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ST PHILOMENA'S SCHOOL LIMITED

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Council of management Mrs J Geldard

Mrs E J McNulty Mrs S M Vincent (Resigned 28 February 2011)

Mrs S M Vincent
A W Davidson
Mrs A O'Sullivan
Sister McElwaine
Mrs P Green
Fr Michael Stokes
Mrs M Fuller
Dr J Geldard

Mrs S A Wright
Mr E Baker-Wells
Mrs E Cank

(Appointed 4 May 2011) (Appointed 25 February 2011) (Appointed 28 February 2011)

Company secretary

Post currently vacant

Registered office

St Philomena's School

Hadleigh Road Frinton on Sea

Essex CO13 9HQ

Registered company

number

02071112

Registered charity number

298635

Bankers

HSBC Bank

63 Connaught Avenue

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Essex CO13 9PP

Auditors

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Chartered Accountants & Statutory Auditors

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REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT AS DIRECTORS OF THE COMPANY

The Council of Management (who are also the directors as required by S417 of the Companies Act 2006) present their annual report with the financial statements of the charity for the year to 31 August 2011

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association, dated 27 January 1988, and the recommendations of the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities issued in 2005 and comply with applicable law

The charity is registered with the Charity Commissioners under No 298635 and with the Registrar of Companies, as a company limited by guarantee, under No 02071112

Objectives and activities

The charity's objective is to promote and provide the advancement of education. The charity, in furtherance of its principal charitable objective, operates the Convent School, known as St Philomena's which activity was previously carried on by the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy at Hadleigh Road, Frinton-on-Sea

In setting out the school's objectives the Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit. In doing so the Trustees have complied with their duties in this area as set out in Section 4 of the Charities Act 2006.

Operational review, achievement and performance

The Council of Management considers that the operations have been successfully managed during the year. A summary of the year's financial operations is given on page 9 of the financial statements. The assets of the charity are sufficient to fulfil its obligations.

In the year under review the charity recorded a deficit of £11,566, which arose principally from a decline in the pupil role to 110 compared with 120 in the previous year. Resources expended in the year decreased by 7.9%

During the course of the academic year 2010/2011, the Board regularly reviewed performance against the various goals set out in the five year School Development Plan to 2012

The past year continued to be a difficult one because of the economic climate The school roll fell during the year and the Governors have put plans in place, both to increase pupil numbers and to control expenditure. This included making a reduction in staffing costs. Governors have also continued to develop the new marketing strategy. Mrs McKeown was appointed headteacher and commenced in post at the beginning of the summer term 2011. Pupil numbers have already shown an increase.

Internal decoration of the premises continued over the summer holidays Alterations were made to office space to provide the headteacher with appropriate accommodation in Convent House

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT AS DIRECTORS OF THE COMPANY

St Philomena's School provides three fully funded bursaries These can be split into more partfunded bursaries St Philomena's also operates a discount system offering reductions to families where multiple children attend the school

The school offers its facilities to the local parish for no charge and during the summer holidays the hall has been used by a violin school for a week. The school also has a minibus which is provided to other groups in the local community for their use at no charge.

St Philomena's enjoys taking part in community concerts held at local churches and laying on performances at homes for elderly residents of Frinton. The pupils also participate in carol concerts for the local community. The school also operates a cross country event and invites other local state schools to participate.

The school has four charity representatives who are all pupils in year 6, these pupils take responsibility for organising events to raise money for charity. Funds raised by the charity representatives have been directed to Addenbrookes Hospital for care of children with cancer. The school is also a partner in the North East Essex Millennium Fund who raise money for education in South Africa.

Reserves

The reserves of the charity are used to fund the operations of the charity. The reserves stand at £151,593 which represents about 33 6% of the book value of the tangible fixed assets used in the charity's operations. An alternative is to consider the revenue and expenditure of the charity, the reserves represent about 3 months' outgoings as shown on the Statement of Financial Activities on page 9 of the Financial Statements

Risk management

The charity operates a school for boys and girls aged 11 and under. The Council of Management and the staff of the school are fully aware of the requirements for the care of the pupils. Training courses are attended, professional publications are read and appropriate supervision is provided whilst the pupils are on the school premises or on school organised activities. The level of safety and security is reviewed regularly.

Financial risk is subject to conclusions drawn from demographic projections, cash flow analysis bolstered by a prudent policy on reserves

Fundraising

The work put in by those connected with the school on fundraising is acknowledged with thanks

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT AS DIRECTORS OF THE COMPANY

Council of Management

The Council of Management during the year under review has comprised

Mrs J Geldard Mrs S M Vincent Mrs E J McNultv

(Resigned 28 February 2011)

Mrs P Green A W Davidson Mrs A O'Sullivan Sister McElwaine Fr Michael Stokes Mrs M Fuller

Dr J A F Geldard Mrs S A Wright Mr E Baker-Wells

Mrs E Cank

(Appointed 4 May 2011) (Appointed 25 February 2011) (Appointed 28 February 2011)

Members of the Association are either co-opted during the course of the year or invited annually to stand for election to the Council of Management. Membership is confirmed by simple majority vote at the Annual General Meeting. In accordance with the Articles of Association, one third of the members of the Council are required to retire by rotation and seek re-election.

Two members of staff, the deputy head and one other are invited to attend Council of Management meetings

All new members of the Council of Management have access to a Governor's Manual that sets out all the policies and procedures of the school and details the obligations, expectations and conduct of all members of the Council New members are also required to attend an induction course Governors have completed courses run by AGBIS Some governors have also successfully completed Safer Recruitment training

The Council of Management and other people concerned with the well being of the School give their time at no cost to the School and to events connected therewith. Insurance cover exists to cover the legal liability of the members of the Council of Management.

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT AS DIRECTORS OF THE COMPANY

Council of Management's responsibilities for the financial statements

The Council of Management (who are also directors of St Philomena's School Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Council of Management and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

Company law require the Council of Management to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period In preparing those financial statements, the Council of Management is required to

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

The Council of Management is responsible for keeping proper accounting records which 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 It is 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 Council of Management confirm that so far as they are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware. They have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as the Council of Management in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charitable company's auditors are aware of that information

Auditors

Scrutton Bland have signified their willingness to continue in office as auditors and a resolution re-appointing them will be submitted to the Annual Meeting in accordance with Section 487 of the Companies Act 2006

REPORT OF THE COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT AS DIRECTORS OF THE COMPANY

Accounting exemptions

Advantage is taken in the preparation of the Council of Management report of the special provisions contained in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006, relating to small companies

Signed by order of the Council

Mrs J Geldard

Chairman of Council of Management

Approved by the Council of Management on 01 - 12 -2011

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ST PHILOMENA'S SCHOOL LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements of St Philomena's School Limited for the year ended 31 August 2011 on pages 9 to 18 The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice)

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

Respective responsibilities of Council of Management and auditors

As explained more fully in the report of the Council of Management, (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view

Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charitable company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed, the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Council of Management, and the overall presentation of the financial statements.

Opinion on financial statements

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 2011 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended,
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, and
- > have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the report of the Council of Management for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF ST PHILOMENA'S SCHOOL LIMITED

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where 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, or
- > The Council of Management were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small company regime and take advantage of the small companies exemption in preparing the Council of Management's Annual Report

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MR TIMOTHY O'CONNOR (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of SCRUTTON BLAND Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors 820 The Crescent Colchester Business Park Colchester Essex CO4 9YQ

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (incorporating an INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT) YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2011

| | Notes | Unrestricted funds 2011 | Total funds 2010 £ |
|---|--------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Incoming resources | | | |
| Incoming resources from charitable activities | | =15.551 | |
| Term fees | | 519,981 | 602,444 |
| Pupil extras | | 36,990 | 43,124 |
| | | 556,971 | 645,568 |
| Incoming resources from generated funds | | • | • |
| Activities for generating funds | | 3,431 | 2,863 |
| Donations | | - | 23,140 |
| Other incoming resources | | 4,957 | 2,474 |
| Total incoming resources | | 565,359 | 674,045 |
| Resources expended | | | |
| Charitable activities | 3 | 568,730 | 618,968 |
| Cost of generating funds | 4 5 | 130 | 118 |
| Governance costs | 5 | 8,065 | 7,206 |
| Total resources expended | | 576,925 | 626,292 |
| Net (outgoing)/incoming resources (net (expenditure)/income for the year) | | (11,566) | 47,753 |
| Funds brought forward | | 163,159 | 115,406 |
| Funds carried forward | | £ 151,593 | £ 163,159 |

Continuing operations

All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities

Total recognised gains and losses

The company has no recognised gains or losses other than those shown above

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 AUGUST 2011

| | Notes | 2011 £ | 2010 £ |
|--|-------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Tangible fixed assets | 6 | 450,748 | 463,729 |
| Current assets Stock – books Stock – consumable Debtors and prepayments Fund raising bank account Cash in hand | 7 | 2,000 361 20,624 683 53 | 2,000 361 28,326 2,238 3,862 |
| Ourse tiphulising | | 23,721 | 36,787 |
| Current liabilities Creditors: amounts falling due within one year | 8(a) | (175,998) | (162,646) |
| Net current (liabilities) | | (152,277) | (125,859) |
| Total assets less current liabilities | | 298,471 | 337,870 |
| Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year Long term bank loan | 8(b) | (146,878) | (174,711) |
| Net assets | | £ 151,593 | £ 163,159 |
| Financed by: | | | |
| Income and expenditure account Unrestricted funds | | £ 151,593 | £ 163,159 |

Advantage is taken in the preparation of the financial statements of the special provisions contained in Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006, relating to small companies In the Council of Management's opinion the company is entitled to those exemptions as a small company

The financial statements were approved by the Council of Management on 01-12-2011

Mrs J Geldard

Chairman of Council of Management

Dr J A F Geldard

Member of Council of Management

Company registration number 02071112

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2011

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards and the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in March 2005 and the Companies Act 2006

b) Fees receivable

Fees receivable represent income arising from the operation of the school, including charges for extras, based on the termly pupil roll

c) Tangible fixed assets

Capitalisation is on the basis of cost in excess of £500

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates to write off each asset over its estimated useful life

Freehold buildings and improvements - 2% straight line
Equipment, fixtures and fittings - 15% reducing balance
School computer - 20% straight line

Classroom IT equipment - 20% straight line
Minibus - 20% straight line

d) Stock

Consumable stock is valued at the lower of cost or economic use to the school

Stock of books is an allocation of the payment to the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy for the school assets and remains a constant item with all subsequent purchases being charged to revenue

e) Gifts and donations

These are accounted as received and include gifts and subsidies in kind accounted at value to the school. These include net fund raising receipts

f) Cash flow

The financial statements do not include a cash flow statement because the company, as a small reporting entity, is exempt from the requirement to prepare such a statement under Financial Reporting Standard 1 "Cash flow Statements"

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2011

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES – (continued)

g) Operating leases

The charges for the use of office equipment are accounted for on a straight line basis over the term of the lease

h) Grants

Nursery education scheme funding is recognised during the year to which it relates

Other grants for specific purposes are accounted for when received and relevant expenditure of the grant is recognised when made

i) Expenditure

Costs are accounted for in the period to which they relate on the basis of costs of educating the children, administering the school, financing the school and costs arising from the existence of the charitable company

Governance costs relate to the general running of the school and include expenses such as audit costs

i) Taxatıon

The School is a charity within the meaning of the Charities Acts 1993 and 2006 and as such is a charity within the meaning of Part 11, Corporation Tax Act 2010 Accordingly the School is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or gains received within categories covered by Part 11, 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 to exclusively charitable purposes

k) Funds

The company only has one fund, which is unrestricted

I) Pensions

During the year to 31 August 2002 a Group Personal Pension Scheme was commenced. The scheme is a defined contribution scheme. The employer contributions of salary to each employee's scheme, the employee may make further contributions if wished. The costs are accounted as due

On 1 May 2009 the company joined the Teachers Pension scheme (TPS)

Full time and part time teaching staff employed under a contract of service are eligible to contribute to the Teachers' Pension Scheme (TPS). The TPS, a statutory, contributory, final salary scheme is administered by Capita Teachers Pensions on behalf of the Department for Education and Skills.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2011

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES - (continued)

I) Pensions (continued)

Under the definitions set out by Financial Reporting Standard (FRS) 17 Retirement Benefits, the TPS is a multi-employer pension scheme. The School is unable to identify its share of the underlying (notional) assets and liabilities of the scheme. Accordingly, the School has taken advantage of the exemption available in FRS 17.

m) Financial instruments

Financial instruments are classified and accounted for, according to the substance of the contractual arrangement, as either financial assets, financial liabilities or equity instruments. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the charity after deducting all its liabilities.

2 OPERATING COSTS

The surplus of expenditure over income is stated after charging

| | 2011 £ | 2010 £ |
|---|--|--|
| Rent of premises Depreciation Staff costs - Salaries - Social security costs - Pension Auditors' remuneration Office equipment rental | 12,690 12,981 327,847 23,698 22,704 4,950 13,086 | 15,000 14,815 348,134 24,981 25,857 5,150 12,144 |
| | | |

The average number of staff during the year was 23 (2010 26)

During the year no employee earned in excess of £60,000

No members of the Council of Management received remuneration or were reimbursed for expenses during the year

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2011

| 3 | RESOURCES EXPENDED ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES | 2011 £ | 2010 £ |
|---|--|---------------------------------------|------------------|
| | Bursaries and other fee discounts | 14,992 | 14,100 |
| | | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | |
| | Teaching salaries and self employed tutors Playground assistants | 372,784 4,049 | 373,847 5,327 |
| | Rent, rates and insurance | 28,903 | 30,829 |
| | Heat and light | 9,473 | 8,752 |
| | Textbooks | 3,013 | 833 |
| | Outings | 15,784 | 19,841 |
| | Travelling | 7,141 | 5,512 |
| | Supplies excluding textbooks | 3,647 | 5,125 |
| | Depreciation | 12,981 | 14,815 |
| | Repairs and renewals | 6,645 | 10,318 |
| | Non teaching wages | 24,834 | 19,798 |
| | Telephone | 2,379 | 2,189 |
| | Postage, stationery and advertising | 4,017 | 15,455 |
| | Staff welfare and cleaning | 12,945 | 12,760 |
| | Sundries | (6,403) | 7,063 |
| | Professional training and subscriptions | 2,597 | 4,030 |
| | Rent of office equipment | 14,651 | 14,758 |
| | Book-keeping | 8,549 | 13,473 |
| | Bank charges | 2,808 | 2,185 |
| | Bank loan interest | 7,723 | 7,744 |
| | Bad debt provision | 8,656 | 23,961 |
| | Human resources advisory costs | 6,471 | 6,151 |
| | After school club expenses | 91 | 102 |
| | | £ 568,730 | £ 618,968 |
| 4 | COST OF GENERATING FUNDS | 2011 | 2010 |
| | | 2011 | 2010 |
| | Fundraising costs | £ 130 | £ 118 |
| 5 | GOVERNANCE COSTS | | |
| J | GOVERNANCE COSTS | 2011 £ | 2010 £ |
| | Professional fees | 659 | A04 |
| | Audit and accountancy | 7,406 | 481 6,725 |
| | | £ 8,065 | £ 7,206 |
| | | | |

ST PHILOMENA'S SCHOOL LIMITED

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2011

7 FIXED ASSETS

| | Clover House | Capital Improvements to Clover House | Jubilee House £ | Capital improvements to Jubilee House | Minibus £ | Equipment fixtures and fittings | School computer £ | Bicycle shed £ | Total £ |
|---|-----------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| Cost At 1 September 2010 Additions | 122,374 | 55,745 | 330,970 | 52,962 | 22,325 | 40,620 | 34,847 | 7,912 | 667,755 |
| At 31 August 2011 | 122,374 | 55,745 | 330,970 | 52,962 | 22,325 | 40,620 | 34,847 | 7,912 | 667,755 |
| Depreciation | | | | | | | | | |
| At 1 September 2010 Charged in year | 34,317 2,448 | 16,571 1,115 | 51,298 6,620 | 7,800 | 22,325 | 29,334 | 34,847 | 7,534 | 204,026 12,981 |
| At 31 August 2011 | 36,765 | 17,686 | 57,918 | 8,859 | 22,325 | 30,915 | 34,847 | 7,692 | 217,007 |
| Written down value | | | | | | | | | |
| At 31 August 2011 | £ 85,609 | 23,059 | £ 273,052 | £ 44,103 | | 3,705 | cH | 2 220 | 2 450,748 |
| At 31 August 2010 | \$ 88,057 | £ 39,174 | £ 279,672 | £ 45,162 | G | £ 11,286 | | 8283 | £ 463,729 |

The fixed assets are all used for the charitable purposes of the company

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2011

| 7 | DEBTORS AND PREPAYMENTS | 2011 £ | 2010 £ |
|---|--|---|--|
| | Outstanding fees Prepayments | 15,564 5,060 | 26,151 2,175 |
| | | £ 20,624 | £ 28,326 |
| 8 | CREDITORS | 2011 £ | 2010 £ |
| | Bank loans Bank overdrafts Trade creditors Accruals Social security and other taxes Receipts in advance Parents held deposits Fundraising creditor | 35,704 61,247 10,020 8,414 10,227 27,066 22,000 1,320 £ 175,998 | 39,317 594 14,299 13,989 6,797 56,095 30,000 1,555 £ 162,646 |
| | b) Due after more than one year but less than five Bank loans Due between five and ten years | 142,817 | 150,035 |
| | Bank loans | £ 146,878 | 24,676 £ 174,711 |

The bank loans are repayable by instalments. On the loans to finance property, interest is charged monthly at 2 75% over base rate and is paid by instalments. The bank loan and overdraft is secured by mortgages on Clover and Jubilee Houses. They are further secured by a fixed charge over book debts and a floating charge over all other assets.

It is expected that the property loans will finally be cleared in about ten years time – the allocation of the time scale of the debt on the balance sheet relates solely to the existing cash flow commitment

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2011

9 SHARE CAPITAL

The company does not have a share capital and is limited by guarantee of the members with individual liabilities of $\mathfrak{L}1$

10 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year no money was spent with companies with which members of the Council of Management are connected

Children of members of Council of Management attend the school on normal terms

11 OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

There are commitments to pay the following annually on leases with less than five years to run

| | 2011 | 2010 |
|--|----------|----------|
| Office equipment rentals | £ 11,844 | £ 12,688 |
| And on leases with more than five years to run | | |
| Rent of premises | £ 15,000 | £ 15,000 |

12 PENSION COMMITMENTS

At 31 August 2011 the annual pension commitment was £22,704 (2010 £25,857) Included in social security and other taxes is an amount of £3,168 in relation to accrued pension contributions (2010 £Nil)

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2011

13 TEACHERS' PENSION SCHEME

The TPS is an unfunded scheme. Contributions on a 'pay-as-you-go' basis are credited to the exchequer under arrangements governed by the Superannuation Act 1972. Actuarial valuations are carried out on a notional set of investments.

Under the definitions set out in Financial Reporting Standard (FRS) 17 Retirement Benefits, the TPS is a multi-employer pension scheme. St Philomena's School Limited is unable to identify its share of the underlying (notional) assets and liabilities of the scheme Accordingly, St Philomena's School Limited has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS 17 and has accounted for its contributions to the scheme as if it were a defined contributions scheme. St Philomena's School Limited has set out below the information available on the scheme and the implications for the School in terms of the anticipated contribution rates.

The pensions cost is assessed every three years in accordance with the advice of the government actuary. The assumptions and other data that have the most significant effect on the determination of the contribution levels are as follows.

| Latest actuarial valuation Actuarial method | 31 March 2004 prospective benefits |
|--|------------------------------------|
| Investment returns per annum | 6.5% |
| Salary scale increases per annum | 5 0% |
| Pension increase per annum | 2 8% |
| Value of notional assets at date of last valuation (the Account) (estimated future contributions together with notional | |
| investments held at 31 March 2004) | £162,650 million |
| Value of notional liabilities at date of last valuation (pensions | 04 04 400 million |
| currently in payment and the estimated future costs of benefits | £164,490 million |
| Balance of Scheme assets and liabilities at 31 March 2004 | £(1,840) million |
| Proportion of members' accrued benefits covered by the | 98 88% |
| notional value of the assets | 90 00 /6 |

The total in the Account as at 31 March 2004 has been determined as the difference between the scheme liabilities and the value of future scheme contributions. From that date the Account will be credited with a rate of return which is equivalent to it assuming that the balance in the Account is invested in notional investments producing that rate of return

Following the implementation of the Teacher's Pension (Employer's Supplementary Contributions) Regulations 2000, the Government Actuary carried out a further review on the level of employer contributions. For the period from 1 May 2009, when the School joined the scheme, to 31 August 2009 the employer contribution was 14 1%. The employee rate was 6 4% for the same period.

An appropriate provision in respect of unfunded pensioners' benefits is included in provisions

The total contributions made for the year ended 31 August 2011 were £33,189 (2010 £36,768) of which employers' contributions totalled £22,704 (2010 £25,289) and employees' contributions totalled £10,485 (2010 £11,479)