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Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust

Annual Report and Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 August 2017

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Reference and Administrative Details

Governors (Trustees)

Mr. J. Brady - Chair	Community Governor
Mrs. J. Skinner	Ex Officio
Father C. Johnson	Ex Officio
Mrs. R. Denton	Staff Governor
Mrs. K. Partington	Staff Governor
Mr. M. Smith	Community Governor
Mrs. V. Crowther	Foundation Governor
Mrs. T. Amer	Parent Governor
Mr. D. Bailey	Parent Governor
Mr. S. Leather	Parent Governor

Company Secretary

Mrs. R. Denton

Senior Management Team

Executive Head	Mrs. J. Skinner
Head of School	Mrs. K. Partington
Business Manager	Mrs. R. Denton

Company Name

Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust

Principal and Registered Office

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Company Number

07966187 (England & Wales)

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Governors' Report

For the year ended 31 August 2017

The governors present their annual report together with the financial statements and auditors' report of the charitable company for the period 1 September 2016 to 31 August 2017. The annual report serves the purpose of both a governors' report and a directors' report under company law.

The trust operates one primary academy in Horbury Bridge. The academy has a pupil capacity of 105 full time plus 26 nursery and had a roll of 138 in the school census on 6 October 2017.

Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution

The academy trust is a company limited by guarantee and an exempt charity. The charitable company's memorandum and articles of association are the primary governing documents of the academy trust. The Governors act as the trustees for Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust and are also the directors of the Charitable Company for the purposes of company law. The Charitable Company is known as Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust.

Details of the governors who served throughout the period, except as noted, 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 an amount as may be required, not exceeding £10 for the debts and liabilities contracted before they ceased to be a member.

Governors' Indemnities

Governors benefit from indemnity insurance purchased at the Academy expense to cover the liability of the Governors which by virtue of any rule of law would otherwise attach to them in respect of negligence, default or breach of trust or breach of duty of which they may be guilty in relation to the Academy: Provided that any such insurance shall not extend to any claim arising from any act or omission which the Governors knew to be a breach of trust or a breach of duty or which was committed by the Governors in reckless disregard to whether it was a breach of trust or breach of duty or not and provided also that any such insurance shall not extend to the costs of any unsuccessful defence to criminal prosecution brought against the governors in their capacity as directors of the Academy. The limit of this indemnity is £1,000,000.

Method of Recruitment and Appointment or Election of governors

The number of Governors shall not be less than 3 but shall not be subject to any maximum.

The Academy shall have the following Governors:

- a) 1 Governor, appointed under Article 50;
- b) 1 LA Governor if appointed under Article 51;
- c) 3 Parent Governors appointed under Article 53-58;
- d) 2 Staff Governors appointed under Article 58A;
- e) 2 Foundation Governors under Article 58B;
- f) 3 Community Governors appointed under Article 58C
- g) The Principal;
- h) Any additional Governors, if appointed under Article 62, 62A or 68A; and
- i) Any further Governors, if appointed under Article 63 or Article 68A.

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Governors' Report (continued)

For the year ended 31 August 2017

The Governing Body shall make all necessary arrangements for, and determine all other matters relating to, an election of Parent Governors, including any question of whether a person is a parent of a registered pupil at the Academy. Any election of Parent Governors which is contested shall be held by secret ballot.

The arrangements made for the election of a Parent Governor shall provide for every person who is entitled to vote in the election to have an opportunity to do so by post or, if they prefer, by having his ballot paper returned to the Academy by a registered pupil at the Academy.

The Governing Body shall make all necessary arrangements for, and determine matters relating to, the election and removal of Staff Governors.

Term of Office

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

Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Governors

The Governors shall each school year, at their first meeting in that year, elect a chairman and a vice-chairman from among their number. A Governor who is employed by the Academy shall not be eligible for election as chairman or vice-chairman.

Policies and Procedures Adopted for the Induction and Training of Governors

The training and induction provided for new Governors will depend on their existing experience. Where necessary, induction will provide training on charity and educational, legal and finance matters. All new Governors will be given a tour of the Academy and the chance to meet with the staff and pupils. All Governors are provided with an induction pack which includes copies of policies, procedures, minutes, accounts, budget plans and other documents that they will need to undertake in their role as Governors.

Organisational Structure

The management structure consists of three levels; The Trustees, the Board of Governors and the Senior Leadership Team. The aim of the management structure is to devolve responsibility and encourage involvement in decision making at all levels.

The Governors are responsible for setting general policy, adopting an annual plan and budget, monitoring the academy by the use of results and budgets and making major decisions about the direction of the academy, capital expenditure and staff appointments.

The senior leaders are the Executive Head, Head of School and Business Manager. These managers control the academy at an executive level, implementing the policies laid down by the Governors and reporting back to them. As a group the senior leaders are responsible for the authorisation of spending within agreed budgets and the appointment of staff, though appointment boards always contain a Governor.

Arrangements for setting pay and remuneration of key management personnel

The academy adopts the Wakefield Local Authority pay policy on an annual basis. The policy has been developed to comply with the current legislation and the requirements of the School Trustees' Pay and Conditions Document (STPCD). Pay decisions are made by the Governing Body which has delegated certain responsibilities and decision making powers to the Pay Committee. The Pay Committee shall be responsible to the establishment and review of the pay policy, subject to the approval of the Governing Body, and shall have full authority to make pay decisions on behalf of the Governing Body in accordance with the pay policy. The headteacher shall be responsible for advising the Pay Committee and its decisions. Decisions regarding pay progressions will be made with reference to the teacher's performance management reports and the pay recommendations they contain.

Related Parties and other Connected Charities and Organisations

As a church school, Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy, work very closely with the Diocese of Leeds.

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Governors' Report (continued)

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Objectives and Activities

Objectives and Aims

The principal objective and activity of the charitable company is to advance education in the UK for the public benefit, in particular by maintaining and carrying on the academy, offering a broad and creative curriculum with a focus on high standards of basic skills combined within the development of the whole child. In setting our objectives and planning our activities the Governors have given careful consideration to the Charity Commissions' general guidance on public benefit.

The main objectives of the academy during the year ended August 2017 are summarised below:

- To ensure that every child enjoys the same high quality in terms of resourcing, teaching and care.
- To raise the standard of educational achievement of all pupils.
- To improve the effectiveness of the academy by keeping the curriculum and organisational structure under continual review.
- To provide value for money for the funds expended.
- To comply with all appropriate statutory and curriculum requirements.
- To maintain close links with other primary schools, and
- To conduct the academy business in accordance with the highest standards of integrity, probity and openness.

Objectives, Strategies and Activities

The vision for Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust is to provide an outstanding education for all children in its care; achieving high standards and developing the whole child, within a supportive family ethos. This applies to all aspects of the organisation at every level. The academy places the pupils at the centre of everything it does, with a focus on maintaining a culture of success, a positive climate for learning and pupil attainment, achievement and spiritual, moral, social and cultural development. In raising standards for its own pupils the academy contributes to the raising of educational standards and achievements.

The whole purpose of schools is that the children are absolute priority. That every pupil irrespective of their starting point, succeeds and achieves. In order to do this, a high quality educational experience is an entitlement for every pupil at Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust, with all parties – pupils, staff, parents/carers, governors, St John's Church community and the wider community working together to achieve these goals. Pupils with special needs are fully included and benefit from the focus on personalised learning and individual plans.

The Governors whole purpose is to raise standards for all pupils by sustaining and enhancing performance and to develop the whole child, whilst at the same time engaging and collaborating with other schools to help improve the life changes of other children locally and nationally.

Public Benefit

The Trust considered the Charity Commission's guidance on Public Benefit. The main public benefit delivered by the Trust is the provision of a high quality of education to its pupils. This has been evidenced through the results achieved and feedback from external assessments.

The Executive Head of Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust is a Local Leader of Education (LLE) and the Academy actively engages in wider school improvement and supports other schools. One member of the senior staff is a Specialist Leader of Education (SLE). Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust is a partner in the Aspire Teaching School Alliance.

The School was judged as good when inspected in July 2013, by Ofsted.

A SIAMS inspection was carried out in March 2015 and was judged as outstanding.

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Governors' Report (continued)

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Strategic Report

Achievements and Performance

The total number of pupils in the year ended 31 August 2017 were as follows:

Pupils on Roll 31.08.2017 138

Pupils on Roll 31.08.2016 137

EYFS Data

Children make sustained progress through the early years. Pupils enter early years with skills broadly typical for their age. By the end of early years they are achieving in line with LA and national averages in all areas.

Key Performance Indicators 2017

EFYS PROFILE	Good Level of Development (GLD)	
	School	National
16 Children	75%	71%
Attainment is in line with National		

KS1 Attainment	Meeting or exceeding age expectations	
	School	National
Reading	87%	76%
Writing	80%	68%
Maths	93%	75%
Combined RWM	80%	64%
Attainment is above National in all areas and in combined Reading, Writing and Maths		

KS2 Attainment	Meeting or exceeding age expectations		Progress scores
	School	National	
Reading	100%	71%	+7.6 sig above
Writing	100%	76%	+3.5 sig above
Maths	93%	75%	+6.4 sig above
Combined RWM	93%	61%	
Attainment is well above National in all areas and in combined Reading, Writing and Maths Progress from KS1 to KS2 is significantly above National			

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Governors' Report (continued)

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Attendance

Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust achieved an attendance level of 96.5% for the year to 31 August 2017. The attendance target for 2017/2018 is 96%.

Going Concern

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

Financial Review

Financial report for the year

These financial statements reflect a 12 month accounting period of operation. The majority of income received is obtained from the Department of Education (DfE), via the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) in the form of recurrent General Annual Grant (GAG) funding, the use of which is restricted for the day to day running of the Academy. Total grants received from the EFSA and the associated expenditure is shown as restricted funds in the statement of financial activities.

The restricted fixed asset fund balance is reduced by annual depreciation charges over the expected useful life of the assets concerned.

During the period the Academy received £765,366 of income (excluding fixed assets and pension liability), of which £519,361 was GAG funding. Other grants and income amounted to £246,005.

Expenditure for the period totalled £815,183 (excluding depreciation), including £588,022 of staff related costs supporting the day to day running of the Academy Trust.

The excess total expenditure over total income during the period was £49,817 (excluding restricted fixed asset funds and pension deficit).

The Academy Trust also inherited the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) liability of £81,000. The LGPS liability decreased from £248,000 to £172,000 as at 31st August 2017. This is detailed in the notes to the financial statements.

As at 31st August 2017 the net book value of fixed assets is £576,418. The assets were used exclusively for providing education and the associated support services to pupils of the Academy Trust.

Reserves Policy

The governors review the reserve levels of the Academy annually. The governors take into consideration the future plans of the Academy, future income streams and commitments, and other key risks identifies during the risk review.

The governors anticipate utilising reserves to maintain educational standards, provide a contingency to deal with unexpected emergencies such as urgent maintenance and to support future strategic initiatives within the Academy.

Investment policy

There are no material investments held by the Academy, funds are currently held in a current account. The Academy aims to manage the cash balances to provide for the day to day working capital requirements of its operations. During the year, consideration will be given to investing free reserves to optimise returns, but ensuring the investment instruments are such that there is no risk to the loss of these cash funds.

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Governors' Report (continued)

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Financial Review continued

Key Financial Performance Indicators

The main financial performance indicator in reporting to the Governing Body has been monthly revenue against monthly expenditure for key budget headings/items (for example, salaries, building costs, maintenance).

Financial and Risk Management Objectives and Policies

The Governors have implemented a number of systems to assess and minimise risks, described elsewhere in this report. Adequate insurance is in place where appropriate.

The Governors examine the financial health every term, reviewing performance against budget and overall expenditure.

At the year end, the Academy has no significant liabilities arising from trade creditors or debtors where there would be a significant effect on liquidity.

The Governing Body recognises that the defined benefit scheme deficit (Local Government Pension Scheme) represents a significant potential liability. However, as the Governors consider that the Academy is able to meet its known annual contribution commitments for the foreseeable future, the risk from the liability is minimised.

Principal Risks and Uncertainties

The principal risks and uncertainties facing the Academy are as follows:

- Financial – The Academy has considerable reliance on continued Government funding from the ESFA, whilst levels are expected to continue, there is no assurance that Government policy or practice will remain the same or that public funding will continue at the same level or on the same terms.
- Failures in governance and/or management to effectively manage the Academy's finances internal controls, compliance with regulations and legislation, statutory returns.
- Fraud and mismanagement of funds – the Academy appointed Paylings to carry out checks on financial systems and records.
- Safeguarding and Child protection – the Governors continue to ensure the highest standards are maintained in the areas of selection and monitoring of staff, the operation of child protection policies and procedures, health and safety and discipline.

Plans for Future Periods

The school has the following future plans:-

Leadership

Provide continued opportunities for staff development and personal growth through curriculum development and leadership in:

- Coastal schools
- NQT induction
- Cooking
- Sport
- NLE and NSS support work
- SENCo role
- Computing

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Governors' Report (continued)

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Curriculum

Embed recent curriculum initiatives:

- Narrative Immersion curriculum
- Reading
- Maths strategies

Develop Teaching and Learning in Science

Develop Teaching and Learning in Computing

Funds held as Custodian Trustee on behalf of others

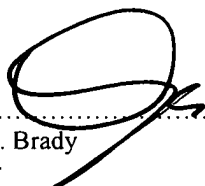
The Academy and its Governors do not act as the Custodian Trustees of any other Charity.

Auditor

In so far as the Governors are aware:

- There is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditor is unaware; and
- The governors' 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.

Governors' report, incorporating a strategic report, was approved by order of the members of the governing body, as the company directors, on 18 December 2017 and signed on their behalf by:



.....
Mr. J. Brady
Chair

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Governance Statement

For the year ended 31 August 2017

Scope of Responsibility

As governors, we acknowledge we have overall responsibility for ensuring that Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust 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 governing body has delegated the day to day responsibility to the Executive Head, 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 Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust and the Secretary of State for Education. They are also responsible for reporting to the governing body any material weaknesses or breakdowns in internal control.

Governance

The information on governance included here supplements that described in the governors' report and in the statement of governors responsibilities. Attendance during the period at meetings of the governing body was as follows:

	Meetings Attended	Out of a possible
Mr. J. Brady	4	7
Mrs. J. Skinner	6	7
Mrs. R. Denton	7	7
Mrs. K. Partington	6	7
Mr. M. Smith	3	7
Mrs. V. Crowther	7	7
Mr. D. Bailey	3	7
Mr. S. Leather	5	7
Father Andreas Wenzel – resigned 6.02.17	1	3
Mrs. T. Amer	7	7
Father C Johnson	2	2

Premises and assets

The environment is well maintained and cared for, making best use of the limited space and providing an attractive and stimulating learning environment.

To maintain and enhance this, planned developments over the next 1-3 years include:

- Completion of work begun last year in developing provision in the EYFS outdoor area.
- Installation of an additional outside door from the corridor to the playground to reduce movement throughout the EYFS outdoor area
- Programme of redecoration and repair to the fabric of the building.
- Replacement of plasters at the edge of the field/dragon playground.
- Boiler replacement.

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Governance Statement continued

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Review of Value for Money

As accounting officer the executive head 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 governors 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 the money during the year by:

- A building extension enabled additional Early Years provision to be established including wrap around care and the facility to offer the 30 hours entitlement for 3-5 year olds from September 2017. Demand for this is steadily growing and meeting the needs of parents as well as providing a quality experience for nurturing the development of our youngest children. Income and the associated funding from these services is ensuring that staffing is cost effective and contributing towards the overall academy finances.
- Regular audits and reviews of procedures have strengthened the academy's accounting procedures and informed decision making which have improved throughout the year. Services and contracts continue to be reviewed for quality, effectiveness and value.
- Investing in quality staffing and overstaffing provided the flexibility and capacity to provide targeted support and interventions for individuals and groups. This has also provided focussed support for teaching and learning across school and for developing the practice of 3 NQTs. Upholding the academy's key principles of collaboration and sharing of good practice, the academy made a significant contribution to system leadership locally through having this additional in school capacity and enabled school staff to develop their own leadership skills and add to the schools capacity.

The Purpose of the System of Internal Control

The system of internal control is designed to manage risk to a reasonable level rather than to eliminate all risk of failure to achieve policies, aims and objectives. It can therefore only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance of effectiveness. The system of internal control is based on an ongoing process designed to identify and prioritise the risks to the achievement of the 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 at Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust for the year ended 31 August 2017 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements.

Capacity to Handle Risk

The governing body 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 governing body is of the view that there is a formal on-going process for identifying, evaluating and managing the academy trust's significant risks that has been in place for the year ending 31 August 2017 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements. This process is regularly reviewed by the governing body.

Awards

The school and its staff have received the following awards:-

- One member of staff has successfully achieved accreditation as a Computing At School (CAS) Master Teacher resulting in initiating a local network for primary computing and presenting at a CAS conference.
- The Headteacher has been accredited as a National Leader of Education (NLE) and the school designated as a National Support School (NNS). This means that Head provides DfE approved school improvement support and system leadership to other schools and is supported in this by wider staff.

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Governance Statement continued

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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 governing body
- regular reviews by the finance and resource committee of reports which indicate financial performance against forecasts and of major purchase plans, capital works and expenditure programmes
- setting targets to measure financial and other performance
- clearly defined purchasing guidelines
- delegation of authority and segregation of duties
- identification and management of risks

The governing body has considered the need for a specific internal audit function and Paylings have been appointed as internal auditor.

The internal auditors role includes giving advice on financial matters and performing a range of checks on the academy trust's financial systems. In particular the checks carried out in the current period included, but not limited to:

- testing of payroll systems
- testing of purchase systems
- testing of income
- testing of control accounts

The internal audit was carried out over 3 visits during the academic year as planned, a report was produced on each visit setting out the work that had been completed. There were no material control issues found during the internal audits.

Review of Effectiveness

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

- the work of the internal auditor;
- the work of the external auditor;
- the work of 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 Governing Body and a plan to address any weaknesses and ensure continuous improvement of the system is in place.

Approved by order of the members of the governing body on 18 December 2017 and signed on its behalf by:



.....
Mr. J. Brady
(Chair)



.....
Mrs. J. Skinner
(Accounting Officer)

Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust**Statement of Regularity, Propriety and Compliance****For the year ended 31 August 2017**

As accounting officer of Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust, I have considered my responsibility to notify the academy trust governing body and the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) of any material irregularity, impropriety and non-compliance with ESFA terms and conditions of funding, 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 2016.

I confirm that I and the academy trust governing body 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 with the Academies Financial Handbook 2016.

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 governing body and the ESFA.



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Mrs. J. Skinner
(Accounting Officer)

Date: 18 December 2017

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Statement of Governors' Responsibilities

For the year ended 31 August 2017

The governors (who act as trustees for Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust and are also directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the governors' report and the financial statements in accordance with the Annual Accounts Direction published by the Education and Skills Funding Agency, United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable laws and regulations.

Company law requires the governors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the governors 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 governors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently.
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2015 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2016 to 2017.
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) 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.

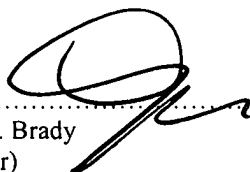
The governors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements 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 governors are responsible for ensuring that in its conduct and operation the charitable company applies financial and other controls, which conform with the requirements both of propriety and of good financial management. They are also responsible for ensuring grants received from the ESFA/DfE have been applied for the purposes intended.

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

Approved by order of the members of the governing body on 18 December 2017 and signed on its behalf by:

.....
Mr. J. Brady
(Chair)



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**Independent Auditor's Report on the Financial Statements to the
Governing Body of Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust**

For the year ended 31 August 2017

We have audited the financial statements of Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust for the year ended 31 August 2017 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement 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 (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

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

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the academy's affairs as at 31 August 2017 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 properly prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP 2015 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2016 to 2017.

Basis of 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 charitable company 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

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

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

Other information

The governors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the financial statements and our auditor's opinion 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.

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**Independent Auditor's Report on the Financial Statements to the
Governing Body of Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust**

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Other information (continued)

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 misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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

- the information given in the Report of the Governor's for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Report of the Governor's 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 charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Report of the Governor's.

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 or governors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of governors

As explained more fully in the Governor's Responsibilities Statement set out on page 13, the governors (who are also the directors of the academy for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the governor's determine is necessary to enable to prepare financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the governors are responsible for assessing the charitable company'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 governors either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust

**Independent Auditor's Report on the Financial Statements to the
Governing Body of Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust**

for the year ended 31 August 2017

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Report of Independent Auditors.



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Date: 18 December 2017

Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust

**Independent Reporting Accountant's Assurance Report on Regularity
to Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust
and the Education Funding Agency**

For the year ended 31 August 2017

In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 1 September 2016 and further to the requirements of the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) as included in the Academies Accounts Direction 2016 to 2017, we have carried out an engagement to obtain limited assurance about whether the expenditure disbursed and income received by Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust during the period 1 September 2016 to 31 August 2017 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 the governing body and the ESFA in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust and the 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 Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust and the ESFA for our work, for this report, or for the conclusion we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust's accounting officer and the reporting accountant

The accounting officer is responsible, under the requirements of Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust's funding agreement with the Secretary of State for Education dated 1 April 2012 and the Academies Financial Handbook, extant from 1 September 2016, 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 2016 to 2017. 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 2016 to 31 August 2017 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 Academies Accounts Direction 2016 to 2017 issued by the 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.

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to Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust
and the Education Funding Agency**

For the year ended 31 August 2017

Approach (continued)

The work undertaken to draw to our conclusion includes:

- Confirmation that there are no new activities within the academy trust
- Analytical review of the activities of the academy trust
- Consideration of the evidence supporting the accounting officers statement
- Evaluation of the general control environment
- Assessment and testing of a sample of the specific control activities over regularity
- Confirmation that each item tested has been appropriately authorised in accordance with the academy trusts delegated authorities.
- Formal representations obtained from the governing body and the accounting officer acknowledging their responsibilities including disclosing all non-compliance with laws and regulations, access to accounting records and provision of information and explanations.
- A review of credit card expenses
- Consideration of related party transactions

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 1 September 2016 to 31 August 2017 has not been applied to purposes intended by Parliament and the financial transactions do not conform to the authorities which govern them.



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Date: 18 December 2017

Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust**Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 August 2017****(including Income and Expenditure Account)**

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted General Funds	Restricted Fixed Asset Funds	Total 2017	Total 2016
	NOTES	£	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:						
Donations and capital grants	3	2,885	5,449	-	8,334	19,686
Charitable activities:						
Funding for the academy trust's educational operations	4	-	586,381	-	586,381	586,329
Other trading activities	5	83,918	86,410	-	170,328	175,916
Investments	6	323	-	-	323	353
Total		87,126	678,240	-	765,366	782,284
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds	7	45,665	-	-	45,665	37,334
Charitable activities						
Academy trust's educational operations	8	31,902	737,616	33,436	802,954	721,607
Other		-	-	-	-	-
Total	7	77,567	737,616	33,436	848,619	758,941
Net income/(expenditure)		9,559	(59,376)	(33,436)	(83,253)	23,343
Transfers between funds	16	(139,523)	18,376	121,147	-	-
Other recognised gains/losses						
Actuarial (losses)/gains on defined benefit pension schemes	16, 22	-	117,000	-	117,000	(163,000)
Net movement in funds		(129,964)	76,000	87,711	33,747	(139,657)
Reconciliation of funds						
Total funds brought forward		142,569	(248,000)	488,707	383,276	522,933
Total funds carried forward		12,605	(172,000)	576,418	417,023	383,276

All of the Academy trust's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two financial periods

A Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses is not required as all gains and losses are included in the Statement of Financial Activities.

The notes attached form part of these financial statements.

Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust
(Company Number 07966187)

Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2017

	NOTES	2017		2016	
		£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible assets	12		576,418		488,707
Current Assets					
Stock	13	1,303		2,002	
Debtors	14	18,965		34,667	
Cash at bank and in hand		76,454		138,897	
		96,722		175,566	
Liabilities:					
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	15	84,117		32,997	
Net current assets/(liabilities)			12,605		142,569
Total assets less current liabilities			589,023		631,276
Defined benefit pension scheme liability	22		(172,000)		(248,000)
Total net assets			417,023		383,276
Funds of the academy trust:					
Restricted funds					
Fixed asset fund	16		576,418		488,707
General fund	16		-		-
Pension reserve	16		(172,000)		(248,000)
Total restricted funds			404,418		240,707
Unrestricted income funds					
General fund	16		12,605		142,569
Total funds			417,023		383,276

The financial statements on pages 18 to 36 were approved by the Governors, and authorised for issue on 18 December 2017 and are signed on their behalf by

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Mr. J. Brady
(Chair)

The notes attached form part of these financial statements.

Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust**Cash Flow Statement for the year ended 31 August 2017**

	Notes	2017 £	2016 £
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	1	52,932	28,377
Cash flows from investing activities	2	(115,375)	(5,249)
Cash flows from financing activities	3	-	-
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		<hr/> (62,443) <hr/>	<hr/> 23,128 <hr/>
Net funds at 1st September 2016		138,897	115,769
Net funds at 31st August 2017	4	<hr/> 76,454 <hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> 138,897 <hr/> <hr/>

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Notes to the Cash Flow Statement for the year ended 31 August 2017

1. Reconciliation of net income/(expenditure) to net cash flow from operating activities:

	2017	2016
	£	£
Net income/(expenditure) for the reporting period	(83,253)	23,343
Adjusted for:		
Depreciation charges	33,436	31,871
Capital grants from DfE and other capital income	(5,449)	(5,424)
Interest receivable	(323)	(353)
Defined benefit pension scheme cost less contributions payable	36,000	8,000
Defined benefit pension scheme finance cost	5,000	3,000
Decrease/(Increase) in debtors	15,702	(17,125)
Increase/(Decrease) in creditors	51,120	(14,667)
Decrease/(Increase) in stocks	699	(268)
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	52,932	28,377

2. Cash flows from investing activities

Dividends, interest and rents from investments	323	353
Proceeds from sale of tangible fixed assets	-	-
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(121,147)	(11,026)
Capital grants from DfE/ESFA	5,449	5,424
Capital funding received from sponsors and others	-	-
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities	(115,375)	(5,249)

3. Cash flows from financing activities

Repayments of borrowing	-	-
Cash inflows from new borrowing	-	-
Net cash provided by/(used in) financing activities	-	-

4. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

Cash in hand and at bank	76,454	138,897
Notice deposits (less than 3 months)	-	-
Total cash and cash equivalents	76,454	138,897

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2017

1. STATEMENT OF 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

Basis of Preparation

The financial statements of the academy trust, which is a public benefit entity under FRS102, have been prepared under the historical cost convention in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102), the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (Charities SORP (FRS102)) the Academies Accounts Direction 2016 to 2017 issued by the ESFA, the Charities Act 2011 and the Companies Act 2006.

Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust meets the definition of public benefit under FRS102.

Going Concern

The governors assess whether the use of going concern is appropriate i.e. whether there are any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the company to continue as a going concern. The governors 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.

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.

The General Annual Grant (GAG) is recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year for which it is receivable and any abatement in respect of the 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 assets fund. Capital grants are recognised when there is entitlement and are not deferred over the life of the asset on which they are expended.

- **Sponsorship Income**

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

- **Donations**

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

- **Other Income**

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

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2017

1. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

- **Donated goods, facilities and services**

Goods donated for resale are included at fair value, being the expected proceeds from sale less the expected costs of sale. If it is practical to assess the fair value at receipt, it is recognised in stock and 'Income from other trading activities'. Upon sale, the value of the stock is charged against 'Income from other trading activities' and the proceeds are recognised as 'Income from other trading activities'. Where it is impractical to fair value the items due to the volume of low value items they are not recognised in the financial statements until they are sold. This income is recognised within 'Income from other trading activities'.

- **Donated fixed assets (excluding Transfers on conversion/into trust)**

Where the donated good is a fixed asset it is 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.

- **Donated fixed assets on conversion**

The academy's land and buildings are on a 125 year lease from Wakefield Metropolitan District Council. No premium was paid and the rent is one peppercorn. The building was valued on conversion at depreciated replacement cost and is depreciated over the remainder of its expected life. Land was valued at market value and is depreciated over the length of the lease.

Other fixed assets transferred on conversion were valued at original cost less depreciation to the date of conversion.

Expenditure

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

- **Expenditure on Raising Funds**

This includes all expenditure incurred by the academy trust to raise funds for its charitable purposes and includes costs of all fund raising 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 appointed to charitable activities.

All resources expended are inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

Tangible Fixed Assets

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

Where tangible fixed assets have been acquired with the aid of specific grants, either from the government or from the private sector, they are included in the Balance Sheet at cost and depreciated over their expected useful economic life. Where there are specific conditions attached to the funding requiring the continued use of the asset, the related grants are credited to a restricted fixed asset fund in the Statement of Financial Activities and carried forward in the Balance Sheet.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2017

1. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Tangible Fixed Assets (continued)

Depreciation on the relevant assets is charged directly to the restricted fixed asset fund in the Statement of Financial Activities. Where tangible fixed assets have been acquired with unrestricted funds, depreciation on such assets is charged to the unrestricted fund.

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

Leasehold land	over 125 years, being the length of the lease
Inherited buildings	over 20 years, being the remainder of the life of the buildings
Assets under Construction	None
Plant and Machinery	7 years
Fixtures, fitting and equipment	4 years
Computer equipment	over 3 years

Assets in the course of construction are included at cost. Depreciation on these assets is not charged until they are brought into use.

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.

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 or services it must provide.

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the academy trust has an obligation at the reporting date as a result of a past event which it is probable will result in the transfer of economic benefits and the obligation can be estimated reliably.

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

Leased Assets

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

Financial Instruments

The academy trust only holds basic financial instruments as defined in FRS102. 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 as detailed in note 14. Prepayments are not financial instruments.

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

Financial liabilities – trade creditors, accruals and other creditors are financial instruments, and are measured at amortised cost as detailed in note 15. 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 instruments.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2017

1. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Stock

Stocks of uniform and catering supplies are valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value.

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 Part 11, chapter 3 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

Pension 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.

The TPS is an unfunded scheme and contributions are calculated so as to spread the cost of pensions over employees' working lives with the academy 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 on the basis of quadrennial valuations using a prospective unit credit method. As stated in Note 22, the TPS is a multi-employer scheme and there is insufficient information available to use defined benefit accounting. The TPS is therefore treated as a defined contribution scheme for accounting purposes and the contributions recognised in the period to which they relate.

The LGPS is a funded scheme and the assets are held separately from those of the academy trust in separate trustee administered funds. Pension scheme assets are measured at fair value and liabilities are measured on an actuarial basis using the projected unit credit method and discounted at a rate equivalent to the current rate of return on a high quality corporate bond of equivalent term and currency to the liabilities. The actuarial valuations are obtained at least triennially and are updated at each balance sheet date. The amounts charged to operating surplus are the current service costs and the costs of scheme introductions, benefit charges, 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 obligations 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.

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 governors.

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

Restricted general funds comprise all other restricted funds received with restrictions imposed by the Funder/Donor and include grants from the Education and Skills Funding Agency/ Department for Education.

Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement

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 estimated 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.

Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2017

1. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

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 (income) for pensions include the discount rate. Any changes in these assumptions, which are disclosed in note 22, will impact the carrying amount of the pension liability. Furthermore, a roll forward approach which projects results from the latest full actuarial valuation performed at 31 March 2016 has been used by the actuary in valuing the pensions liability at 31 August 2017. 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

There are no critical areas of judgement throughout the year.

2. GENERAL ANNUAL GRANT (GAG)

Under the funding agreement with the Secretary of State the academy trust was subject to limits at 31 August 2017 on the amount of GAG that could be carried forward from one year to the next. An amount equal to 12% of GAG could be carried forward, of which up to 2% could be used for general recurrent purposes, with any balance being available for premises/capital purposes.

The academy trust **has not** exceeded these limits during the year ended 31st August 2017.

3. DONATIONS AND CAPITAL GRANTS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2017 £	Total 2016 £
Capital Grants	-	5,449	5,449	5,424
Other Donations	2,885	-	2,885	14,262
	<hr/> 2,885	<hr/> 5,449	<hr/> 8,334	<hr/> 19,686
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>

4. FUNDING FOR THE ACADEMY TRUST'S EDUCATIONAL OPERATIONS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2017 £	Total 2016 £
DfE/ESFA grants				
- General Annual Grant (GAG)	-	519,361	519,361	528,552
- Start Up Grants	-	-	-	-
- Other DfE/ESFA grants	-	28,326	28,326	29,684
	<hr/> -	<hr/> 547,687	<hr/> 547,687	<hr/> 558,236
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
Other government grants				
- Local authority grants	-	38,694	38,694	28,093
- Special educational projects	-	-	-	-
	<hr/> -	<hr/> 38,694	<hr/> 38,694	<hr/> 28,093
Other income from the academy trust's educational operations				
	<hr/> -	<hr/> -	<hr/> -	<hr/> -
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	<hr/> -	<hr/> 586,381	<hr/> 586,381	<hr/> 586,329
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>

Net income/(expenditure) for the period includes:	Total 2017 £	Total 2016 £
Operating lease rentals	2,278	1,423
Fees payable to auditor - audit	5,500	4,750
other services	1,350	2,750
Accountancy fees	-	1,028
Depreciation	33,436	31,871

Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust**Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2017****8. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES**

	Total 2017 £	Total 2016 £
Direct costs – educational operations	418,213	390,099
Support costs – educational operations	384,741	331,508
	<hr/> 802,954	<hr/> 721,607

	Boarding £	Educational operations £	Total 2017 £	Total 2016 £
Analysis of support costs				
Support staff costs	-	224,245	224,245	208,169
Depreciation	-	33,436	33,436	31,871
Technology costs	-	13,043	13,043	14,573
Premises costs	-	28,896	28,896	22,827
Other support costs	-	34,929	34,929	31,705
Governance costs	-	50,192	50,192	22,363
Total support costs	<hr/> -	<hr/> 384,741	<hr/> 384,741	<hr/> 331,508

9. STAFF**a) Staff costs**

Staff costs during the period were:

	Total 2017 £	Total 2016 £
Wages and salaries	477,700	452,259
Social Security costs	41,553	34,568
Operating costs of defined benefit pension schemes	68,769	68,351
Apprenticeship levy	-	-
	<hr/> 588,022	<hr/> 555,178

Supply Staff costs
Staff restructuring costs

-	-
-	-
<hr/> -	<hr/> -

Staff restructuring costs comprise:

Redundancy payments	-	-
Severance payments	-	-
Other restructuring costs	-	-
	<hr/> -	<hr/> -

b) Non statutory/non-contractual staff severance payments

Included in staff restructuring costs are non-statutory/non-contractual payments totalling £Nil (2016: £Nil).

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2017

9. STAFF continued

c) Staff Numbers

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

	2017	2016
	No.	No.
Teachers	6	6
Administration and support	16	15
Management	2	3
	<hr/>	<hr/>
	24	24
	<hr/>	<hr/>

d) Secondment of Staff

As from 1 November 2015 Mrs. J. Skinner (Executive Head) was seconded to another school and all costs relating to her salary were reimbursed. This contract ended on 31 March 2017. During this period Mrs. K. Partington was promoted on a temporary basis as Head of School, together with an appropriate increase in salary, this salary was paid until 31 August 2017 as per her contract.

e) Higher paid staff

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

	2017	2016
	No.	No.
£60,001 - £70,000	-	-
£70,000 - £80,000	1	-
£80,000 - £90,000	-	1

f) 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 employee benefits (including employer pension contributions) received by key management personnel for their services to the academy trust was £105,987 excluding seconded staff, £197,228 including seconded staff (2016: £97,670 excluding seconded staff, £176,606 including seconded staff).

10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS - GOVERNORS' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

The Executive Head and staff governors only receive remuneration in respect of services they provide undertaking the roles of Principal and staff and not in respect of their services as governors. Other governors did not receive any payments from the Academy in respect of their roles as governors.

Mrs. J. Skinner (Executive Head) salary £71,075 (2016: £76,551) employers pension contributions of £11,713 (2016: £12,615). From 1 November 2015 to 31 March 2017 Mrs. Skinner was seconded to another school.

Mrs. K. Partington (Staff Governor) salary of £50,209 (2016: £47,056) and employers pension contributions of £8,236 (2016: £4,338).

Mrs. R. Denton (Staff Governor) salary of £33,952 (2016: £33,135) and employers pension contribution of £4,380 (2016: £2,911).

During the period ended 31 August 2017, travel and subsistence expenses totalling £Nil were reimbursed or paid directly to governors (2016: £Nil to governors).

Other related party transactions involving trustees are set out in note 23.

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In accordance with normal commercial practice the academy has purchased insurance to protect governors and officers from claims arising from negligent acts, errors or omissions occurring whilst on academy business. The insurance provides cover up to £1,000,000 on any one claim and the cost for the period ended 31 August 2017 was £935 (2016: £991).

The cost of this insurance is included in the total insurance costs.

12. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Leasehold Land and Buildings £	Fixtures and Fittings £	Computer Equipment £	Plant and Equipment £	Total £
Cost					
At 1 st September 2016	545,318	5,952	44,869	21,421	617,560
Additions	115,378	-	3,843	1,926	121,147
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
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At 31 August 2017	660,696	5,952	48,712	23,347	738,707
Depreciation					
At 1 st September 2016	82,216	4,477	32,470	9,690	128,853
Charge for the year	21,884	340	8,014	3,198	33,436
Eliminated on disposal	-	-	-	-	-
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At 31 August 2017	104,100	4,817	40,484	12,888	162,289
Net Book Values					
At 31 August 2017	556,596	1,135	8,228	10,459	576,418
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At 31 st August 2016	463,102	1,475	12,399	11,731	488,707
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13. STOCK

	Total 2017 £	Total 2016 £
Catering supplies and uniforms	1,303	2,002
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	1,303	2,002
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14. DEBTORS (all due within one year)

	Total 2017 £	Total 2016 £
Trade Debtors	5,851	8,850
VAT recoverable	1,676	2,433
Prepayments and accrued income	11,438	23,372
Other debtors	-	12
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	18,965	34,667
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	Total 2017 £	Total 2016 £
Trade creditors	22,925	8,937
Other taxes and social security	10,715	-
Other creditors	9,019	271
Accruals and deferred income	41,458	23,789
	<hr/> 84,117	<hr/> 32,997
Deferred income		
Deferred income at 1 September 2016	13,639	16,958
Released from previous years	(13,639)	(16,958)
Resources deferred in the year	20,179	13,639
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At the balance sheet date the academy trust was holding funds received in advance for universal infant free school meals and pupil premium.

16. FUNDS

	Balance 01/09/16 £	Incoming Resources £	Resources Expenses £	Gains, Losses & Transfers £	Balance 31/08/17 £
Restricted general funds					
General annual grant (GAG)	-	519,361	(537,737)	18,376	-
Pupil premium	-	17,000	(17,000)	-	-
Pension reserve	(248,000)	-	(41,000)	117,000	(172,000)
Other grants	-	55,469	(55,469)	-	-
Other income	-	86,410	(86,410)	-	-
	<hr/> (248,000)	<hr/> 678,240	<hr/> (737,616)	<hr/> 135,376	<hr/> (172,000)
Restricted fixed asset funds					
Transfer on conversion	452,604	-	(15,657)	-	436,947
ESFA capital grants	-	-	-	-	-
Capital expenditure from GAG	36,103	-	(17,779)	121,147	139,471
Private sector capital expenditure	-	-	-	-	-
	<hr/> 488,707	<hr/> -	<hr/> (33,436)	<hr/> 121,147	<hr/> 576,418
Total restricted funds	<hr/> 240,707	<hr/> 678,240	<hr/> (771,052)	<hr/> 256,523	<hr/> 404,418
Total Unrestricted funds	<hr/> 142,569	<hr/> 87,126	<hr/> (77,567)	<hr/> (139,523)	<hr/> 12,605
Total funds	<hr/> 383,276	<hr/> 765,366	<hr/> (848,619)	<hr/> 117,000	<hr/> 417,023

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16. FUNDS continued

The GAG may only be spent in compliance with the academy's funding agreement. In particular the amount of unspent funds carried forward is restricted as set out in note 2.

Other grants include:

Early Years Funding – the government provides funding for all 3 to 4 year old children, starting from the funding period after their third birthday until they start school, to attend an Ofsted registered early years childcare setting.

The trust is carrying a net surplus of £Nil on restricted general funds (excluding pension reserve)(2016: £Nil) plus unrestricted funds of £12,605 (2016: £142,569).

17. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

Fund balances at 31 August 2017 are represented by:

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted General Funds £	Restricted Fixed Asset Funds £	Total 2017 £	Total 2016 £
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	576,418	576,418	488,707
Current assets	96,722	-	-	96,722	175,566
Current liabilities	(84,117)	-	-	(84,117)	(32,997)
Pension scheme liability	-	(172,000)	-	(172,000)	(248,000)
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Total net assets	12,605	(172,000)	576,418	417,023	383,276
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18. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

	Total 2017 £	Total 2016 £
Contracted for, but not provided in the financial statements	-	86,492
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19. FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

Operating leases

At 31 August 2017 the total of the Academy Trust's future minimum lease payments under non- cancellable operating leases was:

	Total 2017 £	Total 2016 £
Amounts due within one year	2,609	2,100
Amounts due between two and five years	9,276	4,131
Amounts due after five years	-	-
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	11,885	6,231
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20. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

There are no contingent liabilities.

21. MEMBERS LIABILITY

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

22. 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 West Yorkshire Pensions Authority. Both are multi-employer defined-benefit schemes.

The pension costs are assessed in accordance with the advice of independent qualified actuaries. The latest actuarial valuation of the TPS was 31 March 2012 and of the LGPS 31 March 2016.

Contributions amounting to £8,893 (2016: £Nil) were payable to the schemes at 31 August 2017 and are included within creditors

Teachers' Pension Scheme

Introduction

The Teachers' Pension Scheme (TPS) is a statutory, contributory, defined benefit scheme, governed by the Teachers' Pensions Regulations (2010) and, from 1 April 2014, by the Teachers' Pension Scheme Regulations 2014. Membership is automatic for full-time teachers in academies and, from 1 January 2007, automatic for teachers in part-time employment following appointment or a change of contract, although they are able to opt out.

The TPS is an unfunded scheme and members contribute on a 'pay as you go' basis – these contributions along with those made by employers are credited to the Exchequer. Retirement and other pension benefits are paid by public funds provided by Parliament.

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. 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 2012 and in accordance with the Public Service Pensions (Valuations and Employer Cost Cap) Directions 2014. The valuation report was published by the Department for Education on 9 June 2014. The key elements of the valuation and subsequent consultation are:

- Employer contributions rates set at 16.48% of pensionable pay (including a 0.08% employer administration charge (currently 14.1%)).
- Total scheme liabilities (pensions currently in payment and the estimated cost of future benefits) for service to the effective date of £191,500 million, and notional assets (estimated future contributions together with the notional investments held at the valuation date) of £176,600 million giving a notional past service deficit of £14,900 million.
- An employer cost cap of 10.9% of pensionable pay will be applied to future valuations
- The assumed real rate of return is 3.0% in excess of prices and 2% in excess of earnings. The rate of real earnings growth is assumed to be 2.75%. The assumed nominal rate of return is 5.06%

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22. PENSION AND SIMILAR OBLIGATIONS (continued)

The TPS valuation for 2012 determined an employer rate of 16.4% which was payable from September 2015. The next valuation of the TPS is currently underway based on April 2016, whereupon the employer contribution rate is expected to be reassessed and will be payable from 1 April 2019.

The employer's pension costs paid to TPS in the period amounted to £44,885 (2016: £45,168).

A copy of the valuation report and supporting documentation is on the [Teachers' Pensions website](#).

Under the definitions set out in FRS102, the TPS is a multi-employer pension scheme. The trust has accounted for its contributions to the scheme as if it were a defined contribution scheme. The 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 for the year ended 31 August 2017 was £30,000 (2016: £32,000), of which employers contributions totalled £21,000 (2016: £23,000) and employees' contributions totalled £9,000 (2016: £9,000). The agreed contribution rates for future years is 11.3% for employers and 5.5% to 7.5% for employees depending on their scale rate.

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

Principal Actuarial Assumptions	At 31 August 2017	At 31 August 2016
Rate of increase in salaries	3.15%	3.40%
Rate of increase for pensions in payment/inflation	1.90%	1.90%
Discount rate for scheme liabilities	2.50%	2.00%
Inflation assumption (CPI)	1.90%	1.90%
Commutation of pensions to lump sums	75.00%	75.00%

The current mortality assumptions include sufficient allowance for future improvements in mortality rates.

The assumed life expectations on retirement age 65 are:

	At 31 August 2017	At 31 August 2016
Retiring today		
Males	22.1	22.7
Females	25.2	25.6
Retiring in 20 years		
Males	23.0	24.9
Females	27.0	28.0

Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust**Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2017****22. PENSIONS AND SIMILAR OBLIGATIONS (continued)****Local Government Pension Scheme (continued)**

The academy trusts' share of the assets and liabilities of the scheme were:

	Fair value as at 31 August 2017 £	Fair value as at 31 August 2016 £
Equity instruments	318,980	267,330
Debt instruments	52,515	51,590
Property	17,505	16,080
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	389,000	335,000
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The actual return on the assets was £25,000 (2016: £50,000)

Amounts recognised in the statement of financial activities

	2017 £	2016 £
Current service cost (net of employee contributions)	57,000	30,000
Net interest cost	5,000	3,000
Past service costs	-	1,000
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Total operating charge	62,000	34,000
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Changes in the present value of defined obligations were as follows

	2017 £	2016 £
At 1 September 2016	583,000	328,000
Current service cost	57,000	30,000
Interest cost	12,000	13,000
Employee contributions	9,000	9,000
Actuarial (gain)/loss	(9,900)	203,000
Benefits paid	(1,000)	(1,000)
Plan introductions, benefit changes, curtailments and settlements	-	1,000
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At 31 August 2017	561,000	583,000
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Horbury Bridge St Johns Academy Trust**Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2017****22. PENSION AND SIMILAR OBLIGATIONS (continued)****Local Government Pension Scheme (continued)****Changes in the fair view of academy's share of scheme assets**

	2017	2016
	£	£
At 1 September 2016	335,000	254,000
Interest income	7,000	10,000
Return on plan assets (excluding net interest on the net defined pension liability)	-	-
Actuarial (gain)/loss	18,000	40,000
Employer contributions	21,000	23,000
Employee contributions	9,000	9,000
Benefits paid	(1,000)	(1,000)
Plan introductions, benefit changes, curtailments and settlements	-	-
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At 31 August 2017	389,000	335,000
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23. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Owing to the nature of the Academy's operations and the composition of the board of governors being drawn from local public and private sector organisations, it is inevitable that transactions may take place with organisations in which a member of the board of governors may have an interest. All transactions involving such organisations are conducted at arm's length and in accordance with the Academy's financial regulations and normal procurement procedures. The following related party transactions took place in the period of account

- During the year the Academy paid for Staff Absence Insurance amounting to £8,260 (2016: £6,851). This was provided by Schools Advisory Services, a company which Mr. John Brady (Chair of Governors) is a director.
- The Academy received sponsorship of £Nil (2016: £10,000). This was given by Schools Advisory Services, a company which Mr. John Brady (Chair of Governors) is a director.