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KIDGATE PRIMARY ACADEMY

(A company limited by guarantee)

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Members

B Barber

N Cudmore

| Watson

Governors

E Collins (resigned 2 February 2023)

M Dunn (appointed 2 February 2023) E Evans (resigned 8 March 2023)

S Fieldsend, Staff Governor (appointed 24 November 2022)

D Hobson, Chair of Governors M Hull (appointed 2 February 2023)

P Lidbury, Head Teacher and Accounting Officer

C Romaine

E Stead (resigned 2 February 2023)

R Taylor S Topham

I Watson (resigned 31 August 2023) A Wright (appointed 19 April 2023)

Company Registered

Number

08151355

Company Name

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L Crew

Head Teacher and Accounting Officer P Lidbury

Senior Leadership

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Chartered Accountants & Statutory Auditor

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

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GOVERNORS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

The governors present their annual report together with the financial statements and auditor's report of the charitable company for the period 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023. The annual report serves the purposes of both a trustees' report under charity law and a directors' report under company law.

The charitable company operates as a standalone primary academy for pupils aged 4 - 11 serving a catchment area in Louth, Lincolnshire. It has a pupil capacity of 420 and had a roll of 422 in the school census in January 2023.

Structure, Governance and Management

Constitution

The academy 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. The governors are the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law and trustees of the charity for charity law. The charitable company is known as Kidgate Primary Academy.

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

Members' Liability

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

Governors' Indemnities

In accordance with common practice, the academy has purchased insurance to protect the governors and officers from claims arising from academy business activities.

Method of Recruitment and Appointment or Election of Governors

The number of governors shall not be less than three but not subject to any maximum. In terms of the appointment of governors:

- · The members may appoint up to 8 governors.
- The members may appoint staff governors through such process as they may determine, provided that
 the total number of governors (including the Head Teacher) who are employees of the academy does not
 exceed one third of the total of governors.
- The LA may appoint the LA governor.
- The Head Teacher shall be treated for all purposes as being an ex officio governor.
- Subject to Article 57, the parent governors shall be elected by parents of registered pupils at the
 academy. A parent governor must be 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
 the opportunity to do so by post or, if he prefers, by having his ballot paper returned to the academy by a
 registered pupil at the academy.
- Where a vacancy for a parent governor is required to be filled by election, the Governing Body shall take such steps as are reasonably practical to secure that every person who is known to them to be a parent of a registered pupil at the academy is informed of the vacancy and that it is required to be filled by election, informed that he is entitled to stand as candidate, and vote at the election, and given the opportunity to do so.
- The number of parent governors required shall be made up by parent governors appointed by the Governing Body if the number of parents standing for election is less than the number of vacancies.

GOVERNORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

- In appointing a parent governor the Governing Body shall appoint a person who is the parent of a
 registered pupil at the academy; or where it is not reasonably practical to do so, a person who is the
 parent of a child of compulsory school age.
- The governors may appoint up to 3 co-opted governors. A 'co-opted governor' means a person who is appointed to be a governor by being co-opted by governors who have not themselves been so appointed. The governors shall co-opt an employee of the academy as co-opted governor if thereby the number of governors who are employees of the academy would exceed one third of the total number of governors (including the Head Teacher).

Policles and Procedures Adopted for the Induction and Training of Governors

New governors receive the documentation below and are invited into school for a walk with the Head Teacher and to meet their mentor, an experienced governor to support them in their new role.

- · Letter of Welcome Select Mentor.
- · Dates of Meetings.
- Structure of Governing Body and Governor List.
- Governance Handbook (link online).
- Terms of Reference for Committees.
- School Improvement Plan.
- Ofsted Report (link online).
- List of Acronyms.
- Terms of Reference for Governing Body.
- DBS Information.
- Declaration of Eligibility.
- Code of Conduct.
- Pecuniary Interest Form.
- Skills Audit.

Organisational Structure

The management structure of the academy consists of the Governing Body and its specific committees and the Senior Leadership Team.

The Governing Body takes a strategic role, acts as a critical friend to the academy and is accountable for its decisions. It sets the aims and objectives and agrees, monitors and review policies, targets and priorities. Detailed Terms of Reference exist for the Governing Body as a whole and the specific committees in place.

The Governing Body is headed up by the Chair of Governors whose role it is to ensure the business of the Governing Body is conducted properly, in accordance with the Articles of Association, to ensure meetings are run effectively, focusing on priorities and making the best use of time available and and to ensure that all members have an equal opportunity to participate in discussion and decision making and to establish and foster an effective relationship with the Head Teacher based on trust and mutual respect for each other's roles. The Chair of Governors has an important role in ensuring that the Governing Body acts as a sounding board to the Head Teacher.

The Head Teacher is the academy's Accounting Officer who has responsibility for the academy's overall management and staffing. The Accounting Officer, is personally responsible to Parliament, and to the Accounting Officer of the ESFA, for the resources under their control, and is responsible for assuring the governors that there is compliance with the Academy Trust Handbook, the academy's Funding Agreement and all relevant aspects of company and charitable law. The Accounting Officer also has responsibilities for keeping proper financial records and accounts, and for the management of opportunities and risks.

The delivery of the academy's detailed accounting processes is delegated to the Business Manager whose key responsibilities include: preparation of the annual accounts; preparation and monitoring of the budget; technical financial advice; and liaison with the academy's internal and external auditors.

GOVERNORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

Arrangements for Setting Pay and Remuneration of Key Management Personnel

The Governing Body sets the salary range for the senior teaching staff and business manager. Any progression is based on performance criteria as set within the performance management cycle of the academy pay policy. The Finance, Audit and Personnel Committee receive recommendations from the Head Teacher and the committee will consider them in line with the pay policy. Nominated Governor Reviewers undertake the Performance Management of the Head Teacher (with the assistance of an external adviser) and will make recommendations on any pay progression to the personnel committee.

Related Parties and Other Connected Charities and Organisations

A register of business interests is completed annually by the governors and staff. The governors of the academy recognise that the Kidgate Primary Home and School Association works on behalf of the academy to raise additional funds for the benefit of the pupils within the academy.

Objectives and Activities

Objects and Aims

The principal object of the company is the operation of Kidgate Primary Academy to provide education for pupils of mixed gender and different abilities between the ages of 4 and 11. Children enter and exit the academy through Lincolnshire LA Admissions code of practice, having no selection criteria.

The main objectives of the academy are summarised below:

- To ensure that every child enjoys the same high quality education in terms of resourcing, teaching and care.
- To continue to raise the standard of educational achievement and progress of all our children.
- 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 the local Community and local area schools.
- To conduct the academy's business in accordance with the highest standards of integrity, probity and
 openness.

Objectives, Strategies and Activities

The academy's main strategy is encompassed in its mission statement, 'Shaping Lives, Building Futures', and its aims are to:

- Provide an inspiring, creative education, encouraging all children to become the best they can be.
- Develop confident and successful life-long learners.
- Promote a safe, supportive and aspirational atmosphere.
- Develop happy, considerate, independent children; building respect and high self-esteem.

Activities provide:

- Teaching and learning for all children to ensure they reach their full potential.
- Tracking of pupil progress, especially those in receipt of Pupil Premium.
- Continued Professional Development opportunities for all staff, along with annual performance management.
- Extended school provision including Breakfast Club and a range of after-school activities.
- Promoting community cohesion.
- Supporting the welfare of staff, children and families through the challenges of a global pandemic.
- Providing a working and educational environment which operates under the Government Guidelines of 'Guidance for Full Opening: Schools'.

GOVERNORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

Public Benefit

The governors confirm they have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Strategic Report

Achievements and Performance

We pride ourselves on our high standards across all areas including our continued outstanding overall effectiveness.

The academy will continue striving to improve the levels of progress achieved by all the children. The Governing Body will continue to monitor the Academy Development Plan and Self Evaluation to ensure Ofsted Outstanding criteria is maintained and built upon.

Key Performance Indicators

All reportable assessments were reinstated for the Academic year 2022-23 and Kidgate Primary Academy compares its performance against both local and national data, for end of Key Stage outcomes in EYFS, KS1 and KS2.

Attainment:

EYFS - 67% Good Level of Development, compared to Local Authority outcome of 67%.

Year 1 Phonics - 80% working at the standard level, compared to Local Authority outcome of 77%.

KS1 Reading - 68% at the Expected Standard (Local Authority 66%); 23% at Greater Depth (LA 16%).

KS1 Writing - 58% at the Expected Standard (Local Authority 57%); 8% at Greater Depth (LA 7%). KS1 Maths - 77% at the Expected Standard (Local Authority 68%); 28% at Greater Depth (LA 15%).

KS2 Reading - 80% at the Expected Standard (National 73%); 22% at Greater Depth.

KS2 Writing - 64% at the Expected Standard (National 71%); 3% at Greater Depth.

KS2 Maths - 80% at the Expected Standard (National 73%); 22% at Greater Dept.h

KS2 Reading, Writing, Maths combined - 66% at the Expected Standard (National 59%); 7% at Greater Depth.

KS2 SPAG - 59% at the Expected Standard (National 59%); 5% at the Higher Standard.

Going Concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Governing Body has a reasonable expectation that the academy 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.

GOVERNORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

Financial Review

The academy's main source of recurrent income is from the ESFA. Other income is received from the Local Authority for Special Educational Needs funding.

For the year ended 31 August 2023, the academy has reported an overall deficit of £66,880 (2022 - £158,241). The deficit reported includes LGPS adjustments of an income of £7,000 (2022 - expense of £200,000) and a capital deficit of £4,936 (2022 - surplus of £6,026). Fixed assets of £nil (2022 - £64,465) have been acquired from revenue funds. The overall reduction in academy revenue funds excluding pension was £68,944 (2022 - £28,732).

The academy held fund balances at 31 August 2023 of £3,376,347 comprising £642,613 of restricted funds, a pension reserve balance of £nil, restricted fixed asset funds of £2,730,256 and unrestricted funds of £3,478. Of the total unrestricted funds, £2,216 has been designated towards an outdoor learning project.

Reserves Policy

The Capital and Reserves Policy adopted by governors states that the policy of the academy is to carry forward a prudent level of resources designed to meet the long term cyclical needs of renewal and any other unforeseen contingencies, subject to the constraint that the level of resources does not exceed the level permitted by the DIF

At the year-end, the balance on restricted general funds (excluding pension reserve) plus unrestricted funds was £646,091 represented mostly by General Annual Grant and Pupil Premium Funding.

Of the total restricted fixed asset fund, a balance of £2,707,374 can only be realised by disposing of tangible fixed assets.

Investment Policy

The Governors have an Investments Policy in order to meet the duties under the Academies Articles of Association and the Academy Trust Handbook, to invest monies surplus to operational requirements. The Finance and Personnel committee monitor the cash flow position and investments and the policy is reviewed on an annual basis.

Principal Risks and Uncertainties

Major risks to which the academy is exposed are constantly being identified and reviewed. Systems and procedures have been established to manage those risks. The internal control systems and the exposure to risks are matters that are considered on a regular basis by management and the governors.

Fundraising

There is one approach to fundraising associated with Kidgate Primary Academy:

The Home School Association (parent association) is a charity in its own right which organises school-community events throughout the school year, outside of school hours. This generates income for the HSA which is then donated to the school to support a range of curricular / non-curricular provision. Decisions about the allocation of funding to the school is democratically voted upon by the HSA committee.

GOVERNORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

The nature of any expenditure is communicated to all stakeholders and there is complete transparency in how all monies are used. Strong consideration is given to the nature and amount of fundraising events, so as not to put undue pressure on children and parents.

Plans for Future Periods

Curriculum Provision: 1.

- Through our vibrant, knowledge and reading-rich project based curriculum, re-engage and enthuse pupils so they are 'ready to progress'.
- Continue to develop and evolve the curriculum, which supports children to develop aspirations, be confident, independent, self- assured learners who display excellent attitudes to all aspects of school life.

2.

- Further embed the existing, effective provision of pastoral and welfare support and its capacity to meet the growing demand for children, families and staff.
- Through the curriculum, children understand the importance of physical and mental health and know how to keep themselves healthy.

3. Leadership:

- Further strengthen the local governing body by recruiting staff and director appointed governors to join existing members.
- Enhance the function of the Governor Committees to enable highly effective monitoring and evaluation of progress towards strategic priorities.
- Enhance middle leadership capacity and responsibilities.

4. Staff Development:

- Use WALKTHRUs evidence-based research teaching strategies to ensure high quality teaching in core
- strands in every year group.
 Use WALKTHRUs CPD to support quality first teaching and develop a professional culture of collaborative reflection and self-improvement.

Site / Premises: 5.

Maintain, develop and enhance the premises and site of Kidgate to ensure first-class facilities for staff, children and the wider community.

GOVERNORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

Auditor

Insofar 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.

The Governors' report, incorporating a strategic report, was approved by order of the Governing Body, as the company directors, on 13 December 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

D Hobson Chair of Governors

GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

Scope of responsibility

As governors, we acknowledge we have overall responsibility for ensuring that Kidgate Primary Academy has an effective and appropriate system of control, financial and otherwise. However, such a system is designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve business objectives, and can provide only reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss.

As governors, we have reviewed and taken account of the guidance in DfE's Governance Handbook and competency framework for governance.

The Governing Body has delegated the day-to-day responsibility to the Head Teacher, as accounting officer, for ensuring financial controls conform with the requirements of both propriety and good financial management and in accordance with the requirements and responsibilities assigned to it in the funding agreement between Kidgate Primary Academy 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. The Governing Body has formally met 5 times during the year.

Attendance during the year at meetings of the Governing Body was as follows:

Governor	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
E Collins	1	2
M Dunn	3	3
E Evans	1	2
S Fieldsend, Staff Governor	3	5
D Hobson, Chair of Governors	4	5
M Huit	3	3
P Lidbury, Head Teacher and Accounting Officer	4	5
C Romaine	3	5
E Stead	2	2
R Taylor	3	5
S Topham	5	5
l Watson	5	5
A Wright	2	2

During the year, there were 4 governor appointments, 2 resignations with 2 further resignations upon terms of office ending.

Conflicts of Interest

The academy maintains an up-to-date register of interests which is visible on its website. Declarations of any interest in any agenda items are made at the beginning of any meetings. Governors are excluded from any decision-making where any interest exists.

The governors have confirmed that the Governing Body have sufficient expertise and resources during the year.

Whilst the Governing Body met less than 6 times during the year, this was supplemented by the provision of financial and other reports to keep governors informed of key financial and curriculum matters so that they can be assured funds are being adequately used.

GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (CONTINUED)

Governance (continued)

The Finance, Audit and Personnel Committee is a sub-committee of the main Governing Body. Its purpose is to:

- assist the decision making of the governing body, by enabling more detailed consideration to be given to
 the best means of fulfilling the governing body's responsibility to ensure sound management of the
 academy's finances and resources, including proper planning, monitoring and probity.
- to make appropriate comments and recommendations on such matters to the governing body on a regular basis.

Attendance during the year at meetings was as follows:

Governor	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
P Lidbury	3	3
E Stead	1	1
S Topham	3	3
l Watson	3	3

Review of value for money

As accounting officer, the Head Teacher has responsibility for ensuring that the academy 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 academy's use of its resources has provided good value for money during each academic year, and reports to the Governing Body where value for money can be improved, including the use of benchmarking data where appropriate. The accounting officer for the academy has delivered improved value for money during the year by:

Educational Standards continue to be high. Where standards do not meet our expectations and aspirations, there are strategies and plans in place to address these. The Senior Leadership Team continues to strengthen with the roles of the Headteacher, Deputy Head Teacher, Assistant Head Teacher and the School Business Manager firmly embedded and impacting. Teaching and support staff across the school continue to deliver high quality teaching and learning and this is underpinned by sound assessment procedures and active plans to review and improve. Subject Leadership continues to be re-focused and staff in new roles are empowered and engaged to lead their subject areas forwards through good quality monitoring and action-planning. The project-based approach to curriculum provision across the whole school provides a broad and enriched experience which sees children engaged and enthusiastic in learning tailored to their needs and their place within our local community.

The Finance, Audit and Personnel Committee receive regular reports and updates regarding the financial position of the academy. Opportunity is given for questioning and interrogating expenditure. The academy's Finance Policy and Regulations are adhered to which ensures that all purchase orders are raised and have been authorised. The Business Manager ensures that best value is obtained from Suppliers by comparing prices and services offered. The Finance, Audit and Personnel Committee are regularly consulted regarding contracts and services purchased.

GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (CONTINUED)

Review of value for money (continued)

There have been a number of improvements in the year as to how the Academy uses their resources to deliver better value for money, such as:

- Increased usage of Virtual platforms such as MS Teams for meetings, rather than face to face has led to a more effective use of resources, both from a cost and time perspective.
- Maintaining strong relationships with local Contractors to ensure competitive pricing and to also ensure all maintenance work is completed within sufficient timescales.
- Vital and urgent repairs to stone ledges and corbling at the front of the school, which was a health and safety risk.
- Investment in educational materials to further enhance the quality of resources available to teachers and pupils.

An internal auditor is appointed to audit the governance and financial operation and the report produced from the audit is examined by the Full Governing Body and followed through by the Finance, Audit and Personnel Committee. The Finance, Audit and Personnel Committee reviews and ensures that all recommendations have been implemented and are adhered to.

Services and contracts are appraised or renegotiated to get the best mix of quality and effectiveness for the least cost. The academy uses local suppliers and regularly renegotiates to ensure that prices are kept competitive for consumables. The academy also uses the internet to search for products at the best price. ESPO buying group works on behalf of the academy to obtain the best possible deal for Electricity, Gas and other contracts. A range of different options are always considered before making purchases, including an assessment of the costs and benefits of the alternatives. The academy invites companies to tender to get the best deal.

The academy follows the guidance and principals contained within the Academy Trust Handbook and the regular briefings received from the ESFA to ensure that best practice is followed at all times.

The purpose of the system of internal control

The system of internal control is designed to manage risk to a reasonable level rather than to eliminate all risk of failure to achieve policies, aims and objectives. It can, therefore, only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance of effectiveness. The system of internal control is based on an on-going process designed to identify and prioritise the risks to the achievement of academy policies, aims and objectives, to evaluate the likelihood of those risks being realised and the impact should they be realised, and to manage them efficiently, effectively and economically. The system of internal control has been in place in Kidgate Primary Academy for the year 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023 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 is exposed together with the operating, financial and compliance controls that have been implemented to miligate those risks. The Governing Body is of the view that there is a formal ongoing process for identifying, evaluating and managing the academy's significant risks that has been in place for the year 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements. This process is regularly reviewed by the Governing Body.

GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (CONTINUED)

The risk and control framework

The academy'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, Audit and Personnel Committee of reports which indicate financial
 performance against the forecasts and of major purchase plans, capital works and expenditure
 programmes;
- setting targets to measure financial and other performance;
- · clearly defined purchasing (asset purchase or capital investment) guidelines; and
- identification and management of risks.

The Governing Body has decided to buy-in an internal audit service from Forrester Boyd.

The reviewer's role includes giving advice on financial and other matters and performing a range of checks on the academy's financial systems. In particular, the checks carried out in the current period included:

- Review of Payroll Controls & Authorisation.
- Review of Salary Controls.
- Review of Non-grant Income Controls.
- Review of Grant Income Controls.

On an annual basis, the internal auditor reports to the Governing Body through the Finance, Audit and Personnel Committee on the operation of the systems of control and on the discharge of the Governing Body's financial responsibilities and annually prepares a summary report to the committee outlining the areas reviewed, key findings, recommendations and conclusions to help the committee consider actions and assess year on year progress.

During the year, the internal auditor has delivered their schedule of work as planned. No material control issues arose as a result of the internal auditors' work. Other matters raised have been reviewed and are being addressed.

GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (CONTINUED)

Review of effectiveness

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

- · the work of the internal auditor,
- the school resource management self-assessment tool;
- the work of the executive managers within the academy who have responsibility for the development and maintenance of the internal control framework; and
- the work of the external auditor.

The accounting officer has been advised of the implications of the result of their review of the system of internal control by the Finance, Audit and Personnel Committee and a plan to address weaknesses and ensure continuous improvement of the system is in place.

Approved by order of the members of the Governing Body on 13 December 2n2-3 and signed on their behalf by:

D Hobson Chair of Governors P Lidbury Accounting Officer

STATEMENT OF REGULARITY, PROPRIETY AND COMPLIANCE

As accounting officer of Kidgate Primary Academy, I have considered my responsibility to notify the academy Governing Body and the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) of material irregularity, impropriety and non-compliance with terms and conditions of all funding, including for estates safety and management, under the funding agreement between the academy and the Secretary of State for Education. As part of my consideration I have had due regard to the requirements of the Academy Trust Handbook 2022, including responsibilities for estates safety and management.

I confirm that I and the academy Governing Body are able to identify any material irregular or improper use of all funds by the academy, or material non-compliance with the terms and conditions of funding under the academy's funding agreement and the Academy Trust Handbook 2022.

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 ESFA.

P Lidbury

Accounting Officer
Date: 13 December 2023

STATEMENT OF GOVERNORS' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

The governors (who are also the 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 Academies Accounts Direction published by the Education and Skills Funding Agency, United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the 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 then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP 2019 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2022 to 2023;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- 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 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 on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from tegislation in other jurisdictions.

Approved by order of the members of the Governing Body on i3 December 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

D Hobson Chair of Governors

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF KIDGATE PRIMARY ACADEMY

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Kidgate Primary Academy (the 'academy') for the year ended 31 August 2023 which comprise the Statement of financial activities, the Balance sheet, the Statement of cash flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law, United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', the Charities SORP 2019 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2022 to 2023 issued by the Education and Skills Funding Agency.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the academy's affairs as at 31 August 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006, the Charities SORP 2019 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2022 to 2023 issued by the Education and Skills Funding Agency.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the academy in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

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

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF KIDGATE PRIMARY ACADEMY (CONTINUED)

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the Annual report other than the financial statements and our Auditor's report thereon. The governors are responsible for the other information contained within the Annual report. 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. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. 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 Governors' report including the Strategic report for the financial year for which
 the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.
- the Governors' report and the Strategic report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of our knowledge and understanding of the academy and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Governors' report including the Strategic report.

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

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

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF KIDGATE PRIMARY ACADEMY (CONTINUED)

Responsibilities of governors

As explained more fully in the Statement of governors' responsibilities, 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 governors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

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

Our approach to identifying and assessing the risks of material misstatement in respect of irregularities, including fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations, was as follows:

- the engagement partner ensured that the engagement team collectively had the appropriate competence, capabilities and skills to identify or recognise non-compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- we identified the laws and regulations applicable to the academy through discussions with the governors and other management, and from our commercial knowledge and experience of the academy and sector in which it operates;
- we focused on specific laws and regulations which we considered may have a direct material effect on the financial statements or the operations of the academy, including relevant DfE and ESFA guidance, the Companies Act 2006, taxation legislation, data protection, anti-bribery, employment, environmental, health and safety and pupil welfare legislation;
- we assessed the extent of compliance with the laws and regulations identified above through making enquiries of management and inspecting legal correspondence; and
- identified laws and regulations were communicated within the audit team regularly and the team remained alert to instances of non-compliance throughout the audit.

We assessed the susceptibility of the academy's financial statements to material misstatement, including obtaining an understanding of how fraud might occur, by:

- making enquiries of management as to where they considered there was susceptibility to fraud, their knowledge of actual, suspected and alleged fraud; and
- considering the internal controls in place to mitigate risks of fraud and non-compliance with laws and regulations.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF KIDGATE PRIMARY ACADEMY (CONTINUED)

To address the risk of fraud through management bias and override of controls, we:

- · performed analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships;
- tested journal entries to identify unusual transactions;
- reviewed the allocation and recognition of significant income streams;
- agreed a sample of employees on the academy payroll to existence and agreed the accuracy of their pay;
- assessed and reviewed the appropriateness and effectiveness of the key systems and controls;
- assessed whether judgements and assumptions made in determining the accounting estimates set out in Note 2 were indicative of potential bias; and
- investigated the rationale behind significant or unusual transactions.

In response to the risk of irregularities and non-compliance with laws and regulations, we designed procedures which included, but were not limited to:

- agreeing financial statement disclosures to underlying supporting documentation;
- reading the minutes of meetings of those charged with governance;
- enquiring of management as to actual and potential litigation and claims; and
- reviewing any correspondence with HMRC, relevant regulators and the trust's legal advisors.

There are inherent limitations in our audit procedures described above. The more removed that laws and regulations are from financial transactions, the less likely it is that we would become aware of non-compliance. Auditing standards also limit the audit procedures required to identify non-compliance with laws and regulations to enquiry of the governors and other management and the inspection of regulatory and legal correspondence, if any.

Material misstatements that arise due to fraud can be harder to detect than those that arise from error as they may involve deliberate concealment or collusion.

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 Auditor's report.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF KIDGATE PRIMARY ACADEMY (CONTINUED)

Use of our report

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.

Robert Anderson (Senior statutory auditor)

for and on behalf of Streets Audit LLP

Chartered Accountants & Statutory Auditor

Tower House Lucy Tower Street Lincoln

Lincolnshire

LN1 1XW

Date: 19 December 2023

INDEPENDENT REPORTING ACCOUNTANT'S ASSURANCE REPORT ON REGULARITY TO KIDGATE PRIMARY ACADEMY AND THE EDUCATION AND SKILLS FUNDING AGENCY

In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter and further to the requirements of the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) as included in the Academies Accounts Direction 2022 to 2023, we have carried out an engagement to obtain limited assurance about whether the expenditure disbursed and income received by Kidgate Primary Academy during the year 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023 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 Kidgate Primary Academy and ESFA in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to Kidgate Primary Academy and ESFA those matters we are required to state in a report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than Kidgate Primary Academy and ESFA, for our work, for this report, or for the conclusion we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of Kidgate Primary Academy's accounting officer and the reporting accountant

The accounting officer is responsible, under the requirements of Kidgate Primary Academy's funding agreement with the Secretary of State for Education dated 30 August 2012 and the Academy Trust Handbook, extant from 1 September 2022, 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 2022 to 2023. 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 year 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023 have not been applied to purposes intended by Parliament or that the financial transactions do not conform to the authorities which govern them.

Approach

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

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

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

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

The work undertaken to draw to our conclusion includes:

- a review of the academy systems and controls and confirmation of their operation and effectiveness during the year;
- a detailed review of purchase transactions confirming the purpose, value for money and that appropriate tendering / quotation procedures had been followed in line with the academy finance policy; and
- a review of the Internal Audit report.

INDEPENDENT REPORTING ACCOUNTANT'S ASSURANCE REPORT ON REGULARITY TO KIDGATE PRIMARY ACADEMY AND THE EDUCATION & SKILLS FUNDING AGENCY (CONTINUED)

Conclusion

In the course of our work, nothing has come to our attention which suggest in all material respects the expenditure disbursed and income received during the year 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023 has not been applied to purposes intended by Parliament and the financial transactions do not conform to the authorities which govern them.

Robert Anderson Streets Audit LLP

Chartered Accountants & Statutory Auditor

Tower House Lucy Tower Street Lincoln Lincolnshire LN1 1XW

Date: 19 December 2023

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Restricted fixed asset funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	Total funds 2022 £
Income from:		_	_	_	_	_
Donations and capital						
grants	3	2.585	90	55,553	58,228	27,774
Other trading activities	4	•	16,447	- .	16,447	36,838
Investments	5	85	1,000	•	1,085	. 88
Charitable activities	6	46,448	2,223,328	.•	2,269,776	2,112,942
Total income		49,118	2,240,865	55,553	2,345,536	2,177,642
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities	7,8	50,326	2,301,601	60,489	2,412,416	2,335,883
Total expenditure		50,326	2,301,601	60,489	2,412,416	2,335,883
Net movement in funds before other recognised gains/(losses)		(1,208)	(60,736)	(4,936)	(66,880)	(158,241)
Other recognised gains/(losses):						-
Actuarial gains on defined benefit						
pension schemes	25	4	228,000	-	228,000	1,824,000
Defined benefit pension scheme asset not recognised	25	÷-	(190,000)		(190,000)	-
Net movement in funds		(1,208)	(22,736)	(4,936)	(28,880)	1,665,759

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT) (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Restricted fixed asset funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	Total funds 2022 £
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward		4,686	665,349	2,735,192	3,405,227	1,739,468
Net movement in funds		(1,208)	(22,736)	(4,936)	(28,880)	1,665,759
Total funds carried forward		3,478	642,613	2,730,256	3,376,347	3,405,227

The Statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 29 to 57 form part of these financial statements.

KIDGATE PRIMARY ACADEMY (A company limited by guarantee) REGISTERED NUMBER: 08151355

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 AUGUST 2023

Note		2023 £		2022 £
13		2,707,374		2,717,815
		2,707,374	•	2,717,815
14	76,515		90,958	
	807,539		890,652	
•	884,054		981,610	
15	(213,121)		(243,318)	
•	**	670,933	-	-738,292
		3,378,307		3,456,107
16		(1,960)	in the second	(5,880)
		3,376,347		3,450,227
25		·		(45,000)
		3,376,347		3,405,227
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KIDGATE PRIMARY ACADEMY (A company limited by guarantee) REGISTERED NUMBER: 08151355

BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED) AS AT 31 AUGUST 2023

Funds of the academy Restricted funds:	Note		2023 £		2022 £
Fixed asset funds	17	2,730,256		2,735,192	
Restricted income funds	17	642,613		710,349	
Restricted funds excluding pension asset	17	3,372,869		3,445,541	
Pension reserve	17	•		(45,000)	
Total restricted funds	17		3,372,869		3,400,541
Unrestricted income funds	17		3,478		4,686
Total funds			3,376,347		3,405,227

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to entities subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements on pages 24 to 57 were approved by the governors, and authorised for issue on and are signed on their behalf, by:

D Hobson Chair of Governors

The notes on pages 29 to 57 form part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

Cash flows from operating activities	Note	2023 £	2022 £
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities	19	(102,143)	48,681
Cash flows from investing activities	21	22,950	(5,588)
Cash flows from financing activities	20	(3,920)	(3,920)
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year		(83,113)	39,173
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		890,652	851,479
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	22, 23	807,539	890,652

The notes on pages 29 to 57 form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

1. Accounting policies

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

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements of the academy, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared under the historic cost convention in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard Applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Academies Accounts Direction 2022 to 2023 issued by ESFA, the Charities Act 2011 and the Companies Act 2006.

1.2 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 academy 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 has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and there are no material uncertainties about the academy's ability to continue as a going concern, thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Income

All incoming resources are recognised when the academy has entitlement to the funds, the receipt is probable and the amount can be measured reliably.

Grants

Grants are included in the Statement of financial activities on a receivable basis. The balance of income received for specific purposes but not expended during the period is shown in the relevant funds on the Balance sheet. Where income is received in advance of meeting any performance-related conditions there is not unconditional entitlement to the income and its recognition is deferred and included in creditors as deferred income until the performance-related conditions are met. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, the income is accrued.

General Annual Grant is recognised in full in the Statement of financial activities in the year for which it is receivable and any abatement in respect of the year is deducted from income and recognised as a liability.

Capital grants are recognised in full when there is an unconditional entitlement to the grant. Unspent amounts of capital grants are reflected in the Balance sheet in the restricted fixed asset fund. Capital grants are recognised when there is entitlement and are not deferred over the life of the asset on which they are expended.

Donations

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

Accounting policies (continued)

1.3 Income (continued)

Other income

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

1.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity.

Charitable activities

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

All resources expended are inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.5 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the academy; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

1.6 Taxation

The academy 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 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.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

Accounting policies (continued)

1.7 Tangible fixed assets

Assets costing £2,000 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. 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 and assets under construction, at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset on a straight-line basis over its expected useful life, as follows:

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Long-term leasehold property - No depreciation

Furniture and equipment - 5 and 8 years straight line

Computer equipment - 5 years straight line

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.

Long-term leasehold property is not depreciated on the grounds of immateriality. Long-term leasehold property is subject to regular maintenance and repair such that in the governors' opinion the residual value is not materially different from the value in the financial statements and have a long useful economic life. The governors consider the need for impairment at each period end.

1.8 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

1.9 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand represents amounts held in current account facilities and petty cash only.

1.10 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 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.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.11 Financial instruments

The academy only holds basic financial instruments as defined in FRS 102. The financial assets and financial liabilities of the academy and their measurement bases 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 notes 15 and 16. Taxation and social security are not included in the financial instruments disclosure definition. Deferred income is not deemed to be a financial liability, as the cash settlement has already taken place and there is an obligation to deliver services rather than cash or another financial instrument.

1.12 Operating leases

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of financial activities on a straight line basis over the lease term.

1.13 Pensions

Retirement benefits to employees of the academy 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 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. TPS is an unfunded multi-employer scheme with no underlying assets to assign between employers. Consequently, the TPS is treated as a defined contribution scheme for accounting purposes and the contributions recognised in the period to which they relate.

The LGPS is a funded multi-employer scheme and the assets are held separately from those of the academy 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 changes, settlements and curtailments. They are included as part of staff costs as incurred. Net interest on the net defined benefit liability/asset is also recognised in the Statement of financial activities and comprises the interest cost on the defined benefit obligation and interest income on the scheme assets, calculated by multiplying the fair value of the scheme assets at the beginning of the period by the rate used to discount the benefit obligations. The difference between the interest income on the scheme assets and the actual return on the scheme assets is recognised in other recognised gains and losses.

Actuarial gains and losses are recognised immediately in other recognised gains and losses.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.14 Fund accounting

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

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the governors for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

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 Department for Education Group.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

2. Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgment

Estimates and judgments are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Critical accounting estimates and assumptions:

The academy makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates and assumptions will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

The present value of the Local Government Pension Scheme defined benefit liability depends on a number of factors that are determined on an actuarial basis using a variety of assumptions. The assumptions used in determining the net cost or income for pensions include the discount rate. Any changes in these assumptions, which are disclosed in note 25, 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 2022 has been used by the actuary in valuing the pensions liability at 31 August 2023. 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.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

3. Income from donations and capital grants

		Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Restricted fixed asset funds 2023	Total funds 2023 £
	Donations	2,585	90	- ,	2,675
	Capital Grants	÷	•	55,553	55,553
		2,585	90	55,553	58,228
	Donations Capital Grants		Restricted funds 2022 £ 1,673	Restricted fixed assel funds 2022 £ - 26,101	Total funds 2022 £ 1,673 26,101
			1,673	26,101	27,774
I.	Income from other trading activities		Restricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	Total funds 2022 £
	Staff Absence and Other Insurance Claims		16,447	16,447	36,838

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

5. Investment income

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
Bank Interest Received	85	-	85
Pension Finance Income	.•	1,000	1,000
	85	1,000	1,085
		Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £
Bank Interest Received		88	88

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

6. Funding for the academy's charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
Educational Operations	_	-	_
DfE/ESFA Grants			
General Annual Grant (GAG)	*	1,788,442	1,788,442
Other DfE/ESFA Grants			
Pupil Premium	Ħ	171,284	171,284
Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM)	-	43,959	43,959
PE and Sport Premium	•	19,620	19,620
Supplementary	-	53,236	53,236
MSAG	 .	27,694	27,694
Others	-	9,626	9,626
	•	2,113,861	2,113,861
Other Government Grants			
Local Authority Income	-	92,937	92,937
Other Income from the Academy's Educational Operations	46,448	2	46,448
COVID-19 Additional Funding (DfE/ESFA)			
Other DfE/ESFA COVID-19 Funding		16,530	16,530
	46,448	2,223,328	2,269,776

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

6. Funding for the academy's charitable activities (continued)

Educational Operations	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £
DfE/ESFA Grants			
General Annual Grant (GAG) Other DfE/ESFA Grants	÷	1,751,420	1,751,420
Pupil Premium	÷	160,361	160,361
Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM)	- - :	47,041	47,041
PE and Sport Premium	÷	9,371	9,371
Supplementary	-	22,182	22,182
Others	•	7,922	7,922
		1,998,297	1,998,297
Other Government Grants			
Local Authority Income	-	57,4 67	<i>57,467</i>
Other Income from the Academy's Educational Operations	40,938	-	40,938
COVID-19 Additional Funding (DfE/ESFA)		10015	40.045
Other DfE/ESFA COVID-19 Funding	-	16,240	16,240
	<u>-</u>	16,240	16,240
	40,938	2,072,004	2,112,942

7.	Expenditure				
		Staff Costs 2023 £	Premises 2023 £	Other 2023 £	Total 2023 £
	Educational Operations:				
	Direct Costs	1,643,038	-	152,611	1,795,649
	Support Costs	232,768	182,808	201,191	616,767
		1,875,806	182,808	353,802	2,412,416
		Staff Costs 2022 £	Premises 2022 £	Other 2022 £	Total 2022 £
		L		τ.	L
	Educational Operations:				
	Direct Costs	1,497,252	· 2	110,382	1,607,634
	Support Costs	385,728	151,974	190,547	728,249
		1,882,980	151,974	300,929	2,335,883
8.	Analysis of expenditure by activities				
			Activities undertaken directly 2023	Support costs 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £
	Educational Operations		1,795,649	616,767	2,412,416
			Activities undertaken directly 2022 £	Support costs 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £
	Educational Operations		1,607,634	728,249	2,335,883

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

8. Analysis of expenditure by activities (continued)

Analysis of direct costs

	Total funds 2023 £	Total funds 2022 £
Staff Costs	1,620,278	1,463,663
Educational Supplies and Services	90,840	53,645
Other Direct Staff Costs	54,563	60,756
Educational IT Costs	12,896	16,625
Educational Trips and Visits	17,072	12,945
<u>-</u>	1,795,649	1,607,634
Analysis of support costs	- ,	
	Total	Total
	funds 2023 £	funds 2022 £
Pension Finance Costs	4	27,000
Staff Costs	232,768	385,728
Depreciation	10,441	2,648
Maintenance	80,903	58,290
Cleaning	51,025	54,571
Utilities	33,959	22,563
Rates	8,426	7,322
Office Costs	24,073	17,827
Insurance	11,283	9,228
Non-Educational IT Costs	19,962	18,810
Catering	113,731	99,065
Other Support Costs	13,711	14,256
Governance Costs	16,485	10,941
	616,767	728,249

9.	Net expenditure		
	Net expenditure for the year includes:		
		2023 £	2022 £
	Operating lease rentals	13,094	14,623
	Depreciation of tangible fixed assets Fees paid to auditor for:	10,441	2,648
	- audit	4,850	4,400
	- other services	1,550	1,380
10.	Staff		
	a. Staff costs		
	Staff costs during the year were as follows:		
		2023 £	2022 £
	Wages and salaries	1,408,679	1,278,414
	Social security costs	128,125	112,279
	Pension costs	316,242	458,698
		1,853,046	1,849,391
	Agency staff costs	22,760	12,089
	Staff restructuring costs	•	21,500
		1,875,806	1,882,980
	Staff restructuring costs comprise:		
		2023 £	2022 £
	Severance payments	- *	21,500
		 	21,500

S	staff (continued)		
b	. Severance payments		
T	he academy paid no severance payments in the year (2022 - 1), o	disclosed in the following ban	ids:
		2023 No.	2022 No.
£	0 - £25,000	· === . =	1
C	. Special staff severance payments		
ir	ncluded in staff restructuring costs are special severance payment	ts totalling £nii (2022: £21,50	0).
d	. Staff numbers		
Т	he average number of persons employed by the academy during	the year was as follows:	
		2023 No.	2022 No.
T	eaching Staff	18	21
Α	dminstration and Support Staff	37	36
M	flanagement flanagement	4	3
		59	60
Т	he average headcount expressed as full-time equivalents was:		
	Pr.	2023 No.	2022 No.
Т	eaching Staff	18	20
Α	dminstration and Support Staff	27	24
M	1anagement	4	3
		49	47

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10. Staff (continued)

e. Higher paid staff

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

	2023 N o.	2022 No.
In the band £60,001 - £70,000	•	1
In the band £70,001 - £80,000	2	1

f. Key management personnel

The key management personnel of the academy comprise the governors and the senior management team as listed on page 1. The total amount of employee benefits (including employer pension contributions and employer national insurance contributions) received by key management personnel for their services to the academy was £344,500 (2022 - £256,000).

11. Governors' remuneration and expenses

One or more governors has been paid remuneration or has received other benefits from an employment with the academy. The Head Teacher and other staff governors only receive remuneration in respect of services they provide undertaking the roles of Head Teacher and staff members under their contracts of employment. The value of governors' remuneration and other benefits for the period they were governors was as follows:

		2023	2022
		£	£
P Lidbury, Head Teacher	Remuneration	75,000 - 80,000	70,000 - 75,000
	Pension contributions paid	15,000 - 20,000	15,000 - 20,000
D Jones, Staff Governor	Remuneration	nil	10,000 - 15,000
	Pension contributions paid	nil	0 - 5,000
S Fieldsend, Staff Governor	Remuneration	20,000 - 25,000	nil
	Pension contributions paid	5,000 - 10,000	nil
D Hobson, Staff Governor	Remuneration	nil	nil
	Pension contributions paid	nil	nil

During the year ended 31 August 2023, no governor expenses have been incurred (2022 - £N/L).

12. Governors' and Officers' insurance

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 £5,000,000 on any one claim. The cost of this insurance is not separately identifiable from the total insurance cost paid by the academy.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

13. Tangible fixed assets

	Long-term leasehold property £	Furniture and equipment £	Computer equipment	Total £
Cost or valuation				
At 1 September 2022	2,655,998	67,314	31,777	2,755,089
At 31 August 2023	2,655,998	67,314	31,777	2,755,089
Depreciation				•
At 1 September 2022	*	34,626	2,648	37,274
Charge for the year	•	4,086	6,355	10,441
At 31 August 2023	•	38,712	9,003	47,715
Net book value	; — ·.	,		. ,
At 31 August 2023	2,655,998	28,602	22,774	2,707,374
At 31 August 2022	2,655,998	32,688	29,129	2,717,815

Leasehold Property transferred on conversion is held under a 125 year lease and is stated at the valuation provided to the academy by the ESFA. Subsequent additions are stated at cost.

14. Debtors

	2023 £	2022 £
Due within one year		
VAT recoverable	4,479	18,794
Prepayments and accrued income	72,036	72,164
	76,515	90,958

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

15. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	2022 £
Other loans	3,920	3,920
Trade creditors	39,661	<i>85,265</i>
Other taxation and social security	27,965	27,053
Other creditors	61,457	56,215
Accruals and deferred income	80,118	70,865
	213,121	243,318

Other loans falling due within one year relates to an interest-free ESFA approved Salix loan. The loan is being repaid by two instalments per year and will be fully repaid by 1 September 2024. The loans are unsecured.

	2023 £	2022 £
Deferred income	_	_
Deferred income at 1 September	38,998	40,075
Resources deferred during the year	39,129	38,998
Amounts released from previous periods	(38,998)	(40,075)
Deferred income at 31 August	39,129	38,998

At each year-end, the academy has received Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM) funding in advance and income in advance for trips.

16. Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Other loans	1,960	5,880

Other loans falling due after more than one year relates to an interest-free ESFA approved Salix loan. The loan is being repaid by two instalments per year and will be fully repaid by 1 September 2024. The loans are unsecured.

Statement of fu	nds					
		Balance at 1 September 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 August 2023 £
Unrestricted Fu	nds					
Designated Fun	ıds					
Outdoor Learning	g	3,424	•	(1,208)	-	2,216
General Funds						
General Funds		1,262	49,118	(49,118)	-	1,262
Total Unrestrict	ted Funds	4,686	49,118	(50,326)	•	3,478
		Balance at 1 September 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 August 2023 £
Restricted Gene	eral Funds					
General Annual	Grant (GAG)	683,205	1,788,442	(1,859,544)	•	612,103
Pupil Premium		27,144	171,284	(167,918)	•	30,510
UIFSM		•.	43,959	(43,959)	•	-
PE and Sport Pro	emium	•	19,620	(19,620)	٠.	֥ '
Supplementary		-	53,236	(53,236)	•	•
MSAG		-	27,694	(27,694)	•	•
Other DfE/ESFA	COVID-19		45 520	(4C F20)		
Funding Other ESFA Gra	inte	₩,	16,530 9,626	(16,530) (9,626)	•	•
Local Authority I		-	92,937	(92,937)	•	_
Other Income	icome	-	16,537	(16,537)		
Pension Reserve		(45,000)	1,000	6,000	38,000	¥
		665,349	2,240,865	(2,301,601)	38,000	642,613

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

17. Statement of funds (continued)

	Balance at 1 September 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 August 2023 £
Restricted Fixed Asset Funds					
NBV of Fixed Assets	2,717,815	•	(10,441)	•	2,707,374
Unspent DfE Grants	17,377	55,553	(50,048)	-	22,882
	2,735,192	55,553	(60,489)	•••	2,730,256
Total Restricted Funds	3,400,541	2,296,418	(2,362,090)	38,000	3,372,869
Total Funds	3,405,227	2,345,536	(2,412,416)	38,000	3,376,347

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

17. Statement of funds (continued)

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

Unrestricted Funds:

Designated Funds represents funding from the local Co-op which was designated by the governors to be spent on outdoor learning projects.

General Funds represent those resources which may be used towards meeting any of the objects of the academy at the discretion of the governors.

Restricted Funds:

General Annual Grant (GAG) represents the annual funding from the ESFA to cover the running costs of the academy.

Other ESFA Grants have been split where material in the funds analysis above with each income stream representing funding from the ESFA received for specific purposes.

Other Government Income represents funding from the local authority to be spent for specific purposes.

Other Income represents all other restricted funds received which must be used for the purpose intended.

Pension Reserve represents the current balance of the Local Government Pension Scheme.

Restricted Fixed Asset Funds:

NBV of Fixed Assets represents the net book value of fixed assets acquired.

Unspent DfE Grants represents unspent funding received from the ESFA to be spent on qualifying capital expenditure.

Under the funding agreement with the Secretary of State, the academy was not subject to a limit on the amount of GAG it could carry forward at 31 August 2023.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

17. Statement of funds (continued)

Comparative information in respect of the preceding year is as follows:

	Balance at 1 September 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 August 2022 £
Unrestricted Funds	_	_	_	_	_	_
Designated Funds						
Outdoor Learning	7,630	•	(4,206)	- .	·-	3,424
General Funds						
General Funds	1,262	41,026	(41,026)		÷	1,262
Total Unrestricted Funds	. 8,892	41,026	(45,232)	=	_	4,686
						
	Balance at 1 September 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 August 2022 £
Restricted General Funds	2	2	2	2	2	2
General Annual	605 600	4 754 400	(4.000.040)	(0.4.405)		600 005
Grant (GAG) Pupil Premium	685,099 26,428	1,751,420 160,361	(1,688,849)	(64,465)	•.	683,205 27,144
UIFSM	20,420	47,041	(159,645) (47,041)	-	-	21,144
PE and Sport	•	47,041	(47,047)	٠٠,	-	-
Premium	7,860	9,371	(17,231)	- -		
Supplementary	•	22,182	(22, 182)	-	÷,	
COVID-19						
Catch Up Funding	15,488	.=	(15,488)	, 4	<u> </u>	21
Other DfE/ESFA COVID-19						
Funding	<₩	16,240	(16,240)	-	- •	
Other ESFA Grants	-	7,922	(7,922)	- .	-	- ,

7.	Statement of fu	ınds (continued)				
		Balance at 1 September 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 August 2022 £
	Local Authority						
	Income	-	57,467	(57,467)	•	•	•
	Other Income	, - .	38,511	(38,511)	•.	-	-
	Pension Reserve	(1,669,000)	-	(200,000)		1,824,000	(45,000)
		(1,000,000,		(200,000)		.,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	
		(934,125)	2,110,515	(2,270,576)	(64,465)	1,824,000	665,349
		Balance at 1 September 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 August 2022 £
	Restricted Fixed Asset Funds						
	NBV of Fixed Assets	2,655,998	7	(2,648)	64,465	-	2,717,815
	Unspent DfE Grants	8,703	26,101	(17,427)	-	-	17,377
		2,664,701	26,101	(20,075)	64,465	-	2,735,192
	Total Restricted Funds	1,730,576	2,136,616	(2,290,651)	-	1,824,000	3,400,541
	Total Funds	1,739,468	2,177,642	(2,335,883)	·=	1,824,000	3,405,227

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

18. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Restricted fixed asset funds 2023	Total funds 2023 £
Tangible fixed assets	•	<u></u> .	2,707,374	2,707,374
Current assets	3,478	857,694	22,882	884,054
Creditors due within one year	- '	(213,121)	· -	(213,121)
Creditors due in more than one year	-	(1,960)	•	(1,960)
Total	3,478	642,613	2,730,256	3,376,347
Analysis of net assets between funds - pric	or year			
	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Restricted fixed asset funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £
Tangible fixed assets	÷	· -	2,717,815	2,717,815
Current assets	4,686	959,547	17,377	981,610
Creditors due within one year	, <u>.</u>	(243,318)	•	(243,318)
Creditors due in more than one year	- .,	(5,880)	-	(5,880)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	-	(45,000)	-	(45,000)
Total	4,686	665,349	2,735,192	3,405,227

Adjustments for: Depreciation 10,441 2,648 Capital grants from DfE and other capital income (55,553) (26,101) Interest received (88) Defined benefit pension scheme administration cost 2,000 1,000 Defined benefit pension scheme cost less contributions payable (8,000) 172,000 Defined benefit pension scheme finance cost / (income) (1,000) 27,000 Decrease/(increase) in debtors 14,443 (31,897) Increase in creditors 2,491 62,360 Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities (102,143) 48,681 20. Cash flows from financing activities Repayments of borrowing (3,920) (3,920) Net cash used in financing activities (3,920) (3,920) 1. Cash flows from investing activities 2023 2022 £ £ £ £ £ Interest received 85 88 Purchase of tangible fixed assets (32,588) (31,777) Capital grants from DfE Group 55,553 26,101	19.	Reconciliation of net expenditure to net cash flow from operating act	ivities	
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Net cash used in financing activities				2022 £
21. Cash flows from investing activities 2023 2022 £ £ Interest received 85 88 Purchase of tangible fixed assets (32,688) (31,777) Capital grants from DfE Group 55,553 26,101		Repayments of borrowing	(3,920)	(3,920)
2023 2022 £ £ £		Net cash used in financing activities	(3,920)	(3,920)
Interest received 85 88 Purchase of tangible fixed assets Capital grants from DfE Group 55,553 26,101	21.	Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of tangible fixed assets (32,688) (31,777) Capital grants from DfE Group 55,553 26,101				2022 £
Capital grants from DfE Group 55,553 26,101		Interest received	85	88
Capital grants from DfE Group 55,553 26,101		Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(32,688)	(31,777)
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities 22,950 (5,588)			, , ,	,
		Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities	22,950	(5,588)

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22. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2023	2022
	3	£
Cash at bank and in hand	807,539	890,652
Total cash and cash equivalents	807,539	890.652
,		

23. Analysis of changes in net debt

	At 1 September 2022 £	Cash flows	Other non- cash changes £	At 31 August 2023 £
Cash at bank and in hand	890,652	(83,113)	-	807,539
Debt due within 1 year	(3,920)	3,920	(3,920)	(3,920)
Debt due after 1 year	(5,880)	-	3,920	(1,960)
	880,852	(79,193)		801,659

24. Contingent liabilities

In the event of Kidgate Primary Academy ceasing to operate as an academy, provisions are included in the funding agreement relating to the clawback of assets and monies paid to the academy.

25. Pension commitments

The academy'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 Lincolnshire County Council. Both are multi-employer defined benefit schemes.

The latest actuarial valuation of the TPS related to the period ended 31 March 2016 and of the LGPS 31 March 2022.

Contributions amounting to £35,695 were payable to the schemes at 31 August 2023 (2022 - £30,834) and are included within creditors.

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25. Pension commitments (continued)

Teachers' Pension Scheme

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

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

Valuation of the Teachers' Pension Scheme

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

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

The next valuation result is due to be implemented from 1 April 2024.

The employer's pension costs paid to TPS in the year amounted to £192,000 (2022 - £180,000).

A copy of the valuation report and supporting documentation is on the Teachers' Pensions website (https://www.teacherspensions.co.uk/news/employers/2019/04/teachers-pensions-valuation-report.aspx).

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

25. Pension commitments (continued)

Local Government Pension Scheme

The LGPS is a funded defined benefit pension scheme, with the assets held in separate trustee-administered funds. The total contribution made for the year ended 31 August 2023 was £164,000 (2022 - £134,000), of which employer's contributions totalled £132,000 (2022 - £106,000) and employees' contributions totalled £32,000 (2022 - £28,000). The agreed contribution rates for future years are 24.1% for employers and a maximum of 12.5% for employees.

The LGPS obligation relates to the employees of the academy, who were the employees transferred as part of the conversion from the maintained school and new employees who were eligible to, and did, join the Scheme in the year. The obligation in respect of employees who transferred on conversion represents their cumulative service at both the predecessor school and the academy at the balance sheet date.

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 and on 21 July 2022, the Department for Education reaffirmed its commitment to the guarantee, with a parliamentary minute published on GOV.UK.

Principal actuarial assumptions

2023	2022
%	%
3.85	3.20
2.85	2.90
5.30	4.25
	% 3.85 2.85

The current mortality assumptions include sufficient allowance for future improvements in mortality rates. The assumed life expectations on retirement age 65 are;

	2023 Years	2022 Years
Retiring today		
Males	19.5	21.2
Females	22.6	23.7
Retiring in 20 years		
Males	20.8	22.1
Females	24.0	25.1
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i .	Pension commitments (continued)					
	Sensitivity analysis					
		2023 £000	2022 £000			
	0.1% Decrease in Real Discount Rate	40	51			
	0.1% Increase in Salary Increase Rate	3	7			
	0.1% Increase in Pension Increase Rate	38	45			
	Share of scheme assets	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
	The academy's share of the assets in the scheme was:					
		At 31 August 2023 £	At 31 Augus 2022 £			
	Equities	1,257,000	1,339,000			
	Bonds	268,000	217,000			
	Property	151,000	232,000			
	Cash	69,000	43,000			
	Infrastructure	77,000	•			
	Absolute Return Fund	213,000	-			
	Total market value of assets	2,035,000	1,831,000			
	The actual return on scheme assets was £73,000 (2022 - £3,000).					
	The amounts recognised in the Statement of financial activities are as follows:					
		2023 £	2022 £			
	Current service cost	(124,000)	(278,000			
	Interest income	81,000	29,000			
	Interest cost	(80,000)	(56,000			
	Administrative expenses	(2,000)	(1,000			
	Total amount recognised in the Statement of financial activities	(125,000)	(306,000			

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25. Pension commitments (continued)

Changes in the present value of the defined benefit obligations were as follows:

	2023 £	2022 £
At 1 September	1,876,000	3,353,000
Current service cost	124,000	278,000
Interest cost	80,000	56,000
Employee contributions	32,000	28,000
Changes in financial assumptions	(236,000)	(1,850,000)
Benefits paid	(31,000)	11,000
At 31 August	1,845,000	1,876,000
Changes in the fair value of the academy's share of scheme assets were	e as follows:	

	2023 £	2022 £
At 1 September	1,831,000	1,684,000
Interest income	81,000	29,000
Return on assets excluding amounts included in net interest	(8,000)	(26,000)
Employer contributions	132,000	106,000
Employee contributions	32,000	28,000
Benefits paid	(31,000)	11,000
Administrative expenses	(2,000)	(1,000)
At 31 August	2,035,000	1,831,000

The actuarial report valued a pension scheme surplus of £190,000 as set out by the disclosures above. This balance has not been recognised on the basis that the balance is not deemed to be recoverable through reduced contributions in the future or through refunds from the plan.

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26. Operating lease commitments

At 31 August 2023 the academy had commitments to make future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	2023 £	2022 £
Amounts payable:		
Not later than 1 year	3,365	13,094
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	244	3,609
	3,609	16,703

27. 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 a member, such amount as may be required, not exceeding £10 for the debts and liabilities contracted before he/she ceases to be a member.

28. Related party transactions

Owing to the nature of the academy and the composition of the Governing Body being drawn from local public and private sector organisations, transactions may take place with organisations in which the governors have an interest. All transactions involving such organisations are conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Academy Trust Handbook, including notifying the ESFA of all transactions made on or after 1 April 2019 and obtaining their approval where required, and with the academy's financial regulations and normal procurement procedures relating to connected and related party transactions.

Income Related Party Transactions:

Kidgate Primary Home and School Association

Kidgate Primary Home and School Association is a charity that is closely linked to the academy. During the year, the academy received donations of £90 (2022 - £1,673) from the charity. There was no balance outstanding at either year-end.