FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 AUGUST 2005

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2005

The trustees, who are also Directors for the purposes of the Companies Act, present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2005.

LEGAL STATUS

The Oxford Independent State Schools Partnership (OISSP) is a registered charity and is also a company limited by guarantee. It is governed by the terms of its memorandum and articles of association.

OBJECTIVES

- Encouraging and supporting links and activities between maintained and independent schools for the benefit of students and teachers.
- Expanding the ability of students and teachers to share access and carry out educational and learning activities of all kinds whether intellectual, cultural, linguistic, recreational or sporting.
- Encouraging both maintained and independent schools to share their education, school and sporting facilities.

ORGANISATION

The day to day running of the charity's activities is delegated to the project co-ordinator. The activity is overseen by the trustees and an advisory board which, in addition to the trustees, includes representatives from some of the schools who are involved in the charity's projects.

As at 31 August 2005, 36 schools in Oxfordshire, from both the state and independent sectors were participating in the charity's project work.

Partner organisations include:

Oxfordshire County Council Schools Development Service (provision of office space and other in-kind support); Oxfordshire County Council Music Service (delivery of partnership activities); Oxford Inspires (promotion of projects).

FINANCIAL CONTROLS

Some funding for the charity's activities has been provided by DfES.

The DfES project grants are managed by Oxfordshire County Council. Spending of these grants is overseen by the project co-ordinator and the trustees, through one of their number designated as the Treasurer.

All other funds are held in a bank account in the name of the Charity, again controlled by the project coordinator and the trustees.

REVIEW OF DEVELOPMENTS, ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

The Learning through Creativity Project is the main focus of the OISSP at present. It identifies students from both the maintained and independent schools sectors who are talented or who have the potential to develop talents in the performing or visual arts and provide opportunities for them to explore and develop these talents through extra curriculum activities. Another key feature of this project is the continued professional development of teachers skills through working alongside professional artists and each other. The Westminster Department of Education of Oxford Brookes University are evaluating the project. There are 26 schools and over 350 pupils involved in this project.

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT (continued)

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2005

The partnership has successfully managed three previous special projects funded by the DfES. The Key Skills Project (1999-2001) focused on communication, problem solving and working with others. It involved 46 schools, organised into 3 regional clusters. The Young Citizen's Charter Project (2001-2002) involved 6 schools focusing on citizenship; One practical outcome was the 'Young Citizens Charter', which is an interactive web based resource for students and teachers available at www.youngcitizenscharter.org, Students and teachers also engaged in school swaps giving them insights into different forms of education to their own. The Young Solutions Project (2002-2003) also focused on the theme of Citizenship and involved 18 schools.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

OISSP Website Development

The OISSP website has been developed by students from St Birinus School and The School of St Helen & St Katharine with support from their teachers and is now live at www.oissp.org. The website is a work in progress and will grow in information and diversity as the OISSP expands its interests and develops its strategy.

OISSP Strategic Planning

The OISSP is in negotiations with the local LSC regarding potential funding for 14-19 education provision and are looking at ways of enhancing the delivery of this through collaboration and the sharing of resources and good practice. Other collaborative initiatives are also being looked into by the strategy working party group.

THE TRUSTEES

The trustees who served the charity during the period were as follows:

NS Barfoot

PA Bradstock

CD Bryan

D Christie

CL Hall

R Howard

Dr D Langford

MRHJ O'Regan

DR Walker

Dr PR Williams

SMALL COMPANY PROVISIONS

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part VII of the Companies Act 1985.

Registered office:

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OXFORD

Signed by order of the trustees

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K Marshall Company Secretary

Approved by the trustees on 9 May 2006

STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2005

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity at the end of the year and of the incoming and outgoing resources for the year then ended.

In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent; and

prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue its activities.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

ACCOUNTANTS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF OXFORDSHIRE INDEPENDENT STATE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2005

We report on the unaudited accounts for the year ended 31 August 2005 set out on pages 5 to 10.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE TRUSTEES AND THE REPORTING ACCOUNTANTS

As described on page 6 the trustees of the charity are responsible for the preparation of the accounts, and they consider that the charity is exempt from an audit. It is our responsibility to carry out procedures designed to enable us to report our opinion.

BASIS OF OPINION

Our work was conducted in accordance with the Statement of Standards for Reporting Accountants, and so our procedures consisted of comparing the accounts with the accounting records kept by the charity, and making such limited enquiries of the officers of the charity as we considered necessary for the purposes of this report. These procedures provide only the assurance expressed in our opinion.

OPINION

In our opinion:

- (a) the accounts are in agreement with those accounting records kept by the charity under section 221 of the Companies Act 1985;
- (b) having regard only to, and on the basis of, the information contained in those accounting records:
 - (i) the accounts have been drawn up in a manner consistent with the accounting requirements specified in section 249C(6) of the Act; and
 - (ii) the charity satisfied the conditions for exemption from an audit of the accounts for the year specified in section 249A(4) of the Act as modified by section 249A(5) and did not, at any time within that year, fall within any of the categories of companies not entitled to the exemptions specified in section 249B(1)(a) to (f).

MERCER LEWIN Chartered Accountants

41 Cornmarket Street Oxford OX1 3HA

23 May 2006

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2005

	Note	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds Year to 31 Aug 05 £	Total Funds Period from 11 Nov 03 to 31 Aug 04 £
INCOMING RESOURCE	ES				
Donations and sponsorship		_		_	13,000
Income from charitable to activities:	rading				
Grants receivable	3	58,226	_	58,226	37,264
Interest receivable	4	82	_	82	14
TOTAL INCOMING			_		
RESOURCES		58,308	_	58,308	50,278
RESOURCES EXPENDI Charitable expenditure: Costs in furtherance of charitable objects Management and	ED 5	58,226		58,226	37,264
administration	6	779	_	779	2,820
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	7	59,005	_ 	59,005	40,084
NET (OUTGOING)/INCOMIN RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR		(697)	_	(697)	10,194
1 2/11/		(371)		(021)	10,154
Balances brought forward		10,194	· _	10,194	-4-
Balances carried forward		9,497		9,497	10,194

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.

All of the activities of the charity are classed as continuing.

BALANCE SHEET

31 AUGUST 2005

		2005		2004	
	Note	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS Intangible assets	8	•	1,631		183
CURRENT ASSETS Cash at bank		14,901		25,271	
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	9	(7,035)		(15,260)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			7,866		10,011
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LI	ABILITIES	5	9,497		10,194
NET ASSETS			9,497		10,194
FUNDS					
Restricted	10		_		_
Unrestricted	11		9,497		10,194
TOTAL FUNDS			9,497	_	10,194

The trustees are satisfied that the charity is entitled to exemption from the provisions of the Companies Act 1985 (the Act) relating to the audit of the financial statements for the year by virtue of section 249A(1), and that no member or members have requested an audit pursuant to section 249B(2) of the Act.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for:

- (i) ensuring that the charity keeps proper accounting records which comply with section 221 of the Act, and
- (ii) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of its profit or loss for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of section 226, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Act relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charity.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions for small companies under Part VII of the Companies Act 1985.

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee on the 9 May 2006 and are signed on their behalf by:

PA Bradstock

Dr PR Williams

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2005

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (SORP 2000) and the Companies Act 1985.

Cash flow statement

The trustees have taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard No 1 (revised) from including a cash flow statement in the financial statements on the grounds that the charity is small.

Grants

Grants received are credited to the income and expenditure account in the period in which they are received, saving those amounts which are intended to fund expenditure in future accounting periods, which are deferred.

Amortisation

Amortisation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Website - 5 years

2. DONATIONS AND SPONSORSHIP

				Total Funds
			Total Funds	Period from
	Unrestricted		Year to	11 Nov 03 to
	Funds	Restricted Funds	31 Aug 05	31 Aug 04
	. £	£	£	£
Donations	-	_	-	10,000
Sponsorship	-	-	-	3,000
				
	-	-	=	13,000
				

3. GRANTS RECEIVABLE

			Total Funds	Total Funds Period from
	Unrestricted		Year to	11 Nov 03 to
	Funds	Restricted Funds	31 Aug 05	31 Aug 04
	£	£	£	£
DfES Grants received/carried				
over	64,760	-	64,760	52,024
Amounts deferred to future				
periods	(6,534)	-	(6,534)	(14,760)
	59.226			27.264
	58,226	***	58,226	37,264

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4. INTEREST RECEIVABLE

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Bank interest receivable COSTS IN FURTHERANCE	£ 82	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds Year to 31 Aug 05 £ 82	Total Funds Period from 11 Nov 03 to 31 Aug 04 £ 14
				Total Funds

	17		Total Funds	Period from
	Unrestricted		Year to	11 Nov 03 to
	Funds	Restricted Funds	31 Aug 05	31 Aug 04
	£	£	£	£
Provision of charitable services:				
Arts partnership costs	58,226	~	58,226	37,264
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Analysis of provision of charitable services:

	Other costs	Total 2004
	£	£
Arts partnership costs	58,226	37,264
		

6. MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

				Total Funds
			Total Funds	Period from
	Unrestricted		Year to	11 Nov 03 to
	Funds	Restricted Funds	31 Aug 05	31 Aug 04
	£	£	£	£
Accountancy fees	764	•	764	500
Legal and professional	15	-	15	2,320
				
	779	-	779	2,820
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7. TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED

		Total Funds Period from 11 Nov 03 to
	Other costs £	31 Aug 04 £
Direct charitable expenditure	58,226	37,264
Management and administration	779	2,820
	59,005	40,084

No salaries or wages have been paid to employees, including the members of the committee, during the year.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2005

Unrestricted funds

7. TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED (continued)

/•	TOTAL RESOURCES EXTENDED (continues)			
		Yea 31 Au £		Period from 11 Nov 03 to 31 Aug 04 £
	Other costs:			
	Legal and professional Other	58,	779 226	2,820 37,264
		59,0	005	40,084
8.	INTANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS			
				Website £
	COST			
	At 1 September 2004 Additions			183 1,448
	At 31 August 2005			1,631
	AMORTISATION At 1 September 2004 and 31 August 2005			
	NET BOOK VALUE At 31 August 2005			1,631
	At 31 August 2004			183
9.	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one	year		
		2	2005	2004
		£		£
	Deferred grant income	6,3	534	14,760
	Accruals	:	501	500
		7,0	035	15,260
10.	RESTRICTED FUNDS			
			Movement in resources:	Balance at
	DfES Project Grants	Incoming 58,226	Outgoing (58,226)	31 Aug 2005
11.	ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS IN UNRESTRIC	CTED FUNDS		
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		Tangible fixed assets	Other net assets	Total

£

1,631

7,866

9,497

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YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2005

12. COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE

The company is limited by guarantee and does not have a share capital. The members agree to contribute a sum to the assets of the company, not exceeding £1 each, in the event of it being wound up.