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Registered number: 08023418 Charity number: 1151793

SWAN EDUCATION PARTNERSHIP LIMITED

(A company limited by guarantee)

UNAUDITED

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE COMPANY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

Trustees

C A Staley, Headteacher

T A Jones, Headteacher

J R Clarke, Headteacher

J S Bennett, Headteacher (appointed 6 April 2015)

J Cartwright, Headteacher (appointed 18 May 2015)

C M Renihan, Headteacher

C Whitmore, Headteacher

I H Colling, Headteacher

P A Hutchison, Headteacher (resigned 31 March 2015)

D J M Howell, Trustee (resigned 6 November 2014)

Company registered number

08023418

Charity registered number

1151793

Registered office

Moulton School Pound Lane Moulton Northampton NN3 7SD

Accountants

MHA MacIntyre Hudson Chartered Accountants & Statutory Auditors Peterbridge House The Lakes Northampton NN4 7HB

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TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

The Trustees (who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act) present their annual report together with the financial statements of Swan Education Partnership Limited (the charity) for the year ended 31 August 2015. The Trustees confirm that the Annual report and financial statements of the company comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the company's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in March 2005.

Structure, governance and management

CONSTITUTION

The charity is registered as a charitable company limited by guarantee with Charitable Status. The company was incorporated on 10 April 2012. The charitable company's Memorandum and Articles of Association are the primary governing documents of the charity trust.

The trustees are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law. The charitable company is known as Swan Education Partnership Limited.

Details of the Trustees who served throughout the year are included in the Reference and Administrative Details on page 1.

MEMBERS' LIABILITY

Each member of the charitable company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the charitable company in the event of it being wound up while they are a member, or within one year after they cease to be a member, such amount as may be required, not exceeding £1, for the debts and liabilities contracted before they ceased to be a member.

RECRUITMENT AND APPOINTMENT OF NEW TRUSTEES

New Trustees are appointed by existing Trustees as and when required. The Charity aims to recruit new Trustees from as diverse backgrounds as possible but ensures during the recruitment process that they are eligible to act as Trustees.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The Trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Objectives and Activities

OBJECTIVES AND AIMS

The mission of the Swan Education Partnership is to provide services and advice to support the SWAN educational providers, community and staff, through quality expertise, resources and collaboration which ensures learning, development and academic excellence.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITIES

The charity's main activities are as follows;

Business Engagement Activity
Post-16 progression routes
Behaviour and Attendance partnership
Curriculum partnership

More detail of these activities can be found in the achievement and performance section.

Achievements and performance

Throughout 2014-2015, the Partnership has continued to drive forward its work in developing high quality educational provision throughout its member schools. This has been achieved through appropriate service level agreements with key providers and through the collaborative work of Headteachers and senior leaders.

Business Engagement

The partnership continued to work with Proactive Education to deliver a significant business engagement programme. This included a variety of activity days across the SWAN schools, including Y9 and Y10 students being involved, for example, in a hotel challenge day or a logistics challenge day. These activities involved working for the day with employers, developing an understanding of marketing, finance, communication issues, and in developing team working skills.

There have been post-16 support days, ensuring sixth form students leave school prepared for the world of work. These have included CV writing, the application process and mock interviews. Apprentice roadshows have also been available to support students in Y10 and Y11.

Work related competitions across the partnership have also taken place.

Behaviour and Attendance

Senior leaders from the member schools met to share best practice and to help continue to drive improvements in behaviour and attendance across the partnership. Swan EP also continued to work with JOGO, a behaviour intervention group who have been working individually with each of the partner schools. This support has included individual and group direct student intervention work, training for school staff, and behaviour surgeries, in which teaching colleagues could gain advice for specific or more general behaviour management concerns. The direction of this work has become increasingly focused on building capacity within member schools. The group has also worked closely on identifying best practice in managing attendance, supporting increased attendance within partner schools. Direct training run by and for the partnership has included training for support staff and year leaders.

Teaching and Learning

The partnership have also remained committed to working collaboratively on improving Teaching & Learning, predominantly through the Teaching School Alliance..

Curriculum and Accountability

This group of senior leaders have focused on coordinating and sharing best practice in relation to responding to the curriculum and examination changes, including tracking against the new 9-1 GCSE grades, and considering assessment post-levels.

SWAN Challenge

The partnership has continued with its peer challenge programme, built on the best practice from successful similar models. In this, each school is visited for 2.5 days by a team of trained senior staff from other partnership schools, led by a trained experienced inspector. Using RAISE data as a springboard, the challenge team visit lessons and work with staff and students at the host school to develop a challenge report, reflecting strengths

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seen and possible areas for improvement. Six schools were involved in the programme this year.

Pupil Premium

A further group of senior leaders have focused on sharing best practice in relation to raising the achievement of pupil premium students.

Best Practice Groups

There have been regular meetings of other groups from within the partnership schools to share and develop best practice. These have included Business Managers, Heads of Sixth Form and Exam Officers.

Planned Developments 2015-16

Various senior leadership groups will continue into 2015-16, including Curriculum and Accountability, Behaviour Intervention, Pupil Premium and Heads of Sixth Form, all with key foci set by the Headteachers' group.

Finance is being used to support the Teaching School Alliance, enabling member schools to access significant CPD opportunities, and also to support Independent Advice and Guidance activities. A successful bid was also made from the LA's Race to the Top initiative to support activities in schools to raise the achievement of pupil premium students, including this year's SWAN Challenge.

Given the costs associated with running Swan EP as a CiC, and the absence of new funds to the partnership, the directors are also considering winding up the CiC during the current academic year.

Financial review

RESERVES POLICY

The model for our Charity is such that we do not directly employ anyone, so that to that end we do not carry a financial reserve.

In preparing this report, the Trustees have taken advantage of the small companies exemptions provided by section 415A of the Companies Act 2006.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 18 November 2015 and signed on their behalf by:

T A Jones Trustee

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF SWAN EDUCATION PARTNERSHIP LIMITED

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 August 2015 which are set out on pages 7 to 13.

This report is made solely to the company's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the company's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

The Trustees, who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the company is not subject to audit under charity or company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the company and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT (continued) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Dated:

27 mm 2015

Elaine Olson-Williams FCCA

MHA MACINTYRE HUDSON

Chartered Accountants
Peterbridge House
The Lakes
Northampton
NN4 7HB

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (incorporating income and expenditure account) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2015 £	Total funds 2015 £	Total funds 2014 £
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Incoming resources from generated funds: Voluntary income Investment income	2 3	120,863 199	120,863 199	156,381 364
Incoming resources from charitable activities	4	-	-	1,150
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		121,062	121,062	157,895
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Charitable activities Governance costs	5,6 7	158,179 4,013	158,179 4,013	153,374 4,157
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		162,192	162,192	157,531
MOVEMENT IN TOTAL FUNDS FOR THE YEAR - NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) FOR THE YEAR		(41,130)	(41,130)	364
Total funds at 1 September 2014		190,304	190,304	189,940
TOTAL FUNDS AT 31 AUGUST 2015		149,174	149,174	190,304

The notes on pages 9 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 AUGUST 2015

	A 1 .		2015	•	2014
	Note	£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS		•			
Tangible assets	10		-		823
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	11	61,032		25,506	
Cash at bank		89,642		311,126	
	-	150,674		336,632	
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within					
one year	12	(1,500)		(147,151)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS	_		149,174		189,481
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILI	TIES	•	149,174	-	190,304
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CHARITY FUNDS					
Unrestricted funds	13		149,174	<u>-</u>	190,304
TOTAL FUNDS			149,174		190,304
		:		=	

The Trustees consider that the company is entitled to exemption from the requirement to have an audit under the provisions of section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 ("the Act") and members have not required the company to obtain an audit for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Act.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at 31 August 2015 and of its net resources expended for the year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 of the Act and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 18 November 2015 and signed on their behalf, by:

T A Jones Trustee

The notes on pages 9 to 13 form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008). The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' published in March 2005, applicable accounting standards and the Companies Act 2006.

1.2 Company status

The company is a company limited by guarantee. The members of the company are the Trustees named on page 1. In the event of the company being wound up, the liability in respect of the guarantee is limited to £1 per member of the company.

1.3 Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

1.4 Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of financial activities when the company has entitlement to the funds, certainty of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

1.5 Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been included under expense categories that aggregate all costs for allocation to activities. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular activities they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of the resources.

Support costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the company. Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the company and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Grants offered subject to conditions which have not been met at the year end date are noted as a commitment but not accrued as expenditure.

1.6 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Office equipment

33% on cost

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1. **ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

1.7 Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

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2.	VOLUNTARY INCOME			
		Unrestricted funds 2015 £	Total funds 2015 £	Total funds 2014 £
	Subscriptions	-	-	56,250
	Grants	120,863 ————	120,863	100,131
	Voluntary income	120,863	120,863	156,381
3.	INVESTMENT INCOME			
		Unrestricted funds	Total funds	Total funds
		2015	2015	2014
		£	£	£
	Bank account interest	199	199 —————	364
4.	INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACT	TIVITIES		
		Unrestricted	Total	Total

	2015 £	2015 £	2014 £
Training income	-	-	1,150
	-	•	1,150

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5.	DIRECT COSTS			
		Activities	Total 2015	Total 2014
	Transportation costs	Activities	2013	341
	Transportation costs Course consumables	• -	•	882
	Delivery of courses	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	-	12,611
	Grants paid to institutions	18,429	18,429	23,509
	Consultancy	135,731	135,731	101,113
	Staff training	•	•	3,067
		154,160	154,160	141,523
6.	SUPPORT COSTS			
			Total	Total
			2015	2014
	Advertising & marketing			120
	Meetings & conferences		-	3,363
	Subscriptions		-	1,601
	Refreshments		-	236
	Postage & carriage		26	26
	Depreciation		823	1,329
	Insurance Bad debt write off		996 60	996
	Computer costs		114	302
	Networking events		-	26
	Administration		2,000	3,852
		•	4,019	11,851
7.	GOVERNANCE COSTS			
		Unrestricted	Total	Total
		funds	funds	funds
		2015	2015	2014
		£	£	£
	Accountancy	4,013	4,013	4,157

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8. NET INCOMING / (OUTGOING) RESOURCES

This is stated after charging:

	2015 £	2014 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets:		
- owned by the charity	823	1,329
Accountancy fees	4,013	4,157

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration (2014 - £NIL). During the year, no Trustees received any benefits in kind (2014 - £NIL). During the year, no Trustees received any reimbursement of expenses (2014 - £NIL).

9. STAFF COSTS

The company has no employees other than the Trustees, who did not receive any remuneration (2014 - £NIL).

The company paid administration costs of £2,000 (2014 - £3,852) during the year.

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Office equipment £
Cost	
At 1 September 2014 and 31 August 2015	3,987
Depreciation	
At 1 September 2014	3,164
Charge for the year	823
At 31 August 2015	3,987
Net book value	
At 31 August 2015	-
At 31 August 2014	823

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

11.	DEBTORS		
		2015 £	2014 £
	Trade debtors VAT repayable Prepayments and accrued income	60,362 670 -	120 4,551 20,835
		61,032	25,506
12.	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year		
		2015 £	2014 £
	Trade creditors Accruals and deferred income	- 1,500	24,985 122,166
		1,500	147,151

Included in accruals and deferred income is £nil (2014 - £117,866) of deferred government grants. Grant income is recognised in the year which it is spent.

13. SUMMARY OF FUNDS

	Brought Forward £	Incoming resources £	Resources Expended £	Carried Forward £
Unrestricted funds:				
General funds	190,304	121,062	(162,192)	149,174

14. CONTROLLING PARTY / RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In the opinion of the directors, the charitable company has no ultimate controlling party.

There were no transactions with related parties during the year (2014 - nil).