ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

Members

Dr A Weatherley Reverend M Roberts

Mr D Fuller

Trustees

Miss S Baker Mr J Boyes

Mrs R C Daniels

Mr M Dyer *

Mrs M C Everard

Dr C Ewen (chairperson)

Mr D Fuller * Mrs L M Gorringe*

Mrs G Hoffmann*

Mr L Hunter * (principal & accounting officer)

Dr R J Jackson Mr A J Kilbee

Mr C D Pearce* (staff trustee)

Ms A Pujadas-Telmon (staff trustee)

Reverend M Roberts

Mrs J C Rosso Mrs C S Sinnett-Smith*

Mrs A S Smith

Mr M Waite * Dr A Weatherley - resigned 31.8.15

- appointed 23.10.14

- appointed 23.10.14

- appointed 20.11.14

- resigned 6.1.15

- appointed 23.10.14

Company Secretary

Mr T J Molloy Mr S Farrer

 appointed 1.4.15 - resigned 31.3.15

Senior Management Team

Mr L Hunter Ms C Buchanan Mr L Thompson Mr M Neeve Miss F Peycelon Mr T J Molloy

Principal Accounting Officer Deputy Headteacher Deputy Headteacher Assistant Headteacher Assistant Headteacher **Business Manager**

Principal and Registered Office

Sir Roger Manwood's School

Manwood Road Sandwich Kent CT13 9JX

Registered Company Number

07539918 (England and Wales)

^{*} Members of the Finance and Building and Grounds Committee

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

Independent Auditor

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

The trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements and auditor's report of the charitable company for the period 1 September 2014 to 31 August 2015. The annual report serves the purposes of both a trustees' report, and a directors' report under company law.

The trust operates a school for pupils aged 11 to 19 serving a catchment area in Sandwich and Deal and the surrounding rural community. In September 2014, the school increased from four forms of entry to five due to the increase in demand for places.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Constitution

The academy trust is a company limited by guarantee and an exempt charity. The charitable company's memorandum and articles of association are the primary governing documents of the academy trust.

The trustees of Sir Roger Manwood's School are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law.

Details of the trustees 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.

Trustees' Indemnities

Subject to the provisions of the Companies Act 2006, every trustee, officer or auditor of the academy shall be indemnified out of the assets of the charitable company against any liability incurred by them in that capacity in defending any proceedings, whether civil or criminal, in which judgement is given in favour or in which they are acquitted or in connection with any application in which relief is granted to him by the court from liability for negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust in relation to the affairs of the academy.

Method of Recruitment and Appointment or Election of Trustees

The board of trustees may appoint up to four community trustees and the local community trustee. They may also appoint staff trustees through such a process as they may determine, provided that the total number of trustees (including the principal) who are employees of the charitable company does not exceed one third of the total number of trustees.

Foundation trustees are appointed on the following basis:

- two shall be appointed by The Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports;
- one shall be appointed by The Master and Fellow of Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge;
- one shall be appointed by The Rector of Lincoln College, Oxford, and;
- one shall be appointed by Canterbury Diocesan Board of Education, on behalf of the Archbishop of Canterbury.

The parent trustees shall be elected by parents of registered pupils at the academy. A parent trustee must be a parent of a pupil at the academy at the time of their election. The board of trustees shall make all necessary arrangements for and determine all other matters relating to, an election of parent trustees, including any question of whether a person is a parent of a registered pupil at the academy. Any election of parent trustees which is contested shall be held by secret ballot.

Where a vacancy for a parent trustee is required to be filled by election, the board of trustees 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 an opportunity to do so.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT - continued

Method of Recruitment and Appointment or Election of Trustees - continued

In appointing a parent trustee, the board of trustees 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 staff trustees shall be elected by a secret ballot of all staff employed under a contract of employment or a contract for services or otherwise engaged to provide services to the academy (excluding the Headteacher). All arrangements for the calling and the conduct of the election and resolution of questions as to whether any person is an eligible candidate shall be determined by the trustees. If a staff trustee ceases to work at the academy then he shall be deemed to have resigned and shall cease to be a trustee automatically on termination of his work at the academy. Any election of a staff trustee which is contested shall be held by secret ballot.

The first parent trustees and staff trustees were those people who filled those positions on the board of trustees of the predecessor Sir Roger Manwood's School at its closure who became trustees on the opening of the academy as parent or staff trustees for the remainder of the terms of office for which they were elected to the predecessor board of trustees.

The trustees may appoint up to three co-opted trustees. The trustees may not co-opt an employee of the academy trust as a co-opted trustee if thereby the number of trustees who are employees of the academy trust would exceed one third of the total number of trustees (including the Headteacher).

The Secretary of State may appoint additional trustees as he thinks fit if a warning notice has been given to the trustees because the standards of performance are unacceptably low, there is a serious breakdown in the way the academy is managed and the safety of staff and pupils is threatened and following this, the trustees have failed to comply, or secure compliance, with the notice to the Secretary of State's satisfaction within the compliance period.

The Secretary of State may also appoint additional trustees following an inspection by the Chief Inspector in accordance with the Education Act 2005 where the academy trust receives an Ofsted grading which amounts to a drop, either from one inspection to the next inspection or between any two inspections carried out within a five year period.

The Secretary of State may also appoint further trustees as he thinks fit if a Special Measures Termination Event occurs.

Policies and Procedures Adopted for the Induction and Training of Trustees

The induction provided for new trustees is tailored to their existing experience, with training provided on charity, educational, legal and financial matters as necessary. Copies of the policies, procedures, minutes, accounts, budget, plans and any other necessary documents that they will need to undertake their role as a trustee will be made available.

On-going training is available through Kent County Council Trustee Services. They provide an annual calendar of training events in addition to online training that all trustees can access. Training sessions for all trustees are arranged at the school on appropriate topics, usually once per year.

Organisational Structure

The trustees are responsible for the strategic direction of the school, making major decisions and monitoring the activities of the school. This is achieved through three meetings a year of the full board of trustees and meetings of committees set up to look at specific areas of the school's activities. The trustees are responsible for monitoring the performance of the Headteacher on a regular basis.

The Headteacher is assisted by two Deputy Headteachers and two Assistant Headteachers. The organisational structure cascades via senior leaders and middle managers that includes the School Business Manager, Heads of Department and Heads of Year.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT - continued

Connected Organisations including Related Party Relationships

The academy does not belong to a chain of academies and as such it is not part of any wider network or federation. However, it has a significant link with Malcolm Waite Limited which is owned by a trustee and trades with the academy and links with other local organisations which include:

- Old Manwoodian Association
- Manwood Trust

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objects and Aims

The school's object is to advance for the public benefit education in the Sandwich area of Kent, in particular but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing by establishing, maintaining, carrying on, managing and developing a selective school offering a broad and balanced curriculum.

The school aims to:

Ensure that, each student maximises their academic potential, and staff continue to aspire to the highest standards of teaching and learning in its delivery that contains effective differentiation.

Continually review the curriculum and its delivery in order to ensure that it meets the needs of its students, encourages high aspirations and enables them to fulfil their potential.

Provide excellent CPD opportunities for all staff through after school in-house training programmes and other means. Professional development being supported by an effective Performance Management process.

Further develop the use of ICT in school to support teaching and learning and administration within school. To produce a strategic plan of ICT development over the periods 2014-2019.

Continue to develop the PSHCEE provision with particular focus on health, sex, drugs, life skills and citizenship education.

To continue to reflect upon the successful Ofsted inspection in 2013 to both maintain and improve the current high standards.

Develop effective communication with parents through the use of SIMS Learning Gateway and Schoolcomms.

Provide staff and students with an environment that is fit for purpose. Develop a strategic plan for the development of the school site for the period 2014-2019. Continue to seek funding from the Academies Capital Maintenance Fund for building improvements.

Ensure value for money from the school's funding.

The introduction of performance related pay for teaching staff to reflect the STPCD.

Ensure that the provision of boarding is judged Outstanding at the next Ofsted inspection.

Maintain the very high standard of pupil behaviour, attendance and punctuality.

Objectives, Strategies & Activities

The school has worked hard to achieve its aims and the trustees have been kept informed through the work of the committees who report to the full board of trustees.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES - continued

Public Benefit

The trustees confirm that they have complied with the duties in Section 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

We have referred to the guidance in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

The public benefit of Sir Roger Manwood's School is the advancement of education within the local community.

STRATEGIC REPORT ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

The school had 932 students on roll, including 51 boarders.

At A Level, the overall pass rate this year was 98.5%, with 64% being at grades B or above and 28% at grade A or better. 57 students gained at least 3 B grades, of whom 33 gained at least 2 A grades. Six students gained at least two A* grades, with two of them achieving an A* in every subject they took - one of them achieved five and the other four A* grades.

At GCSE, 76.3% of all the examinations taken were passed at the top grades of B or above. 93.7% were at grade C or above. 93% achieved 5 GCSE passes or more which included English Language and Mathematics. All students except one passed English Literature. 23 students achieved a total of 10 or more A* or A grades. 15 students achieved at least 6 A* grades and two gained A* passes in all of the 11 examinations they sat.

Key Performance Indicators

An analysis of the school's financial performance undertaken through the examination of the following:

- (1) the school's budget and the relating situation in terms of financial soundness
- (2) the comparative data of spending by similar schools

indicates that the school has performed well in financial terms.

An analysis of the school's spending pattern against benchmarking data from other similar schools indicates that spending is broadly in line with the national picture.

Specific financial KPI's for the year under review are as follows:

		31.08.15		3	1.08.14	
	Excluding boarding	Boarding	Whole school	Excluding boarding	Boarding	Whole school
Educational wages per pupil enrolled Boarding wages per boarding pupil Total wages as a percentage of GAG funding	N/A N/A 82.71%	N/A £5,631 7.58%	£3,607 N/A 90,29%	N/A N/A 84.13%	N/A £4,606 6.04%	£3,639 N/A 90.17%
Total wages as a percentage of total revenue grants	79.53%	6.52%	86.05%	82.57%	5.92%	88.49%

Going Concern

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

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The academy's accounting period covers a twelve month trading period from 1 September 2014 to 31 August 2015.

The majority of the school's income is obtained from the EFA in the form of recurrent grants, the use of which is restricted to particular purposes. The grants received from the EFA during the year ended 31 August 2015 and the associated expenditure are shown as restricted funds in the Statement of Financial Activities.

The academy also received grants for fixed assets from the EFA. In accordance with the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" (SORP 2005), such grants are shown in the Statement of Financial Activities as restricted income in the fixed assets fund.

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

The school is in its fifth year of operation having taken over the previous educational activity of Sir Roger Manwood's School operating as a foundation school, and has made investment that includes acquiring the fixed assets of the predecessor foundation school.

The school has also received income in respect of its boarding facility and lettings.

Reserves Policy

The level of reserves held takes into account the nature of income and expenditure streams, the need to match them with commitments of the school, including future capital projects, and the nature of the reserves. The trustees keep the level of the reserves under review. The academy's current level of free reserves is £534,667 (2014: £528,406).

Funds in Deficit

The LGPS is stated in the accounts to be in deficit in the sum of £856,000 as at the balance sheet date (2014: £801,000). It should be noted however that this deficit will not crystallise within the foreseeable future and that the academy follows the advice of the pension scheme actuary and makes contributions in accordance with the rates advised. The advised level of contributions has been taken into account when preparing the academy's budgets for the year ended 31 August 2015.

Investment Policy

The school is limited to the amount of reserves that it is able to hold and in general these need to be readily accessible. The practice is, therefore, to keep any reserves in an interest bearing bank account.

PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The principal risk and uncertainty in respect of the school relates to the future funding available. The school mitigates this risk as far as possible by preparing budgets which are reviewed by the trustees to ensure that the level of anticipated funding is sufficient to meet the requirements of the school. Any shortfall identified is considered by the trustees and remedial action taken with a view to balancing the budget.

Financial and Risk Management Objectives and Policies

Risk Management

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the school is exposed, in particular those relating to the delivery of the curriculum, provision of facilities, health & safety and other operational areas and its finances.

Risks that have been considered over the current period have included the sustainability of a five form entry to year 7, and potential changes to the funding that the school receives in future years.

Measures are in place through policies and procedures to minimise those risks that can be quantified. Appropriate insurances are also in place.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES - continued

Risk Management - continued

The future financial and risk management objectives for the academy include:

• Ensuring that the impact from the current tightening of funding in the public sector is fully taken into consideration when decisions about future spending are taken.

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

The school seeks continuous improvement in its provision of education and a similar improvement in its fixed assets and its resources. The trust has produced a three year Development Plan covering the years 2014 to 2017. The following are extracts from that document.

The trust will continue to maximise each students' academic potential, so that each makes the progress they are capable of. It will do this by:

- a. Staff continuing to have the highest aspirations for our pupils.
- b. Ensuring that teaching and learning are of the highest possible standard.
- c. Continuing to improve the monitoring and tracking of student performance and further developing intervention strategies with those that are underperforming.
- d. Providing more responsive and effective literacy support to incoming students that need it, especially those in Year 7.
- e. Continuing to improve the effectiveness of the targeting of Pupil Premium and 16-19 Bursary funding on disadvantaged students.
- f. Further developing the effectiveness of the school-home link.

The trust will ensure that teaching is never less than good, and is frequently outstanding. This will be done by:

- a. Middle leaders continuing to effectively monitor class room practice.
- b. Continuing to focus on the quality of differentiation and feedback to students in lessons.
- c. Running sessions as part of the school's in-house CPD programme that are aimed at the most experienced as well as the least experienced members of the staff teaching body.
- d. Using Performance Management procedures effectively wherever necessary.

The trust will ensure the curriculum continues to meet the needs of all individuals on the student body, steering the school through some years of great change to examinations at both GCSE and A Level. It will do this by:

- a. Developing new schemes of work in KS3, as appropriate, in light of the new National Curriculum.
- b. Introducing new GCSE specifications according to the timetable below:
 2015: Maths, English Language and English Literature to Y10 and Biology, Chemistry and Physics to Y9.
 2016: All other subjects to Y10.
- c. Introducing new A Level specifications as follows:
 - 2015: Art and Design, Biology, Business, Chemistry, Computing, English Literature, History, Physics, Psychology. 2016: French, Geography, German, Music, RS (NB. this maybe delayed to 2017), Spanish, Sports Studies.
 - 2017: Design Technology, Maths, Further Maths.
- d. By reviewing the curriculum offer in all key stages, in the light of both budget cuts and the new GCSE and A Level specifications and assessment.

To maintain the very high standards of pupil behaviour and wellbeing by:

- a. Staff continuing to not accept behaviour that is anything less than that expected, including the wearing of uniform, and the consistent implementation of the school's rewards and sanctions procedures.
- b. Developing use of the Behaviour Management module/s in SIMS.
- c. Increasing the size of the Student Support Team so that resources are in place to deal with the school's larger student body.
- d. Increasing the time allocation for Heads of Year, especially given the increasing size of the school's intake, and the possible increase in the number of pupils with challenging behaviour.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS - continued

e. Focusing on levels of attendance and punctuality and consistently applying the revised government regulations concerning authorised absence and making parents aware of the necessity for pupils to be in school during term time

To provide Outstanding boarding provision by:

- a. Ensuring that all of the highlighted areas in the 2012 Ofsted report have been rectified and and the systems are in place to ensure they continue to be carried out.
- b. Implementing the recommendations of the Boarding Review undertaken in summer 2014.
- c. Employing highly effective boarding staff and increasing the amount of training given to them.
- d. Continuing to improve the boarding premises and facilities.
- e. Improving the activities offered to boarders at weekends.
- f. Aiming to increase the number of boarders so that the greater income generated can be reinvested in the boarding facilities.

To improve the use of ICT by:

- a. Producing a 5 year strategic plan for ICT development.
- b. Developing the use of Assessment Manager to make data tracking more user friendly for class room teachers, Heads of Department and Heads of Year.
- c. Developing the use of automatic reports from SIMS for tracking of disadvantaged students.
- d. Developing the use of the Behaviour Management module/s in SIMS.
- e. Encouraging greater use of technology by sixth form students so as to maximise the school's wireless network and at the same time better prepare them for university and working practices.

FUNDS HELD AS CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE ON BEHALF OF OTHERS

The trustees hold no funds as custodian trustee.

AUDITOR

In so far as the trustees are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditor is unaware; and
- the trustees 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.

Trustees' report, incorporating a strategic report, approved by order of the board of trustees, as the company directors, on 30 November 2015 and signed on the board's behalf by:

Mr D Fuller Trustee

GOVERNANCE STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

Scope of Responsibility

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

The board of trustees has delegated the day-to-day responsibility to the Principal, 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 Sir Roger Manwood's School and the Secretary of State for Education. They are also responsible for reporting to the board of trustees any material weaknesses or breakdowns in internal control.

Governance

The information on governance included here supplements that described in the Report of the Trustees and in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities. The board of trustees has formally met 5 times during the year ended 31 August 2015. Attendance during the year at meetings of the board of trustees was as follows:

Trustee	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
Miss S Baker – resigned 31.8.15	1	5
Mr J Boyes	3	5
Mrs R C Daniels	5	5
Mr M Dyer *	0	5
Mrs C M Everard	5	5
Dr C Ewen (chairperson)	3	5
Mr D Fuller *	3	5
Mrs L M Gorringe*	5	5
Mrs G Hoffmann * – appointed 23.10.14	4	4
Mr L Hunter * (principal & accounting officer)	5	5
Dr R J Jackson - appointed 23.10.14	3	4
Mr A J Kilbee	5	5
Mr C D Pearce * (staff trustee) – appointed 20.11.14	4	4
Ms A Pujadas-Telmon (staff trustee)	4	5
Reverend M Roberts	4	5
Mrs J C Rosso	5	5
Mrs C S Sinnett-Smith* - resigned 6.1.15	2	2
Mrs A S Smith – appointed 23.10.14	3	4
Mr M Waite *	4	5
Dr A Weatherley	4	5

The board of trustees operates four committees that take responsibility for particular areas of governance. The table referred to above shows the trustee representation on each of the committees and their attendance at committee meetings. Each committee feeds into the full board of trustees at each of the meetings of the full board of trustees.

Two trustees resigned during the year. Four trustees were appointed during the year, which included one staff trustee. From the skills audit carried out last year, training needs were identified and a programme was put in place during the year for successions.

The finance and buildings and grounds committee is a sub-committee of the main board of trustees. Its purpose is:

To effectively plan and monitor the financial resources of the school. Due to the continued reductions in funding and the additional form of entry the committee paid particular attention to the setting of the budget for 2015-2016 and the projected 3 year budget.

GOVERNANCE STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

During the year Mrs G Hoffmann and Mr C Pearce joined the committee. Mrs C S Sinnett-Smith also resigned from the committee. Attendance at meetings in the year was as follows:

Trustee	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
Mr M Dyer	5	5
Mr D Fuller	5	5
Mrs L M Gorringe	1	5
Mrs G Hoffmann – appointed 23.10.14	3	4
Mr L Hunter	4	5
Mr C Pearce – appointed 20.11.14	2	2
Mrs C S Sinnett-Smith – resigned 6.1.15	0	2
Mr M Waite	3	5

Review of Value for Money

As accounting officer the principal 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 trust's use of its resources has provided good value for money during each academic year, and reports to the board of trustees where value for money can be improved, including the use of benchmarking data where available. The accounting officer for the academy trust has delivered improved value for money during the year by:

- reviewing staffing allocations, which rose for class room teachers without a Teaching and Learning Responsibility from 40 hours out of the 50 hour teaching week to 41, and which will rise again in 2015-16 to 42 out of 50
- reviewing the sixth form and Key Stage 4 curriculae
- constantly striving for best value in the purchase of all materials and services. A number of strategies are employed to ensure this, including the use of framework agreements, competitive quotations/tendering and negotiating with suppliers and contractors. Contractors are also closely monitored to ensure they provide the appropriate quality of service to the school.
- ensuring that appropriate benchmarking and the evaluation of services and supplies is carried out to test that value for money is being achieved. For instance, before signing a contract for a new website quotes were obtained from 3 suppliers despite the cost being under the amount actually required for three quotes to be obtained
- continuing to explore every opportunity for generation of income through donations, sponsorship, grants and the hiring of the school's facilities
- reviewing how the Combined Cadet Force, non-compulsory school trips (including Duke of Edinburgh), school
 events, the annual hard copy review of the school year, and work experience amongst others are delivered so that
 realistic costings are passed on to parents for these important but non-essential activities

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 trust policies, aims and objectives, to evaluate the likelihood of those risks being realised and the impact should they be realised, and to manage them efficiently, effectively and economically. The system of internal control has been in place in Sir Roger Manwood's School for the period 1 September 2014 to 31 August 2015 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements.

GOVERNANCE STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

Capacity to Handle Risk

The board of trustees has reviewed the key risks to which the academy trust is exposed together with the operating, financial and compliance controls that have been implemented to mitigate those risks. The board of trustees is of the view that there is a formal on-going process for identifying, evaluating and managing the academy trust's significant risks that has been in place for the period 1 September 2014 to 31 August 2015 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements. This process is regularly reviewed by the board of trustees.

The Risk and Control Framework

The academy trust's system of internal financial control is based on a framework of regular management information and administrative procedures including the segregation of duties and a system of delegation and accountability. In particular, it includes:

- comprehensive budgeting and monitoring systems with an annual budget and periodic financial reports which
 are reviewed and agreed by the board of trustees;
- regular reviews by the Finance and Building and Grounds 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;
- delegation of authority and segregation of duties;
- · identification and management of risks.

The board of trustees has considered the need for a specific internal audit function and has decided not to appoint an internal auditor. However, the trustees have appointed T Mills, an external sufficiently qualified individual, as Responsible Officer ('RO'), to perform additional checks. The RO's role includes giving advice on financial matters and performing a range of checks on the academy trust's financial systems. In particular, the checks carried out in the current period included:

- · testing of payroll systems
- · testing of purchase systems
- testing of income systems
- · testing of input VAT reclaims

On a termly basis, the RO reports to the board of trustees, through the Finance, Building and Grounds Committee on the operation of the systems of control and on the discharge of the board of trustees' financial responsibilities.

The RO function has been fully delivered in line with the EFA's requirements and all recommendations have been implemented.

Review of Effectiveness

As Accounting Officer, the Principal 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 Responsible Officer:
- the work of the external auditor;
- the work of the executive managers within the academy trust who have responsibility for the development and maintenance of the internal control framework.

The Accounting Officer has been advised of the implications of the result of their review of the system of internal control by the Finance and Buildings and Grounds 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 board of trustees on 30 November 2015 and signed on its behalf by:

Mr D Fuller Trustee

Mr L Hunter Accounting Officer

STATEMENT ON REGULARITY, PROPRIETY AND COMPLIANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

As accounting officer of Sir Roger Manwood's School I have considered my responsibility to notify the academy trust board of trustees and the Education Funding Agency of material irregularity, impropriety and non-compliance with EFA terms and conditions of funding, under the funding agreement in place between the academy trust and the Secretary of State for Education. As part of my consideration I have had due regard to the requirements of the Academies Financial Handbook.

I confirm that I and the academy trust board of trustees are able to identify any material irregular or improper use of funds by the academy trust, or material non-compliance with the terms and conditions of funding under the academy trust's funding agreement and the Academies Financial Handbook.

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 board of trustees and EFA.

Mr 4 Hunter

Accounting Officer

Date: 30 November 2015

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

The trustees (who act as governors of Sir Roger Manwood's School and are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with the Annual Accounts Direction published by the Education Funding Agency, United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the trustees 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 year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2005;
- 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; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The trustees 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 trustees are responsible for ensuring that in its conduct and operation the charitable company applies financial and other controls, which conform with the requirements both of propriety and of good financial management. They are also responsible for ensuring grants received from the Education Funding Agency and Department for Education have been applied for the purposes intended.

The trustees 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 legislation in other jurisdictions.

Approved by order of the members of the board of trustees on 30 November 2015 and signed on its behalf by:

Mr D Fuller Trustee

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR TO THE MEMBERS OF SIR ROGER MANWOOD'S SCHOOL (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

We have audited the financial statements of Sir Roger Manwood's School for the year ended 31 August 2015 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law, United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and the Academies Accounts Direction 2014 to 2015 (SORP 2005) issued by the Education Funding Agency.

This report is made solely to the charitable company'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 charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' 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 charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Auditors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities set out on page fourteen, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charitable company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the trustees; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Report of the Trustees to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of preforming the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 August 2015 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the Academies Accounts Direction 2014 to 2015 (SORP 2005) issued by the Education Funding Agency.

Opinion on other matter prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion the information given in the Report of the Trustees including the Strategic Report, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF SIR ROGER MANWOOD'S SCHOOL (A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or

- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or

- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or

- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

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Clair Rayner FCA DChA (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of McCabe Ford Williams Statutory Auditors and Chartered Accountants Bank Chambers
1 Central Avenue
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Kent
ME10 4AE

Date: 30 November 2015

INDEPENDENT REPORTING ACCOUNTANT'S ASSURANCE REPORT ON REGULARITY TO SIR ROGER MANWOOD'S SCHOOL AND THE EDUCATION FUNDING AGENCY

In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 29 October 2015 and further to the requirements of the Education Funding Agency (EFA) as included in the Academies Accounts Direction 2014 to 2015 (SORP 2005), we have carried out an engagement to obtain limited assurance about whether the expenditure disbursed and income received by Sir Roger Manwood's School during the period 1 September 2014 to 31 August 2015 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 Sir Roger Manwood's School and the EFA in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to Sir Roger Manwood's School and the EFA 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 Sir Roger Manwood's School and the EFA, for our work, for this report, or for the conclusion we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of Sir Roger Manwood's School's Accounting Officer and the Reporting Accountant The Accounting Officer is responsible, under the requirements of Sir Roger Manwood's School's funding agreement with the Secretary of State for Education dated 1 March 2011 and the Academies Financial Handbook, extant from 1 September 2014, 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 2014 to 2015 (SORP 2005). We report to you whether anything has come to our attention in carrying out our work which suggests that in all material respects, expenditure disbursed and income received during the period 1 September 2014 to 31 August 2015 have not been applied to purposes intended by Parliament or that the financial transactions do not conform to the authorities which govern them.

Approach

We conducted our engagement in accordance with the Academies Accounts Direction 2014 to 2015 (SORP 2005) issued by the EFA. We performed a limited assurance engagement as defined in our engagement letter.

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

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

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

The work undertaken to draw our conclusion includes:

- Review of the internal control environment which is designed to ensure compliance with regulations;
- Review of the accounting officer's consideration of issues surrounding regularity, propriety and compliance;
- Review of the work and reports of the responsible officer during the period;
- Analytical procedures regarding declaration of potential conflicts of interest by key staff and the board of trustees;
- Review of fixed asset transactions against the requirements of the funding agreement between Sir Roger Manwood's School and the Secretary of State and the Academies Financial Handbook;
- Testing of grants and other income for application in accordance with the terms and requirements attached;
- Review of the academy trust's activities to check they are in line with the Academies Framework and the academy trust's charitable objectives;
- Review of bank statements and financial transactions for indications of any items which may be improper;
- Review of bank accounts to check that they are operated within the terms of the academy trust's governing
 document and borrowing limits imposed by the funding agreement are not exceeded;
- Testing of expenditure, including expense claims for signs of transactions for personal benefit;
- Review of any extra-contractual payments made to staff;
- Review of procurement activity during the period.

INDEPENDENT REPORTING ACCOUNTANT'S ASSURANCE REPORT ON REGULARITY TO SIR ROGER MANWOOD'S SCHOOL AND THE EDUCATION FUNDING AGENCY

Conclusion

In the course of our work, nothing has come to our attention which suggests that in all material respects the expenditure disbursed and income received during the year ended 31 August 2015 has not been applied to purposes intended by Parliament and the financial transactions do not conform to the authorities which govern them.

Clair Rayner FCA DChA (Senior Reporting Accountant) for and on behalf of McCabe Ford Williams
Statutory Auditors and Chartered Accountants
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Date: 30 November 2015

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT AND A STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted General Funds	Restricted Fixed Asset Funds	31.08.15 Total Funds	31.08.14 Total Funds
	Note	£	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES			•			
Incoming resources from generated full	_	14,167	470	10,500	25,137	35,944
Voluntary income Activities for generating funds	2 3	221,217	333,330	10,300	554,547	453,767
Investment income	4	5,994	300	-	6,294	6,810
Incoming resources from charitable act	-	0,00			-,	
Funding for the academy's	5	-	4,316,883	17,537	4,334,420	4,526,649
educational operations Provision of boarding activities	26	-	528,511	-	528,511	563,027
Total incoming resources		241,378	5,179,494	28,037	5,448,909	5,586,197
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RESOURCES EXPENDED						
Cost of generating funds: Fundraising trading	7	117,891	311,855	_	429,746	367,447
Charitable activities:	,	117,001	011,000		120,1 10	001,111
Academy's educational operations	8	64,107	4,226,592	318,701	4,609,400	4,781,461
Provision of boarding activities	26	· -	517,889	-	517,889	518,482
Governance costs	9	-	10,290		10,290	10,645
Total resources expended	6	181,998	5,066,626	318,701	5,567,325	5,678,035
Net incoming/ (outgoing)		59,380	112,868	(290,664)	(118,416)	(91,838)
resources before transfers		,	•	,		,
Cross transfers between funds	19	(52 110)	30,409	22,710		_
Gross transfers between funds	19	(53,119)	30,400	22,110		
Net income/(expenditure) for the year	ar	6,261	143,277	(267,954)	(118,416)	(91,838)
Other recognised gains and losses Actuarial gains/(losses) on defined benefit pension schemes	19 & 24	-	5,000	-	5,000	(19,000)
Net movement in funds for the year		6,261	148,277	(267,954)	(113,416)	(110,838)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS						
Total funds brought forward		_528,406	(731,267)	13,887,929	13,685,068	13,795,906
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD)	534,667	(582,990)	13,619,975	13,571,652	13,685,068

All of the academy's activities derive from continuing operations during the above two financial periods.

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

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 AUGUST 2015

		31.08.15 £	31.08.15 £	31.08.14 £	31.08.14 £
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets	Notes 13		13,628,226		13,844,747
CURRENT ASSETS Stocks Debtors Cash at bank and in hand LIABILITIES	14 15	2,685 164,908 1,114,992 1,282,585		4,093 189,134 1,013,675 1,206,902	
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	16	(466,909)		(556,831)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			815,676		650,071
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CULIABILITIES	JRRENT		14,443,902		14,494,818
CREDITORS Amounts falling due after more than one year Pension scheme liability	17 24		(16,250) (856,000)		(8,750) (801,000)
NET ASSETS INCLUDING LIABILITY	PENSION		13,571,652		13,685,068
FUNDS OF THE ACADEMY: RESTRICTED FUNDS Fixed asset funds General funds Pension fund TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS	19 19 19	13,619,975 273,010 (856,000)	13,036,985	13,887,929 69,733 (801,000)	13,156,662
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS General funds TOTAL UNRESTRICTED FUND	19 S	534,667	534,667	528,406	528,406
TOTAL FUNDS			13,571,652		13,685,068

The financial statements on pages nineteen to forty two were approved by the trustees, and authorised for issue on 30 November 2015 and are signed on their behalf by:

Mr D Fuller Trustee

CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	lotes	31.08.15 £	31.08.14 £
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	1	170,916	(30,604)
Returns on investments and servicing of finance	2	6,294	6,810
Capital expenditure and financial investment	2	(84,643)	(33,295)
		92,567	(57,089)
Financing	2	8,750	10,000
Increase/(decrease) in cash in the period		101,317	(47,089)
Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds	3		
Increase/(decrease) in cash in the period		101,317	(47,089)
Cash inflow from increase in debt and lease financing		(8,750)	_(10,000)
Change in net funds resulting from cash flows		92,567	_(57,089)
Movement in net funds in the period Net funds at 1 September 2014		92,567 1,003,675	(57,089) 1,060,764
Net funds at 31 August 2015		1,096,242	1,003,675

NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

1.	RECONCILIATION OF NET OUTGOING RESOURCES TO NET CAS	H INFLOW/(OUTFL	OW) FROM
		31.08.15	31.08.14
		£	£
	Net outgoing resources	(118,416)	(91,838)
	Depreciation charges (note 6)	317,651	326,092
	Interest received (note 4)	(6,294)	(6,810)
	FRS 17 pension cost less contributions payable (note 24)	49,000	25,000
	FRS 17 pension finance costs (note 24)	11,000	26,000
	Decrease/(increase) in stocks	1,408	(801)
	Decrease in debtors	24,226	23,434
	Decrease in creditors	(91,172)	(113,710)
	Capital grants from DfE/EFA (note 5)	(17,537)	(254,224)
	Revenue expenditure from capital grants	1,050	36,253
	Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	170,916	(30,604)
2.	ANALYSIS OF CASH FLOWS FOR HEADINGS NETTED IN THE CASH FLO	W STATEMENT	
		31.08.15	31.08.14
		£	£
	Returns on investments and servicing of finance	0.004	0.040
	Interest received	6,294	6,810
	Net cash inflow for returns on investments and servicing of finance	6,294	6,810
	Capital expenditure and financial investment		
	Capital grants from DfE/EFA (note 5)	17,537	254,224
	Revenue expenditure from capital grants	(1,050)	(36,253)
	Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(101,130)	(251,266)
	Net cash outflow for capital expenditure and financial investment	(84,643)	(33,295)
	Financing		
	New loans in year	10,000	10,000
	Loan repayments in year	(1,250)	
	Net cash inflow from financing	8,750	10,000
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NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

3. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	At 1.9.14 £	Cash flow £	At 31.8.15 £
Net cash: Cash at bank and in hand	1,013,675	101,317	1,114,992
	1,013,675	101,317	1,114,992
Debt:			
Debts falling due within one year Debts falling due after one year	(1,250) (8,750)	(1,250) (7,500)	(2,500) (16,250)
	(10,000)	(8,750)	(18,750)
Total	1,003,675	92,567	1,096,242

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

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention in accordance with applicable United Kingdom Accounting Standards, the Charity Commission 'Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities' ('SORP 2005'), the Annual Academies Accounts Direction 2014 to 2015 (SORP 2005) published by the Education Funding Agency and the Companies Act 2006. A summary of the principal accounting policies, which have been applied consistently, except where noted, is set out below.

Going concern

The trustees assess whether the use of going concern is appropriate i.e. whether there are any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the company to continue as a going concern. The trustees make this assessment in respect of a period of one year from the date of approval of the financial statements. Sir Roger Manwood's School holds significant reserves and has significant cash balances. The academy produces its annual budgets with prudent figures for both income and expenditure. For this reason the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are recognised when the academy trust has entitlement to the funds, certainty of receipt and the amount can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Grants receivable

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 entitlement of receipt its recognition is deferred and included in creditors as deferred income. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, the income is accrued. Details of specific grants can be found in note 5.

General Annual Grant is recognised in full in the year for which it is receivable and any unspent amount is reflected as a balance in the restricted general fund. Capital grants are recognised when receivable and are not deferred over the life of the asset on which they are expended. Unspent amounts of capital grant are reflected in the balance in the restricted fixed asset fund.

Donations

Donations are recognised on a receivable basis where there is certainty of receipt and the amount can be reliably measured.

Other income

Other income, including the hire of facilities, is recognised in the period it is receivable and to the extent the goods have been provided or on completion of the service.

Donated services and gifts in kind

The value of donated services and gifts in kind provided to the academy trust are recognised at their open market value in the period in which they are receivable as incoming resources, where the benefit to the academy trust can be reliably measured. An equivalent amount is included as expenditure under the relevant heading in the Statement of Financial Activities, except where the gift in kind was a fixed asset in which case the amount is included in the appropriate fixed asset category and depreciated over the useful economic life in accordance with academy trust's policies.

Agency arrangements

The academy trust acts as an agent in distributing 16-19 bursary funds from EFA. Payments received from EFA and subsequent disbursements to students are excluded from the statement of financial activities as the trust does not have control over the charitable application of these funds. The funds received and paid and any balances held are disclosed in note 16.

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

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Property transferred upon conversion to an academy trust

Upon becoming an academy, the academy trust received title to the freehold of the school buildings for no consideration. The freehold property was valued based on the insurance rebuild cost and this was brought into the restricted fixed asset fund as a donation within the Statement of Financial Activities. The freehold land and buildings have since been valued by an independent professional valuer (the Education Funding Agency) on 31 August 2013. As the school is a specialised property the valuation has been assessed on a depreciated replacement cost basis after allowance for factors of age and obsolescence.

Resources expended

All expenditure is recognised in the period in which a liability is incurred and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to that category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with the use of resources, with central staff costs allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use. Other support costs are allocated based on the spread of staff costs. All resources expended are inclusive of irrecoverable VAT, where applicable.

Costs of generating funds

These are costs incurred in attracting voluntary income, and those incurred in trading activities that raise funds.

Charitable activities

These are costs incurred on the academy trust's educational operations.

Governance costs

These include the costs attributable to the academy trust's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and trustees' meetings and reimbursed expenses.

Tangible fixed assets

Assets costing £1,000 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. 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 such assets is charged to the restricted fixed asset fund in the Statement of Financial Activities so as to reduce the fund over the useful economic life of the related asset on a basis consistent with the academy's depreciation policy.

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

Freehold property School equipment Fixtures and fittings Motor vehicles Computer equipment straight line over 50 years
straight line over 5 years
straight line over 5 years
straight line over 5 years

- straight line over 3 years

Assets in the course of construction are included at cost. Depreciation on these assets is not charged until they are brought into use. A review for impairment of a fixed asset is carried out if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of any fixed asset may not be recoverable. Shortfalls between the carrying value of fixed assets and their recoverable amounts are recognised as impairments. Impairment losses are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities.

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

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Leased assets

Rentals under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the lease term.

Stock

Catering stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, on a first in first out basis, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

Taxation

The academy trust is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the academy trust is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 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.

Pensions benefits

Retirement benefits to employees of the academy trust are provided by the Teachers' Pension Scheme ('TPS') and the Local Government Pension Scheme ('LGPS'). These are defined benefit schemes and the assets are held separately from those of the academy trust.

The TPS is an unfunded scheme and contributions are calculated so as to spread the cost of pensions over employees' working lives with the academy trust in such a way that the pension cost is a substantially level percentage of current and future pensionable payroll. The contributions are determined by the Government Actuary on the basis of quinquennial valuations using a prospective benefit method. As stated in note 24, the TPS is a multi employer scheme and the academy trust is unable to identify its share of the underlying assets and liabilities of the scheme on a consistent and reasonable basis. The TPS is therefore treated as a defined contribution scheme and the contributions recognised as they are paid each year.

The LGPS is a funded scheme and the assets are held separately from those of the academy trust in separate trustee administered funds. Pension scheme assets are measured at fair value and liabilities are measured on an actuarial basis using the projected unit 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 gains and losses on settlements and curtailments. They are included as part of staff costs. Past service costs are recognised immediately in the Statement of Financial Activities if the benefits have vested. If the benefits have not vested immediately, the costs are recognised over the period until vesting occurs. The expected return on assets and the interest cost are shown as a net finance amount of other finance costs or credits adjacent to interest. Actuarial gains and losses are recognised immediately in other gains and losses.

Fund Accounting

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

Restricted fixed asset funds are resources which are to be applied to specific capital purposes imposed by the Education Funding Agency/Department for Education and other funders where the asset acquired or created is held for a specific purpose.

Restricted general funds comprise all other restricted funds received with restrictions imposed by the funder/donor and include grants from the Education Funding Agency and Kent County Council.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2014

2.	Other donations	Unrestricted Funds £ 14,167	Restricted Funds £ 10,970 10,970	31.08.15 Total Funds £ 25,137 25,137	31.08.14 Total Funds £ 35,944 35,944
3.	ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	31.08.15 Total Funds £	31.08.14 Total Funds £
	School trip income Lettings Student resales Catering Fundraising events Other income	14,434 16,441 20,424 136,080 11,837 22,001	299,410 - - 33,920 - - 333,330	313,844 16,441 20,424 136,080 45,757 22,001 554,547	204,004 3,457 21,914 137,775 69,350 17,267 453,767
4.	INVESTMENT INCOME	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	31.08.15 Total Funds £	31.08.14 Total Funds £
	Deposit account interest	5,994 5,994	300	6,294 6,294	6,810 6,810

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

5. FUNDING FOR THE ACADEMY'S EDUCATIONAL OPERATIONS

	DOS (SEA ORANTO		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	31.08.15 Total Funds £	31.08.14 Total Funds £
	DfE/EFA GRANTS General Annual Grant (GAG) Capital grants Other DfE/EFA grants		- - -	4,114,036 17,537 91,901	4,114,036 17,537 91,901	4,197,611 254,224 60,893
	·			4,223,474	4,223,474	4,512,728
	OTHER GOVERNMENT GRANTS Local authority grants Special educational projects		<u> </u>	110,946	110,946	9,367 4,554
			<u>-</u>	110,946	110,946	13,921
			<u></u>	4,334,420	4,334,420	4,526,649
6.	RESOURCES EXPENDED	Staff Costs £	Premises Costs £	Other Costs £	31.08.15 Total £	31.08.14 Total £
	Costs of activities for generating funds	64,036	-	365,710	429,746	367,447
	Academy's educational operations Direct costs Allocated support costs Costs of boarding	3,202,404 246,587 281,566	174,314 73,809	592,073 394,022 162,514	3,794,477 814,923 517,889	3,892,085 889,376 518,482
		3,794,593	248,123	1,514,319	5,557,035	5,667,390
	Governance costs including allocated support costs	-	-	10,290	10,290	10,645
		3,794,593	248,123	1,524,609	5,567,325	5,678,035
	Incoming/outgoing resources for the y	vear include:			04 00 45	24.00.44
	Operating leases Auditors' remuneration Auditors' remuneration for non-audit v Auditors' remuneration over provision Depreciation – owned assets		-		31.08.15 £ 11,991 7,885 3,000 (1,375) 317,651	31.08.14 £ 13,191 7,625 3,875 (1,375) 326,092

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

7. COSTS OF ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	31.08.15 Total Funds £	31.08.14 Total Funds £
	Catering School trips etc Staff costs	48,834 5,021 64,036	311,855	48,834 316,876 64,036	56,997 240,703 69,747
		117,891	311,855	429,746	367,447
8.	CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES - ACADEMY'S EDUCA	TIONAL OPERA	ATIONS		
		Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	31.08.15 Total £	31.08.14 Total £
	Direct costs Teaching and educational support staff costs Depreciation Technology costs Educational supplies Examination fees Staff development Educational consultancy	27,795 - - - -	3,202,404 294,734 3,632 138,704 102,663 11,314 13,231	3,202,404 294,734 3,632 166,499 102,663 11,314 13,231	3,246,111 304,845 26,104 176,888 113,755 13,903 10,479
		27,795	3,766,682	3,794,477	3,892,085
	Allocated support costs Support staff costs Depreciation Technology costs Recruitment and support Maintenance of premises and equipment Professional fees Cleaning Rent, rates and water Insurance Energy costs Security and transport Catering Hire of equipment Bank interest and charges FRS17 interest less expected return on assets Other support costs	18,698 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	246,587 22,917 69,005 13,558 74,178 23,503 92,580 36,552 31,325 63,584 11,873 8,761 11,991 3,907 11,000 57,290	246,587 22,917 69,005 13,558 74,178 42,201 92,580 36,552 31,325 63,584 11,873 8,761 11,991 3,907 11,000 74,904	225,280 21,247 20,414 16,751 160,320 40,904 90,392 35,919 35,388 97,613 14,294 14,054 13,191 3,139 26,000 74,470
	-	64,107	4,545,293	4,609,400	4,781,461

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

9. GOVERNANCE COSTS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	31.08.15 Total £	31.08.14 Total £
Legal and professional fees Auditor's remuneration	-	780	780	520
Auditor's remuneration Audit of financial statements	-	7,885	7,885	7,625
Accounts preparation	-	1,000	1,000	1,000
Other non audit related services		2,000	2,000	2,875
Over provision		(1,375)	(1,375)	(1,375)
		10,290	10,290	_10,645

10. STAFF

Staff costs

Staff costs during the period were:	31.08.15 £	31.08.14 £
Wages and salaries Social security costs Pension costs	3,045,450 223,217 494,825	3,052,715 221,397 492,578
	3,763,492	3,766,690
Supply staff costs Staff restructuring costs	31,101	13,799 14,000
	3,794,593	3,794,489

Staff severance payments

Included in staff restructuring costs are non statutory/non contractual severance payments totalling £nil (2014: £14,000). Last year one of the non statutory/non contractual payments exceeded £5,000 individually, and this was for £10,000.

Staff numbers

The average number of persons (including senior management team) employed by the Academy during the year was as follows:

	31.08.15	31.08.14
Charitable activities Teachers and educational support Administration and support Management	70 45 5	96 21 <u>5</u>
	120	122

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

10. STAFF - continued

Staff numbers - continued

The average number of persons (including senior management team) employed by the Academy during the year expressed as full time equivalents was as follows:

	31.08.15	31.08.14
Charitable activities Teachers and educational support Administration and support Management	62 30 5	56 35 5
	97	<u>96</u>

Higher paid staff

The number of employees whose emoluments fell within the following bands above £60,000 was:

	31.08.15	31.08.14
£60,001 - £70,000	2	2
	1	1
£70,001 - £80,000		

All of the above employees participated in the Teachers' Pension Scheme.

11. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS - TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

The Principal and other staff trustees only receive remuneration in respect of services they provide undertaking the roles of Principal and staff and not in respect of their services as trustees. Other trustees did not receive any payments, other than expenses, from the Academy in respect of their role as trustees. The value of trustees' remuneration and other benefits was as follows:

L Hunter (Principal and trustee):	277 222 222 222 (2244, 277 222 222 222)
Remuneration	£75,000 - £80,000 (2014: £75,000 - £80,000)
Employer's pension contributions	£10,000 - £15,000 (2014: £10,000 - £15,000)
A Pujadas-Telmon (staff trustee):	
Remuneration	£45,000 - £50,000 (2014: £45,000 - £50,000)
Employer's pension contributions	£5,000 - £10,000 (2014: £5,000 - £10,000)
C Pearce (staff trustee appointed 1.9.14):	
Remuneration	£50,000 - £55,000 (2014: nil)
Employer's pension contributions	£5,000 - £10,000 (2014: nil)
J Williams (staff trustee resigned 31.8.14):	
Remuneration	nil (2014: £40,000 - £45,000)
Employer's pension contributions	nil (2014: £5,000 - £10,000)
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Other related party transactions involving the trustees are set out in note 25.

12. TRUSTEES' AND OFFICERS' INSURANCE

The academy trust has opted into the Department of Education's risk protection arrangement (RPA), an alternative to insurance where UK government funds cover losses that arise. This scheme protects trustees and officers from claims arising from negligent acts, errors or omissions occurring whilst on academy business, and provides cover up to £10,000,000. It is not possible to quantify the trustees and officers indemnity element from the overall cost of the RPA scheme.

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

13.	TANGI	RIF	FIXED	ASSETS
1.0.	IANG	DLL	LIVED	AUUL IU

•				Fixtures			
		Freehold	School	and	Motor	Computer	
	,	Property	Equipment	Fittings	Vehicles	Equipment	Totals
		£	£	£	£	£	£
	COST					404.050	4.4.050.004
	At 1 September 2014	14,681,006	84,098	17,347	47,381	121,059	14,950,891
	Additions	9,737	<u>10,826</u>	10,053		70,514	101,130
			04.004	07.400	47.004	404 570	45 050 004
	At 31 August 2015	14,690,743	94,924	27,400	47,381	191,573	<u>15,052,021</u>
		-					
	DEPRECIATION						
	At 1 September 2014	896,830	45,580	10,540	32,135	121,059	1,106,144
	Charge for year	260,206	18,984	5,480	9,476	23,505	317,651
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	At 31 August 2015	1,157,036	64,564	16,020	41,611	144,564	1,423,795
	· ·						
	At 31 August 2015	13,533,707	30,360	11,380	5,770	47,009	13,628,226
							10011717
	At 31 August 2014	13,784,176	38,518	6,807	<u> 15,246</u>		13,844,747

Included in cost or valuation of land and buildings is freehold land of £1,694,337 (2014: £1,694,337) which is not depreciated.

STOCKS 14.

	Catering	31.08.15 £ 	31.08.14 £ 4,093
15.	DEBTORS	31.08.15	31.08.14
	Trade debtors VAT Prepayments and accrued income	£ 113,982 42,614 8,312	£ 104,171 58,944 26,019
		164,908	189,134

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

16.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		
10.	ONEDITORO, AIROSTITO FAELINO DOE WITHIN ONE TEAM	31.08.15	31.08.14
	04 1 (140)	£	£
	Other loans (see note 18) Trade creditors	2,500 71,089	1,250 113,758
	Social security and other taxes	125,060	127,429
	Other creditors	54,019	15,246
	Accrued expenses and deferred income	214,241	299,148
		466,909	_556,831
	Deferred income		
		04.00.45	04.00.44
		31.08.15 £	31.08.14 £
	Deferred income at 1 September	201,242	184,637
	Resources deferred in the year	199,982	201,242
	Amounts released from previous years	(201,242)	(184,637)
	Deferred income at 31 August	199,982	201,242
	At the balance sheet date the academy trust was holding funds received in advarterm 2015, totalling £199,982 (2014: £201,242).	nce for boarding	for the autumn
	Agency arrangements The academy trust distributes 16-19 bursary funds to students as an agent for the ending 31 August 2015 the trust received £18,721 and disbursed £8,826 from the included in other creditors relating to undistributed funds that is repayable to EFA.		
17.	CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR		
•••		31.08.15	31.08.14
		£	£
	Other loans (see note 18)	16,250	8,750
18.	LOANS		
	An analysis of the maturity of leans is given heleur		
	An analysis of the maturity of loans is given below:	31.08.15	31.08.14
		£	£
	Amounts falling due within one year on demand:		
	Other loans	2,500	1,250
	Amounts falling between one and two years		
	Other loans – 1-2 years	2,500	2,500
	Amounts falling between two and five years		
	Other loans – 2-5 years	10,000	6,250

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

18. LOANS - continued

•	31.08.15 £	31.08.14 £
Amounts falling due in more than five years: Repayable by instalments:	-	
Other loans more than 5 years	3,750	

During the previous year, a loan was taken out with Salix Finance, which is approved by the EFA, for the boiler project. This is an interest free loan, and repayments will be made twice yearly over the next eight years from the savings that accrue from the boiler upgrade.

19. FUNDS

TONDO				Gains,	
		Incoming	Resources	Losses and	
	At 1.09.14	Resources	Expended	Transfers	At 31.08.15
	AC 1.03.14 £	£	£	£	£
- Destricted general funds	٨	~	~	~	~
Restricted general funds		4,114,036	(3,976,682)	15,191	152,545
General Annual Grant (GAG)	54,717	334,100	(323,224)	(6,080)	59,513
School Voluntary Fund	•	•	(188,831)	(10,361)	18,671
Other grants	15,016	202,847	, , ,		(856,000)
Pension reserve	(801,000)	-	(60,000)	5,000	
Boarding reserve		528,511	(517,889)	31,659	42,281
	(731,267)	5,179,494	(5,066,626)	35,409_	(582,990)
Restricted fixed asset funds				•	
Transfer of property	13,556,580	-	(255,102)	-	13,301,478
Other assets	51,486	10,500	(25,435)	11,887	48,438
DfE/EFA capital grants	279,863	17,537	(38,164)	10,823	270,059
. •					
	13,887,929	28,037	(318,701)	22,710	13,619,975_
Total restricted funds	13,156,662	5,207,531	(5,385,327)	58,119	13,036,985
					
Unrestricted funds					
Unrestricted funds	431,064	241,378	(181,998)	44,223	534,667
Boarding	97,342	-	-	(97,342)	· -
Doarding .					
	528,406	241,378	(181,998)	(53,119)	534,667
					····
Total funds	13,685,068	5,448,909	(5,567,325)	5,000	<u>13,571,652</u>

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

General Annual Grant (GAG)

Funds must be used for the normal running costs of the Academy.

Under the funding agreement with the Secretary of State, the academy trust was not subject to a limit on the amount of GAG that it could carry forward at 31 August 2015.

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

19. FUNDS - continued

Other restricted general funds

Funding is provided by Government grants in addition to the GAG which must be used for the provision of education for special needs purposes and other specified activities.

Restricted fixed asset funds

Funding is provided by way of Government grants or capital expenditure from the GAG in order to acquire specified fixed assets for use by the Academy in achieving its educational objectives.

A one-off transfer of buildings and other fixed assets previously in use by Sir Roger Manwood's School occurred upon conversion to an Academy.

Unrestricted funds

Unrestricted funds can be used for any purpose at the discretion of the Academy.

Transfers between funds

During the year, the following transfers have been made:

GAG

£6,080 was transferred to GAG from the school voluntary fund to cover the cost of various expenditure during the vear.

A total of £10,361 was transferred to GAG from Other grants in relation to rates expenditure throughout the year. £1,250 was transferred from GAG to Fixed Assets during the year in relation to the loan repayment to Salix paid from savings from energy bills.

Total transfer £15,191.

Fixed Assets

£2,070 was transferred from boarding reserve to fixed asset funds being the cost of a washing machine purchased for the Lodge during the year.

£18,634 was transferred from unrestricted funds to fixed asset funds to cover the additional expenditure on assets not covered by devolved capital during the year.

£756 was transferred from unrestricted funds to fixed asset funds to cover the expenditure on assets in relation to the cycle scheme.

Boarding

During the year, the boarding fund brought forward was transferred to the restricted boarding reserve and the general unrestricted funds split £63,613 and £33,729 respectively. This is due to the incorrect allocation of costs in previous years and an adjustment has therefore been made to correct this.

20. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds	general funds	Restricted fixed asset funds £	Total Funds £
Tangible fixed assets Current assets Current liabilities Long term liabilities Pension scheme liability	534,667 - - -	693,295 (420,285) - (856,000)	13,628,226 54,623 (46,624) (16,250)	13,628,226 1,282,585 (466,909) (16,250) (856,000)
	534,667	(582,990)	13,619,975	13,571,652

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

21. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

	31.08.15 £	31.08.14 £
Contracted but not provided for in the financial statements	·	11,000

22. OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

At 31 August 2015 the Academy had annual commitments under non cancellable operating leases as follows:

	31.08.15 £	31.08.14 £
Other Expiring within one year Expiring within two and five years inclusive	1,917 3,784	3,882 6,075
	5,701	9,957

23. 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.

24. PENSION AND SIMILAR OBLIGATIONS

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 Kent County Council. Both are multi-employer defined-benefit schemes.

The pension costs are assessed in accordance with the advice of independent qualified actuaries. The latest actuarial valuation of the TPS related to the period ended 31 March 2012 and of the LGPS 31 March 2013.

Contributions amounting to £59,175 (2014: £59,289) were payable to the schemes at 31 August and are included within creditors.

Teachers' Pension Scheme

Introduction

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

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

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

24. PENSION AND SIMILAR OBLIGATIONS - continued

Valuation of the Teachers' Pension Scheme

Not less than every four years the Government Actuary, using normal actuarial principles, conducts a formal actuarial review of the TPS in accordance with the Public Service Pensions (Valuations and Employer Cost Cap) Directions 2014 published by HM Treasury. The aim of the review is to specify the level of future contributions. Actuarial scheme valuations are dependent on assumptions about the value of future costs, design of benefits and many other factors. The latest actuarial valuation of the TPS was carried out as at 31 March 2012 and in accordance with the Public Service Pensions (Valuations and Employer Cost Cap) Directions 2014. The valuation report was published by the Department for Education on 9 June 2014. The key elements of the valuation and subsequent consultation are:

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

During the year the employer contribution rate was 14.1%. The TPS valuation for 2012 determined an employer rate of 16.4% from September 2015, which will be payable during the implementation period until the next valuation as at March 2016, whereupon the employer contribution rate is expected to be reassessed and will be payable from 1 April 2019.

The pension costs paid to TPS in the period amounted to £345,403 (2014: £340,829). A copy of the valuation report and supporting documentation is on the Teachers' Pensions website. Under the definitions set out in Financial Reporting Standard (FRS 17) Retirement Benefits, the TPS is a multi-employer pension scheme. The trust has accounted for its contributions to the scheme as if it were a defined contribution scheme. The trust has set out above the information available on the scheme.

Local Government Pension Scheme

The LGPS is a funded defined-benefit scheme, with the assets held in separate trustee-administered funds. The total contribution made for the year ended 31 August 2015 was £136,000 (2014: £135,000), of which employer's contributions totalled £105,000 and employees' contributions totalled £31,000 (2014: £106,000 and £29,000). The agreed contribution rates for future years are 19.8 per cent for employers and range between 5.5 and 12.5 per cent for employees depending on pensionable pay.

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

Principal actuarial assumptions at the balance sheet date (expressed as weighted averages):

	31.08.15	31.08.14
Discount rate	4.00%	3.90%
Price increases	2.60%	2.60%
Expected return on scheme assets	6.00%	6.00%
Future salary increases	4.40%	4.40%
Future pension increases	2.60%	2.60%
Commutation of pension to lump sums	50.00%	50.00%

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

24. PENSION AND SIMILAR OBLIGATIONS - continued

Local Governmen	t Paneion	Scheme -	. continued
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The current mortality assumptions include sufficient allowance for future improvements in mortality rates. The assumed life expectations on retirement age 65 are:

	31.08.15	31.08.14
Retiring today Males Females	22.8 25.2	22.7 25.1
Retiring in 20 years Males Females	25.1 27.6	24.9 27.4

The following table sets out the impact of a small change in the discount rates on the defined benefit obligation and projected service cost along with a +/- 1 year age rating adjustment to the mortality assumption:

Adjustment to discount rate	£ +0.1%	£ 0.0%	£ -0.1%
Present value of total obligation	1,917,000	1,958,000	2,000,000
Projected service cost	150,000	153,000	156,000
Adjustment to mortality age rating assumption	+1 year	None	-1 year
Present value of total obligation	2,009,000	1,958,000	1,908,000
Projected service cost	157,000	153,000	149,000

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

	Fair value at 31 August 2015 £	Fair value at 31 August 2014 £
Equities Gilts Other bonds Property Cash Target return portfolio	746,000 11,000 121,000 148,000 29,000 47,000	649,000 12,000 112,000 97,000 40,000 41,000
Total market value of assets Present value of scheme liabilities -Funded	1,102,000	951,000
Deficit in the scheme	(856,000)	(801,000)

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

24. PENSION AND SIMILAR OBLIGATIONS - continued

Local Government Pension Scheme - continued

The expected return on assets is based on the long-term future expected investment return for each asset class at the beginning of the period. The returns on gilts and other bonds are assumed to be the gilt yield and corporate bond yield (with an adjustment to reflect default risk) respectively at the relevant date. The returns on equities and property are then assumed to be a margin above gilt yields.

The actual return on scheme assets was £25,000 (2014: 79,000).

The amounts recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities are as follows:

Current service cost (net of employee contributions) Total operating charge	Defined benefit Defined pension plans pe 31.08.15 £ 154,000	fined benefit nsion plans 31.08.14 £ 131,000
Analysis of pension finance income/(costs)		
Expected return on pension scheme assets Interest on pension liabilities	61,000 (72,000)	44,000 (70,000)
Pension finance costs	(11,000)	(26,000)

The actuarial gains and losses for the current year are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities. The cumulative amount of actuarial gains and losses recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities since the adoption of FRS 17 is a £143,000 loss (2014: £148,000 loss).

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

24. PENSION AND SIMILAR OBLIGATIONS - continued

Local Government Pension Scheme - continued

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

movements in the present value of the defined benefit obligations were as for	OWS.	
	Defined benefit benefi	efined benefit
	pension plans p	ension plans
	31.08.15	31.08.14
	£	£
Opening defined hanefit abligation	1,752,000	1,426,000
Opening defined benefit obligation	• •	, ,
Current service cost	154,000	131,000
Contributions by scheme participants	31,000	29,000
Interest cost	72,000	70,000
Estimated benefits paid	(10,000)	(20,000)
Actuarial (gains)/losses	(41,000)	116,000
·- ·		
	1,958,000	1,752,000
Movements in the fair value of Academy's share of scheme assets:		
Movements in the fair value of Adductiny o shall of scholing absolute	Defined benefit Defined benefi	afinad hanafit
	pension plans p	
	31.08.15	31.08.14
	£	£
Opening fair value of scheme assets	951,000	695,000
Contributions by employer	105,000	106,000
Contributions by scheme participants	31,000	29,000
Expected return	61,000	44,000
Estimated benefits paid	(10,000)	(20,000)
Actuarial (losses)/gains	(36,000)	97,000

The estimated value of employer contributions for the year ended 31 August 2016 is £101,000 (2015: £93,000).

1,102,000

951,000

Amounts for the current and preceding four periods are as follows:

	31.08.15	31.08.14	31.08.13	31.08.12	31.08.11
Defined benefit pension plans	£	£	£	£	£
Defined benefit obligation	(1,958,000)	(1,752,000)	(1,426,000)	(1,158,000)	(807,000)
Fair value of scheme assets	1,102,000	951,000	695,000	476,000	307,000
Surplus /(Deficit)	856,000	(801,000)	(731,000)	(682,000)	(500,000)
Experience adjustments on					
scheme assets	(36,000)	97,000	55,000	20,000	(6,000)
Experience adjustments on					
scheme liabilities		4,000	-	, .	-

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

25. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Owing to the nature of the Academy's operations and the composition of the board of Trustees being drawn from local public and private sector organisations, transactions may take place with organisations in which a member of the board of trustees has an interest. All transactions involving such organisations are conducted at arm's length and in accordance with the Academy's financial regulations and normal procurement procedures.

Malcolm Waite Limited - a company which Mr M Waite, a trustee, wholly owns.

Transactions totalling £3,778 (2014: £9,767), relating to the purchase of fuel, vehicle repairs and servicing took place in the period. There was a balance amounting to £11 owed by the academy to the company at the year end (2014: £nii).

In entering into the transactions the trust has complied with the requirements of the EFA's Academies Financial Handbook.

During the year under review Malcolm Waite Limited also made a donation to the school of nil (2014: £1,185).

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

26. ACADEMY BOARDING TRADING ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2015

Income	31.08.15 £	31.08.15 £	31.08.14 £	31.08.14 £
Fee income	527,169		561,652	
Other income	1,342		1,375	
•		528,511		563,027
Expenditure				
Direct Costs				
Staff costs	103,535		90,383	
Goods and services	86,824		73,512	
Other direct costs	30,318		78,279	
Total direct costs	220,677		242,174	
Indirect costs				
Staff costs	178,030		162,967	
Utilities	23,029		7,880	
Rent and rates	17,025		13,808	
Insurance	3,878		7,470	
Buildings maintenance	33,755		51,880	
Equipment and IT purchases	10,469		5,065	
Other indirect costs	31,026		27,238	
Total indirect costs	297,212		276,308	
Total operating costs		517,889		518,482
Surplus on Boarding		10,622		44,545
Surplus/(Deficit) brought forward		97,342		44,545 46,497
Transfers (to)/ from other funds		(65,683)		6,300
to the state of th		(00,000)		
Surplus carried forward		42,281		97,342

Transfers between funds

£2,070 was transferred to the fixed asset fund from the boarding fund to cover the costs of a new washing machine.

£63,613 was transferred to the general unrestricted funds due to an adjustment being made for the incorrect allocation of costs in previous years.