       (2,350		%	%
Rate of increase for pensions in payment/inflation         2.9         2.2           Discount rate for scheme liabilities         1.65         1.7           CPI Inflation         2.9         2.2           The current mortality assumptions include sufficient allowance for future improvements in mortality rates. The assumed life expectations on retirement age 65 are:           Years         Years         Years           Retiring today         22.1         21.9           - Males         22.1         21.9           - Females         23.0         22.5           Retiring in 20 years         23.0         22.5           - Males         23.0         22.5           - Females         23.0         22.5           Scheme liabilities would have been affected by changes in assumptions as follows:         2021         2020           Discount rate -0.1% (2020: -0.5%)         72         282           Salary Increase Rate +0.1% (2020: +0.5%)         4         24           Pensions Rate +0.1% (2020: +0.5%)         67         258           Defined benefit pension scheme net liability         2021         2020           Scheme assets         1,636         1,294           Scheme obligations         (3,126)         (2,350     <	Rate of increase in salaries	29	22
Discount rate for scheme liabilities	Rate of increase for pensions in payment/inflation		
CPI Inflation   2.9   2.2   2.3			
The current mortality assumptions include sufficient allowance for future improvements in mortality rates. The assumed life expectations on retirement age 65 are:    2021   2020     Years   Years	CPI Inflation		
2021   2020   Years   Years   Retiring today   - Males   22.1   21.5   22.5   24.3   23.5   23.5   24.5   25.5			
Retiring today         Years         Years           - Males         22.1         21.9           - Females         24.3         23.9           Retiring in 20 years         23.0         22.5           - Males         23.0         25.3           - Females         26.0         25.3           Scheme liabilities would have been affected by changes in assumptions as follows:         2021         2020           Discount rate -0.1% (2020: -0.5%)         72         282         282           Salary Increase Rate +0.1% (2020: +0.5%)         4         24         24           Pensions Rate +0.1% (2020: +0.5%)         67         259           Defined benefit pension scheme net liability         2021         2020         £'000           Scheme assets         1,636         1,294           Scheme obligations         (3,126)         (2,350	The current mortality assumptions include sufficient allowance for futuassumed life expectations on retirement age 65 are:	ure improvements in mortality	rates. The
Retiring today - Males - Females - Females - Females - Males - Females - Males - Mal		2021	2020
- Males		Years	Years
Pemales			
Retiring in 20 years - Males - Females  Scheme liabilities would have been affected by changes in assumptions as follows:    2021   2020		22.1	21.9
- Males - Females  - Females  - Females  - Females  - Scheme liabilities would have been affected by changes in assumptions as follows:  - Countrate - 0.1% (2020: - 0.5%)  - Countrate - 0.1% (2020: - 0.5%)  - Countrate - 0.1% (2020: + 0.5%)  - Countrate - 0.1%		24.3	23.9
23.0   22.6   26.0   25.3   26.0   25.3   26.0   25.3   26.0   25.3   26.0   25.3   26.0   25.3   26.0   25.3   26.0   25.3   26.0   25.3   26.0   25.3   26.0	7 7		
Scheme liabilities would have been affected by changes in assumptions as follows:   2021   2020		23.0	22.5
Discount rate -0.1% (2020: -0.5%)   72   282   Salary Increase Rate +0.1% (2020: +0.5%)   4   24   Pensions Rate +0.1% (2020: +0.5%)   67   259     Defined benefit pension scheme net liability   2021   2020   £'000     Scheme assets   1,636   1,294   Scheme obligations   (3,126)   (2,350)   (2,350)	- Females	26.0	25.3
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	Net liability	(1,490)	(1,056)

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

17	Pension and similar obligations		
	The Academy Trust's share of the assets in the scheme	2021 Fair value £'000	2020 Fair value £'000
	Equities	1,096	828
	Bonds	311	285
	Cash	33	13
	Property	196	168
	Total market value of assets	1,636	1,294
	The actual return on scheme assets was £240,000 (2020: £49,000).		
	Amount recognised in the statement of financial activities	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
	Current service cost	254	244
	Past service cost	-	2
	Interest income	(23)	(22)
	Interest cost	42	39
	Total operating charge	273	263
	Changes in the present value of defined benefit obligations		2021 £'000
			2.000
	At 1 September 2020		2,350
	Current service cost		254
	Interest cost		42
	Employee contributions		30
	Actuarial loss		485
	Benefits paid		(35)
	At 31 August 2021		3,126

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

17	Pension and similar obligations		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	Changes in the fair value of the Academy Trust's share of scheme assets		
			2021 £'000
	At 1 September 2020		1,294
	Interest income		23
	Actuarial (gain)/loss Employer contributions		217
	Employee contributions		107
	Benefits paid		30
			(35)
	At 31 August 2021		1,636
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18	Reconciliation of net expenditure to net cash flow from operating activities		
		2021	2020
		£'000	£'000
	Net expenditure for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial		
	activities)	(303)	(224)
	Adjusted for:		
	Capital grants from DfE and other capital income	(8)	(9)
	Defined benefit pension costs less contributions payable	147	144
	Defined benefit pension scheme finance cost	19	17
	Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	82	91
	(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(8)	20
	Increase in creditors	2	15
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	Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities	(69)	54
19	Analysis of changes in net funds		
	1 September	Cash flows	31 August
	2020		2021
	£'000	£'000	£'000
	Cash 287	(61)	226
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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

## FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

## 20 Long-term commitments, including operating leases

At 31 August 2021 the total of the Academy Trust's future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases was:

	2021 £'000	2020 £'000
Amounts due in two and five years	6 5	5 6
	11	11

## 21 Related party transactions

Owing to the nature of the Academy Trust and the composition of the Board of Trustees being drawn from local public and private sector organisations, transactions may take place with organisations in which the Trustees have an interest. The following related party transactions took place in the financial period.

A Clarke (teacher) and B Benson (holiday club assistant) close family members of A Adrien, a staff trustee, are employed by the academy trust. Their appointments were made in open competition and A Adrien was not involved in the decision making process regarding their appointment. A Clarke and B Benson are paid within the normal pay scale for their role and receive no special treatment as a result of their relationship to a trustee.

## 22 Members' liability

Each member of the charitable company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company in the event of it being wound up while he or she is a member, or within one year after he or she ceases to be a member, such amount as may be required, not exceeding £10 for the debts and liabilities contracted before he or she ceases to be a member.

#### 23 Prior year adjustment

Allocation of income and expenditure to appropriate headings was considered following the reclassifications in the Academies Accounts Direction 2020/2021 and the ESFA chart of accounts. The allocation of income and expenditure in the prior year has been amended in order for the two years to be comparable. There was no impact on the reported surplus for the year, reserves at year end or on any balance sheet items.