Company Registration Number: 07677510 (England and Wales)

WOODRUSH HIGH SCHOOL AN ACADEMY FOR STUDENTS AGED 11-18 LIMITED

(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020



CONTENTS

	Page
Reference and administrative details	1 - 2
Trustees' report	3
Governance statement	10 - 14
Statement on regularity, propriety and compliance	15
Statement of Trustees' responsibilities	16
Independent auditors' report on the financial statements	17 - 19
Independent reporting accountant's report on regularity	20 - 21
Statement of financial activities incorporating income and expenditure account	22 - 23
Balance sheet	24
Statement of cash flows	25
Notes to the financial statements	26 - 54

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Members

Mr C R Sambrook Ms N Rancins Mr G Denaro

Trustees

Mr P Amieli2

Mr G Denaro, Chair of Trustees1,2

Ms J Dyer2

Ms J Francis, Staff Trustee1

Mr I MacGregor1

Ms N Rancins, Headteacher 1,2 Mrs T Power, Parent Trustee 2

Mr C R Sambrook, Vice Chair of Trustees1

Mr A Sangha2

Mr B Taylor, Staff Trustee² Ms K Cholmondeley²

Dr K Iqbal (resigned 2 July 2020)1

Mr C Slater2

¹ Finance and Resources Committee

² Standards Committee

Company registered

number

07677510

Company name

Woodrush High School An Academy For Students Aged 11-18 Limited

Principal and registered

office

Wythall Worcester Worcestershire B47 5JW

Shawhurst Lane

Chief executive officer

Ms N Rancins

Senior management

team

Ms N Rancins, Headteacher Mr J Barber, Deputy Headteacher Mr D Monk, Deputy Headteacher

Mrs M Holtom- Brown, Assistant Headeacher

Mrs E Lawson, Assistant Headeacher Miss S Taylor, Assistant Headeacher Miss F Parker, Business Director

Independent auditors

Bishop Fleming LLP Chartered Accountants Statutory Auditors 1-3 College Yard Worcester WR1 2LB

Bankers

Lloyds Bank 9-11 Poplar Road

Solihull B91 3AN

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Solicitors

Stone King LLP 13 Queen Street

Bath BA1 2HJ

TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements and auditors' report of the charitable company for the year ended 31 August 2020. The annual report serves the purpose of both a Trustees' report, and a Directors' report under company law.

The Trust operates an academy for pupils aged 11 to 18 in Bromsgrove, Worcestershire. It has a pupil capacity of 1,080 and had a roll of 1,005 in the school census on 16th October 2019.

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 Woodrush High School An Academy For Students Aged 11 - 18 Ltd are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law.

Details of the Trustees who served throughout the year, except as noted, are included in the Reference and Administrative Details on pages 1 to 2.

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 they ceased to be a member.

Trade union facility time

Relevant union officials

Number of employees who were relevant union officials during the year Full time equivalent employee number	4 3.18
Percentage of time spent on facility time	3.14%

Percentage of time Number of employees

0%	3
1% - 50%	1
51% - 99%	-
100%	-

Percentage of pay bill spent on facility time

Total cost of facility time	£4,225
Total pay bill	£4,817,451
Percentage of total pay bill spent on facility time	0.09%

Paid trade union activities

Time spent on paid trade union activities as a percentage of total paid facility time hours - %

TRUSTEES REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Trustees' Indemnities

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

TRUSTEES

Method of Recruitment and Appointment or Election of Trustees

The number of Trustees shall be not less than three but shall not be subject to any maximum. Subject to Articles 48 49 and 64.

Policies and Procedures Adopted for the Induction and Training of Trustees

Following their appointment all new Trustees receive an introduction to their role from the Chairman and the Head teacher. The Board of Trustees at Woodrush is committed to providing adequate opportunities for Trustees to undertake and receive suitable training depending on their prior experience and/or knowledge. Trustees are regularly invited to attend in house training sessions which are appropriate to their role, but external trainers may be brought in, or Trustees may attend external training provision as appropriate. Trustees are provided with copies of all the documents that they will need to undertake their role.

Organisational Structure

The full Board of Trustees meets formally three times a year (once every term). Discussions are held and decisions are made or ratified as appropriate. There are 2 main committees which meet 4 times a year. They are as follows: The Finance and Resources Committee which incorporates the Audit Committee and The Standards Committee, which incorporates the Admissions Committee. These committees provide the opportunity for detailed discussion and policy development for each of their areas of school. Decisions are reached at committee for ratification at full board of trustees meetings as detailed in the terms of reference for each committee.

The Headteacher is the Accounting Officer.

Arrangements for Setting Pay and Remuneration of Key Management Personnel

Key management personnel within the Academy consist of the Trustees and the Senior Leadership Team. The Trustees review and set key management personnel pay annually with reference to national teachers pay scale rates.

Connected Organisations, including Related Party Relationships

During the period the Academy did not have any connected organisations or related party relationships. The Board of Trustees maintains a register of business interests, and "declarations of interest" is a standard agenda item at all Trustees' meetings.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objects and Aims

To INSPIRE, ACHIEVE and CELEBRATE

Our vision is to be a centre of excellence at the heart of our local community. Everything we do is aimed at improving our students' life chances.

TRUSTEES REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

We believe in developing life-long learners by delivering an exceptional education through consistently inspirational and challenging teaching, exemplary standards and aspirational goals.

We will ensure equality of opportunity for all; respecting individuals, their talents, qualities and needs so that every young person can thrive and experience success.

Our aims are to:

- Create an open, caring, safe environment where our students feel happy and where aspiration is always towards excellence
- Provide a rich, stimulating curriculum and high-quality teaching which enthuses, inspires and meets the needs of all our learners
- Support all our young people to develop self-confidence, self-motivation and self-discipline, equipping them with the knowledge and skills to be successful
- Promote a capacity for independent learning and the motivation to use that capacity
- Offer a wide range of experiences and opportunities beyond the formal curriculum
- · Celebrate the success, excellence and achievements of all our students
- Prepare students for the opportunities and responsibilities of adult life, supporting our young people to make a positive contribution to society
- Promote an active involvement in caring for the environment of the school, the local community and the wider world
- Encourage the interest and involvement of parents, governors, industry, commerce and the community in the life of the school and furthering the success of our students
- Promote a culture of innovation and development
- Deliver inspirational leadership which fosters a passion for learning in our students and staff

We encourage students to:

- Develop lively, enquiring minds capable of original thought and well-balanced critical argument.
- Become confident, independent learners, well-equipped for lifelong learning.
- Derive enjoyment from their learning which should extend their intellectual capacity, develop their interest and stimulate their curiosity.
- Embrace the many opportunities afforded by developments in information and communication technologies, whilst fully accepting the responsibilities that go with using them properly.
- Engage in a broad programme of experiences which enable them to appreciate their cultural inheritance and to understand more about themselves and the world in which they live.
- Develop the capacities to make informed, rational and responsible decisions and to work in ways
 which enhance their self-respect and sensitivity to the needs of others, particularly those less
 advantaged than themselves.
- Show respect for each other and all people working in the school, and to appreciate the diverse talents that contribute to our school community.
- Play a full part in creating a caring, supportive school environment.
- Develop a range of reasoned beliefs and values and a sympathy and respect for those held by others, which will prepare them to become considerate and responsible citizens.
- Display self-discipline and proper regard for authority.
- Foster good behaviour and avoid all forms of bullying.

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in Section 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit in exercising their powers or duties. They have referred to this guidance when reviewing the Academy Trust's aims and objectives and in planning its future activities.

TRUSTEES REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

STRATEGIC REPORT

Achievements and Performance

The Academy has achieved the following:

- Ofsted Overall effectiveness Good 18/19 (Outstanding Leadership & Management, Personal Development, Behaviour and Welfare)
- Teaching School Status (2014)
- Inclusion Quality Mark (Centre of Excellence)
- SSAT Framework for Exceptional Education in Principled Curriculum Design
- Leading Edge Aspect Award
- Leading Parent Partnership Award
- Community Engagement Award
- Princes Trust Award for Science, Geography and History
- Leading Edge Status
- Eco schools (Silver)
- · School Games mark
- NCS Champion School
- St John Ambulance Schools mark
- Food for life Partnership (Bronze)
- Healthy Schools
 Duke of Edinburgh Award
- ICT Mark Accredited
- Democracy Award
- NQT Quality Mark
- Mandarin Excellence Programme
- Attainment, progress rates, attendance, exclusions and destinations figures are all better than or in line with national averages
- Oversubscribed year on year for 180 student places (2017/18, 372, 2018/19, 396 and 2019/20, 474, 2020/21 482)

Key Performance Indicators

The Academy considers the following to be its Key Performance Indicators:

- Academic results above or at least in line with national averages. (both attainment and progress)
- Key performance data (behaviour / attendance) better than national averages
- Significant numbers of awards held
- Work with many national organisations such as SSAT as a leading-edge school
- Successful Teaching School achieving the national college key performance indicators
- Monthly financial KPIs:
- Staff costs to total income
- · Teaching costs to non-teaching costs
- GAG to non-GAG income
- · Pupil to teacher ratio
- Trade income trends

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 Going concern policy. The trustees have produced a financial forecast plan which has been submitted and discussed with the ESFA, in line with the current BFR requirements. The plan aims to eliminate the 'non-deferred' deficit within the next 2 years and be on track with our recovery plan.

TRUSTEES REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial Review

The accounting period covers from 1 September 2019 to the year end of 31 August 2020. The majority of the Academy Trust's income is obtained from the ESFA in the form of recurrent grants the use of which is restricted to particular purposes. The grants received from the ESFA during the Period Ended 31 August 2020 and the associated expenditure are shown as restricted funds in the statement of financial activities.

The academy receives grants for fixed assets from the DfE via the ESFA and they are shown in the Statement of Financial Activities as restricted income in the Fixed Asset Fund. The Restricted Fixed Asset Fund balance is reduced by annual depreciation charges over the useful life of the assets concerned, as defined in the academy's accounting policies.

During the year ended 31 August 2020, total expenditure of £5,994k (excluding depreciation charge of £284k and pension charges of £232k), was covered by recurrent grant funding from the DfE of £5,320k, together with other incoming resources of £823k (excluding capital grants). The excess of income over expenditure for the year (excluding restricted fixed asset funds and restricted pension funds) was £136k.

The academy received restricted fixed asset funding in the year of £1,330k. The fund balance stood at £14,687k as at 31 August 2020.

Total funds increased in the year by £1,227k, together with the brought forward funds from the previous financial year of £10,104k this resulted in carry forward funds of £11,331k, all but £20k of which is restricted. At 31 August 2020 the net book value of fixed assets was £13,455k and movements in tangible fixed assets are shown in note 14 to the financial statements. The assets were used for providing education and the associated support services to the pupils of the academy, as well as augmenting the operation of the Hub.

The academy has taken on the deficit in the Local Government Pension Scheme in respect of its non teaching staff transferred on conversion. The deficit is incorporated within the Statement of Financial Activity with details in note 26 to the financial statements.

Reserves Policy

Under the Woodrush High School Funding Agreement, the Trustees recognise the need to have sufficient reserves to protect against reductions in funding. The reserves will be held in line with the Academies Financial Handbook. The policy will aim to carry forward sufficient funds to meet the Academy Trust's long term aims and objectives, ensuring that this does not affect its current operational activities. We aim to return to a minimum of 1 months equivalent operating cost, which stands at £486k based upon current expenditure levels.

The Academy has an ongoing deficit which in part relates to an advance payment of a lease premium which will reduce the deficit over the 10 year period. The school has a detailed business plan for generating its own income with the newly built Hub and sports facilities of which the extra income will mainly be used to clear the deficit. However COVID 19 has impacted on ability to generate income through the trading elements of the Sports Centre and café due to their closure during lockdown.

The Trust currently has a deficit on free reserves of £168k, which is partly as a result of a decision to invest in the infrastructure of the Trust. As the Hub continues to develop and contribute to the Trust, and the school maintains pupil numbers, the Trustees expect to return to surplus free reserves.

Investment Policy

The Business Director together with the Finance and Premises committee will ensure any surplus funds are deposited to maximise interest whilst maintaining a safe and secure investment strategy.

TRUSTEES REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Principal Risks And Uncertainties

The principal risks for the Academy are:

- The main school admissions are oversubscribed. With increased numbers within the feeder primary school there is a basic need for additional school places and therefore expansion to the school premises needs to be investigated further.
- ESFA income remains limited resulting in surplus money having to be used to balance the budget
- The pay award contributions were only committed for 1 year and therefore any increases will have to be factored in as an increased cost to the Academy alongside pension increases.
- The ESFA is unable to provide budget information for more than 1 year in advance so the school is on only able to do future forecasting on estimated income
- Capital investment is needed for the maintenance of the poor quality buildings
- The large deficit that the Local government Pension fund is reporting
- Global pandemic resulting in uncertainty across the education sector and making forecasting unreliable.

Financial and risk management objectives and policies

The Finance and Resource Committee review the Academy Financial Policy and Procedures annually to bring them in line with the Academy Handbook. A Risk Management Strategy is also reviewed annually and a risk register compiled and approved by the Finance and Resources committee and reported to Full Governing body for ratification.

FUNDRAISING

All business operation will continue to ensure that unrestricted income is generated to support the core Academy education.

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

School Improvement Priorities:

- Principled curriculum design to meet the needs of all learners, preparing them for their next stages in education, employment, or training
- Create a culture of outstanding behaviour, positive attitudes to learning and effective support for the personal development and wellbeing of our students
- Develop and implement a recovery curriculum that; supports and promotes positive mental health, wellbeing, motivates students to re-engage in their learning and actively identifies and addresses knowledge gaps
- Develop a culture that actively promotes all aspects of student welfare and raises standards in the sixth form

FUNDS HELD AS CUSTODIAN TRUSTEE ON BEHALF OF OTHERS

During the period of 1 September 2019 to 31 August 2020 Woodrush High School did not hold any funds as a custodial trustee on behalf of any other charitable organisations.

TRUSTEES REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

AUDITORS

In so far as the Trustees are aware:

- · there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are 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 auditors are aware of that information.

The auditors, Bishop Fleming LLP, are willing to continue in office and a resolution to appoint them will be proposed at the annual general meeting.

Trustees' Report, incorporating a strategic report, was approved by order of the Board of Trustees, as company directors, on 10th December 2020 and signed on the board's behalf by:

Mr G Denaro

Chair of Trustees

GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

SCOPE OF RESPONSIBILITY

As Trustees, we acknowledge we have overall responsibility for ensuring that Woodrush High School An Academy For Students Aged 11-18 Limited has an effective and appropriate system of control, financial and otherwise. However, such a system is designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve business objectives, and can provide only reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss.

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

The board of Trustees has delegated the day-to-day responsibility to the Headteacher, 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 Woodrush High School An Academy For Students Aged 11-18 Limited 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 STATEMENT (CONTINUED)

GOVERNANCE

The information on governance included here supplements that described in the Trustees' report and in the statement of trustees' responsibilities. The board of Trustees has formally met 3 times during the year. To ensure that there is effective oversight of Funds, the Finance and Resources committee has also met three times during the year. The finance committee attendees attend all 6 meetings and share the financial information with the other trustees.

Attendance during the year at meetings of the board of Trustees was as follows:

Trustee	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
Mr P Amieli	3	3
Mr G Denaro, Chair	2	3
Ms J Dyer	1	3
Ms J Francis	2	3
Ms S Hession (Lee), resigned 16/07/2019	0	0
Mr I MacGregor	2	3
Ms N Rancins, Headteacher	3	3
Mrs T Power	0	3
Mr C R Sambrook, Vice Chair	3	3
Mr A Sangha, resigned 14/01/2019	0	0
Mr B Taylor	2	3
Ms K Cholmondeley, appointed 29/10/2018	2	2
Dr K Iqbal, appointed 20/06/2019	1	1
Mr C Slater, appointed 20/06/2019	2	3

Changes in the composition of the Board of Trustees in 2019/20 are as outlined above, and the members versus trustee split is under review for future years.

The Finance and Resources Committee is a sub-committee of the main board of Trustees. Its purpose is to act on matters delegated by the full governing body. Liaises and consults with other committees where necessary and contributes to the School/Academy Improvement Plan; in regards to Financial policy and planning, financial monitoring, Premises, Staffing / resource and the Teaching School. Committee members are appointed based on skills and experience with the required areas. It also incorporates the Audit Committee.

During the year, Karamat Iqbal has resigned. Attendance during the year at meetings was as follows:

Trustee	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
Mr G Denaro	3	3
Ms N Rancins	3	3
Mr C R Sambrook	2	3
Mr I MacGregor, Chair	2	3
Ms J Francis	2	3
Mr K Iqbal	1	2

GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (CONTINUED)

GOVERNANCE (CONTINUED)

The Standards Committee is also a sub-committee of the main board of Trustees. Its purpose is to act on matters delegated by the full governing body. Liaises and consults with other committees where necessary and contributes to the School/Academy Improvement Plan; in regards to Curriculum planning and delivery, uselessness and improvement, and engagement 3 times during the year. During 2019/20 one of the standards meetings had to be cancelled due to Covid, and was not able to be rearranged.

Attendance during the year at meetings was as follows:

Trustee	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
Mr G Denaro Ms N Rancins Ms J Dyer Mr P Amieli Mrs T Power, Chair	1 2 2 2 2 2	2 2 2 2 2
Mr B Taylor Ms K Cholomondeley	2 2	2

REVIEW OF VALUE FOR MONEY

As accounting officer, the Headteacher has responsibility for ensuring that the academy delivers good value in the use of public resources. The accounting officer understands that value for money refers to the educational and wider societal outcomes achieved in return for the taxpayer resources received.

The accounting officer considers how the academy's use of its resources has provided good value for money during each academic year, and reports to the Board of Trustees where value for money can be improved, including the use of benchmarking data where appropriate. The accounting officer for the academy has delivered improved value for money during the year by:

- setting the economic, efficient and effective use of all the resources for example to produce better educational results
- the implementation of an Integrated Curriculum Review across all Key Stages
- undertaking analysis of SLAs, contracts and licenses to review efficiencies and value for money
- the avoidance of waste and extravagance
- the prudent and economical administration of the organisation
- the establishment and maintenance of a system of financial governance, including sound internal spending controls, keeping up to date financial records, continuous financial monitoring and timely reporting
- following the schools procurement policy
- · benchmarking against similar local and national schools

THE PURPOSE OF THE SYSTEM OF INTERNAL CONTROL

The system of internal control is designed to manage risk to a reasonable level rather than to eliminate all risk of failure to achieve policies, aims and objectives. It can, therefore, only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance of effectiveness. The system of internal control is based on an on-going process designed to identify and prioritise the risks to the achievement of academy policies, aims and objectives, to evaluate the likelihood of those risks being realised and the impact should they be realised, and to manage them efficiently, effectively and economically. The system of internal control has been in place in Woodrush High School An Academy For Students Aged 11-18 Limited for the year 1 September 2019 to 31 August 2020 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements.

GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (CONTINUED)

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 ongoing process for identifying, evaluating and managing the academy's significant risks that has been in place for the year 1 September 2019 to 31 August 2020 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'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 General Purposes 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 DRB Schools and Academies Services Limited to perform internal scrutiny checks.

The internal scrutineer'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 reviews of purchases, contracts, capital grant expenditure, funding reconciliation, income, testing on payroll systems, accounting systems complexity, sensitivity and stability, and completion of reports and returns.

In addition, the scrutineer also reviews the non financial procedures in place in regards to Health and Safety and non financial risks.

The internal scrutiny provides the Board of Trustees with assurance that the trust's systems of internal control are effective and contribute to strong governance, risk management and control arrangements at the trust and within the areas checked that the following has been complied with:

- the financial responsibilities of the GB are being properly discharged
- resources are managed in an efficient, economical and effective manner
- · sound systems of internal control are being maintained
- financial considerations are fully considered in reaching decisions
- Health and safety and other non financial risks are also considered and mitigated as far as possible, in consultation with the Academy's external Health and Safety advisor.

The external auditors report to the Board of Trustees through the finance and resources committee on the operation of the systems of control and on the discharge of the Board of Trustees' financial responsibilities.

GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (CONTINUED)

REVIEW OF EFFECTIVENESS

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

- on discharge of the Board of Trustees financial decisions to help the committee consider actions and assess year on year progress
- the work of the external auditors;
- the financial management and governance self-assessment process;
- the work of the executive managers within the academy 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 General Purposes Committee 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 10th December 2020 their behalf by:

and signed on

Mr G Denaro Chair of Trustees Ms N Rancins Accounting Officer

STATEMENT ON REGULARITY, PROPRIETY AND COMPLIANCE

As accounting officer of Woodrush High School An Academy For Students Aged 11-18 Limited I have considered my responsibility to notify the academy board of Trustees and the Education & Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) of material irregularity, impropriety and non-compliance with terms and conditions of all funding received by the academy, under the funding agreement in place between the academy and the Secretary of State for Education. As part of my consideration I have had due regard to the requirements of the Academies Financial Handbook 2019.

I confirm that I and the academy board of Trustees are able to identify any material irregular or improper use of all funds by the academy, or material non-compliance with the terms and conditions of funding under the academy's funding agreement and the Academies Financial Handbook 2019.

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 ESFA.

Ms N Rancins
Accounting Officer

Date: 10th December 2020

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

The Trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the Academies Accounts Direction published by the Education and Skills Funding Agency, United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial. 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 period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP 2019 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2019 to 2020;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures
 disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The 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 ESFA/DfE 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 10th December 2020 and signed on its behalf by:

Mr G Denaro Chair of Trustees

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF WOODRUSH HIGH SCHOOL AN ACADEMY FOR STUDENTS AGED 11-18 LIMITED

OPINION

We have audited the financial statements of Woodrush High School An Academy For Students Aged 11-18 Limited (the 'academy') for the year ended 31 August 2020 which comprise the Statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law, United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', the Charities SORP 2015 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2018 to 2019 issued by the Education and Skills Funding Agency.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the academy's affairs as at 31 August 2020 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006, the Charities SORP 2019 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2019 to 2020 issued by the Education and Skills Funding Agency.

BASIS FOR OPINION

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

MATERIAL UNCERTAINTY RELATED TO GOING CONCERN

We draw attention to note 2.2 in the financial statements, which indicates that the current deficit on free reserves and requirement to secure expenditure savings may cast significant doubt on the academy's ability to continue as a going concern. As stated in note 2.2, these events or conditions, along with the other matters as set forth in note 2.2, indicate that a material uncertainty exists that may cast significant doubt on the academy's ability to continue as a going concern. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF WOODRUSH HIGH SCHOOL AN ACADEMY FOR STUDENTS AGED 11-18 LIMITED (CONTINUED)

OTHER INFORMATION

The Trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. Other information includes the Reference and administrative details, the Trustees' report including the Strategic report, and the Governance statement. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

OPINION ON OTHER MATTERS PRESCRIBED BY THE COMPANIES ACT 2006

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

- the information given in the Trustees' report including the Strategic report for the financial year for which
 the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.
- the Trustees' report and the Strategic report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

MATTERS ON WHICH WE ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT BY EXCEPTION

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

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

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

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF WOODRUSH HIGH SCHOOL AN ACADEMY FOR STUDENTS AGED 11-18 LIMITED (CONTINUED)

RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES

As explained more fully in the trustees' responsibilities statement, the Trustees (who are also the directors of the academy for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the academy's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the academy or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

AUDITORS' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

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

USE OF OUR REPORT

This report is made solely to the academy's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the academy's members those matters we are required to state to them in an 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 academy and its members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Andrew Wood FCCA (senior statutory auditor)

for and on behalf of Bishop Fleming LLP Chartered Accountants Statutory Auditors 1-3 College Yard Worcester

WR1 2LB

Date: 15th December 2020

INDEPENDENT REPORTING ACCOUNTANT'S ASSURANCE REPORT ON REGULARITY TO WOODRUSH HIGH SCHOOL AN ACADEMY FOR STUDENTS AGED 11-18 LIMITED AND THE EDUCATION & SKILLS FUNDING AGENCY

In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 31 August 2020 and further to the requirements of the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) as included in the Academies Accounts Direction 2019 to 2020, we have carried out an engagement to obtain limited assurance about whether the expenditure disbursed and income received by Woodrush High School An Academy For Students Aged 11-18 Limited during the year 1 September 2019 to 31 August 2020 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 Woodrush High School An Academy For Students Aged 11-18 Limited and ESFA in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to Woodrush High School An Academy For Students Aged 11-18 Limited and ESFA those matters we are required to state in a report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than Woodrush High School An Academy For Students Aged 11-18 Limited and ESFA, for our work, for this report, or for the conclusion we have formed.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF WOODRUSH HIGH SCHOOL AN ACADEMY FOR STUDENTS AGED 11-18 LIMITED'S ACCOUNTING OFFICER AND THE REPORTING ACCOUNTANT

The accounting officer is responsible, under the requirements of Woodrush High School An Academy For Students Aged 11-18 Limited's funding agreement with the Secretary of State for Education dated 30 November 2011 and the Academies Financial Handbook, extant from 1 September 2019, 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 2019 to 2020. We report to you whether anything has come to our attention in carrying out our work which suggests that in all material respects, expenditure disbursed and income received during the year 1 September 2019 to 31 August 2020 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 2019 to 2020 issued by ESFA. We performed a limited assurance engagement as defined in our engagement letter.

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

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

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

INDEPENDENT REPORTING ACCOUNTANT'S ASSURANCE REPORT ON REGULARITY TO WOODRUSH HIGH SCHOOL AN ACADEMY FOR STUDENTS AGED 11-18 LIMITED AND THE EDUCATION & SKILLS FUNDING AGENCY (CONTINUED)

CONCLUSION

In the course of our work, nothing has come to our attention which suggest in all material respects the expenditure disbursed and income received during the year 1 September 2019 to 31 August 2020 has not been applied to purposes intended by Parliament and the financial transactions do not conform to the authorities which govern them.

Andrew Wood FCCA (Reporting Accountants)

Bishop Fleming LLP
Chartered Accountants
Statutory Auditors
1-3 College Yard
Worcester
WR1 2LB

Date: 15th December 2020

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

		Unrestricted funds 2020	Restricted funds 2020	Restricted fixed asset funds 2020	Total funds 2020	Total funds 2019
	Note	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME FROM:						
Donations and capital						100 100
grants	4	11,452	-	1,330,975	1,342,427	108,409
Charitable activities		75,338	5,444,169	-	5,519,507	5,161,524
Teaching schools		132,055	23,333	-	155,388	162,720
Other trading activities		299,422	156,909	-	456,331	638,600
Investments	7	206	H	-	206	172
TOTAL INCOME		518,473	5,624,411	1,330,975	7,473,859	6,071,425
EXPENDITURE ON:						
Raising funds		267,315		-	267,315	301,876
Charitable activities		12,543	5,789,829	284,249	6,086,621	5,985,435
Teaching schools		-	156,595	144	156,595	160,766
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		279,858	5,946,424	284,249	6,510,531	6,448,077
Transfers between funds NET MOVEMENT IN	19	(238,615)	225,334	13,281	-	-
FUNDS BEFORE OTHER						
RECOGNISED GAINS/(LOSSES)		-	(96,679)	1,060,007	963,328	(376,652)
OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS/(LOSSES):					•	
Actuarial gains/(losses) on defined benefit pension schemes	26	-	264,000	~	264,000	(960,000)
NET MOVEMENT IN		_	167,321	1,060,007	1,227,328	(1,336,652)
FUNDS		-	-			

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT) (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Restricted funds 2020 £	Restricted fixed asset funds 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £	Total funds 2019 £
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:					
Total funds brought forward	20,000	(3,543,760)	13,627,406	10,103,646	11,440,298
Net movement in funds	-	167,321	1,060,007	1,227,328	(1,336,652)
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	20,000	(3,376,439)	14,687,413	11,330,974	10,103,646

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

The notes on pages 26 to 54 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 AUGUST 2020

	Note		2020 £		2019 £
FIXED ASSETS	Hote		2		2
Tangible assets CURRENT ASSETS	14		13,455,294		13,627,406
Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	15	1,380,620 527,070		205,764 277,139	
		1,907,690		482,903	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	16	(518,332)		(386,922)	
NET CURRENT ASSETS		**************************************	1,389,358		95,981
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			14,844,652		13,723,387
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	17		(325,678)		(399,741)
NET ASSETS EXCLUDING PENSION LIABILITY			14,518,974		13,323,646
Defined benefit pension scheme liability	26		(3,188,000)		(3,220,000)
TOTAL NET ASSETS			11,330,974		10,103,646
FUNDS OF THE ACADEMY Restricted funds:					
Fixed asset funds	19	14,687,413		13,627,406	
Restricted income funds	19	(188,439)		(323,760)	
Pension reserve	19	(3,188,000)		(3,220,000)	
Total restricted funds	19	<u> </u>	11,310,974		10,083,646
Unrestricted income funds	19		20,000		20,000
TOTAL FUNDS			11,330,974		10,103,646

The financial statements on pages 22 to 54 were approved by the Trustees, and authorised for issue on 10th December 2020 and are signed on their behalf, by:

Mr G Denaro Chair of Trustees

The notes on pages 26 to 54 form part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

	Note	2020 £	2019 £
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities	21	(926,958)	138,582
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	23	1,219,044	(21,781)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES	22	(42,155)	(39,731)
CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS IN THE YEAR		249,931	77,070
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		277,139	200,069
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE YEAR	24, 25	527,070	277,139

The notes on pages 26 to 54 form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Woodrush High School An Academy For Students Aged 11-18 Limited is a company limited by guarantee, incoporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Shawhurst Lane, Wythall, Worcestershire, B47 5.IW.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

A summary of the principal accounting policies adopted, judgments and key sources of estimation uncertainty, is set out below.

2.1 BASIS OF PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements of the academy, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared under the historic cost convention in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard Applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Academies Accounts Direction 2019 to 2020 issued by ESFA, the Charities Act 2011 and the Companies Act 2006.

Woodrush High School An Academy For Students Aged 11-18 Limited meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

2.2 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 Academy Trust to continue as a going concern. The Trustees make this assessment in respect of a period of at least one year from the date of authorisation for issue of the financial statements.

The Academy has a deficit on free reserves of £170k (2019: £304k), which has arisen partly due to the accounting for the funding and subsequent sub-lease of the Hub. Along with this the Trust has a loan from the ESFA that is being financed out of GAG income (notes 16 and 17). Also, historically there have been decisions to apply GAG funding to the purchase of fixed assets.

The Trustees have prepared forecasts that indicate that expenditure in the coming year will only be met by incoming resources (including net revenue being generated from The Hub) if the Academy reduces costs. The Trustees are currently analysing options to finalise the plans as to how savings will be achieved to enable the Academy to meet its day to day working capital requirements for a period of at least 12 months from the date of approval of these financial statements. The Trustees are confident this will be achieved. The Academy is carrying £162k (2019: £193k) of deferred lease premium, which will be released to incoming resources (and therefore increasing free reserves accordingly) over the remaining length of the lease.

The Trustees are currently reviewing the financial position of the Academy to ensure it has a surplus on free reserves in the medium to long term, and the Trustees assume that the Academy will be able to continue to operate as forecast during this period.

The Trustees' assessment that it is appropriate to use the going concern assumption is based on the following:

- a) sufficient expenditure savings are achieved to enable the Academy to meet its day to day working capital requirements for a period of at least 12 months from the date of these financial statements;
- b) there is no significant unbudgeted expenditure or capital expenditure, unless supported by additional funding during this period; and
- c) income is received in line with forecast.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.2 GOING CONCERN (CONTINUED)

On this basis the Trustees have concluded that the Academy has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

2.3 INCOME

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

Grants

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

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

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

Donations

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

Other income

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

2.4 EXPENDITURE

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

Expenditure on raising funds

This includes all expenditure incurred by the academy to raise funds for its charitable purposes and includes costs of all fundraising activities events and non-charitable trading.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.4 EXPENDITURE (CONTINUED)

· Charitable activities

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

All resources expended are inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

2.5 INTEREST RECEIVABLE

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

2.6 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. Where there are specific conditions attached to the funding requiring the continued use of the asset, the related grants are credited to a restricted fixed asset fund in the statement of financial activities and carried forward in the balance sheet. Depreciation on the relevant assets is charged directly to the restricted fixed asset fund in the statement of financial activities. Where tangible fixed assets have been acquired with unrestricted funds, depreciation on such assets is charged to the unrestricted fund.

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

Depreciation is provided on the following basis:

Freehold property - 2% straight line
Office equipment - 33% straight line
Motor vehicles - 25% straight line

Assets in the course of construction are included at cost. Depreciation on these assets is not charged until they are brought into use and reclassified to freehold or leasehold land and buildings.

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.

2.7 DEBTORS

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.8 CASH AT BANK AND IN HAND

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

2.9 LIABILITIES

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably. Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the academy anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

2.10 FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS

The academy only holds basic financial instruments as defined in FRS 102. The financial assets and financial liabilities of the academy and their measurement bases are as follows:

Financial assets - trade and other debtors are basic financial instruments and are debt instruments measured at amortised cost as detailed in note 15. Prepayments are not financial instruments. Cash at bank is classified as a basic financial instrument and is measured at face value.

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

Financial liabilities - trade creditors, accruals, other creditors and loans are financial instruments, and are measured at amortised cost as detailed in notes 16 and 17. Taxation and social security are not included in the financial instruments disclosure definition. Deferred income is not deemed to be a financial liability, as the cash settlement has already taken place and there is an obligation to deliver services rather than cash or another financial instrument.

2.11 OPERATING LEASES

As Lessee:

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

As Lessor:

Lease premiums received are amortised over the lease term and charged on a straight line basis, with reference to the repayment terms in the event of early termination.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

2.12 PENSIONS

Retirement benefits to employees of the academy are provided by the Teachers' Pension Scheme ("TPS") and the Local Government Pension Scheme ("LGPS"). These are defined benefit schemes.

The TPS is an unfunded scheme and contributions are calculated so as to spread the cost of pensions over employees' working lives with the academy in such a way that the pension cost is a substantially level percentage of current and future pensionable payroll. The contributions are determined by the Government Actuary on the basis of quadrennial valuations using a prospective unit credit method. TPS is an unfunded multi-employer scheme with no underlying assets to assign between employers. Consequently, the TPS is treated as a defined contribution scheme for accounting purposes and the contributions recognised in the period to which they relate.

The LGPS is a funded multi-employer scheme and the assets are held separately from those of the academy in separate trustee administered funds. Pension scheme assets are measured at fair value and liabilities are measured on an actuarial basis using the projected unit credit method and discounted at a rate equivalent to the current rate of return on a high quality corporate bond of equivalent term and currency to the liabilities. The actuarial valuations are obtained at least triennially and are updated at each balance sheet date. The amounts charged to operating surplus are the current service costs and the costs of scheme introductions, benefit changes, settlements and curtailments. They are included as part of staff costs as incurred. Net interest on the net defined benefit liability/asset is also recognised in the statement of financial activities and comprises the interest cost on the defined benefit obligation and interest income on the scheme assets, calculated by multiplying the fair value of the scheme assets at the beginning of the period by the rate used to discount the benefit obligations. The difference between the interest income on the scheme assets and the actual return on the scheme assets is recognised in other recognised gains and losses.

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

2.13 FUND ACCOUNTING

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

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

Restricted general funds comprise all other restricted funds received with restrictions imposed by the funder/donor and include grants from the Department for Education Group.

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

3. CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND AREAS OF JUDGEMENTS

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

Critical accounting estimates and assumptions:

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

The present value of the Local Government Pension Scheme defined benefit liability depends on a number of factors that are determined on an actuarial basis using a variety of assumptions. The assumptions used in determining the net cost or income for pensions include the discount rate. Any changes in these assumptions, which are disclosed in note 26, will impact the carrying amount of the pension liability. Furthermore a roll forward approach which projects results from the latest full actuarial valuation performed at 31 March 2016 has been used by the actuary in valuing the pensions liability at 31 August 2020. Any differences between the figures derived from the roll forward approach and a full actuarial valuation would impact on the carrying amount of the pension liability.

4. INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND CAPITAL GRANTS

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Restricted fixed asset funds 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £	Total funds 2019 £
Donations Capital Grants	11,452 -	- 1,330,975	11,452 1,330,975	10,005 98,404
	11,452	1,330,975	1,342,427	108,409
TOTAL 2019	10,005	98,404	108,409	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

5. FUNDING FOR THE ACADEMY'S EDUCATION

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Restricted funds 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £	Total funds 2019 £
DFE/ESFA GRANTS				
General Annual Grant (GAG)	-	4,825,883	4,825,883	4,790,444
Other DfE/ESFA grants	-	493,935	493,935	204,706
OTHER GOVERNMENT GRANTS	-	5,319,818	5,319,818	4,995,150
High Needs	-	63,718	63,718	55,492
Other non capital government grants	-	28,446	28,446	88,267
OTHER FUNDING	-	92,164	92,164	143,759
Other	34,802	-	34,802	22,615
Exceptional government funding	34,802	-	34,802	22,615
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme Grant	40,536	8,436	48,972	-
Coronavirus exceptional support	-	23,751	23,751	-
	40,536	32,187	72,723	
	75,338	5,444,169	5,519,507	5,161,524
TOTAL 2019	22,615	5,138,909	5,161,524	

The academy trust has been eligible to claim additional funding in year from government support schemes in response to the coronavirus outbreak. The funding received is shown above under "exceptional government funding".

The funding received for coronavirus exceptional support covers £24k of costs incurred for additional cleaning, premises, legal advice and free school meals. These costs are included in note 9 below as appropriate.

The academy furloughed some of its catering, youth workers, duty officers, peri music and sports & leisure facilities staff under the government's CJRS. The funding received of £49k relates to staff costs in respect of 12 staff which are included within note 11 below as appropriate.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

6.	INCOME FROM OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES						
		Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Restricted funds 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £	Total funds 2019 £		
	Lettings	60,749	-	60,749	92,505		
	Catering	34,321	-	34,321	94,094		
	Nursery	39,760	-	39,760	40,338		
	Library income	7,728	-	7,728	15,844		
	Gym memberships	101,001	-	101,001	174,035		
	Other	55,863	-	55,863	52,471		
	School fund income	-	156,909	156,909	169,313		
		299,422	156,909	456,331	638,600		
	TOTAL 2019	469,287	169,313	638,600			
7.	INVESTMENT INCOME						
			Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £	Total funds 2019 £		
	Bank interest		206	206	172		
			172	 172			

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

EXPENDITURE

8.

	Staff Costs 2020 £	Premises 2020 £	Other 2020 £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
Expenditure on fundraising trading activities:					
Direct costs Education:	194,210	-	73,105	267,315	301,876
Direct costs	3,788,456	284,249	418,135	4,490,840	4,382,347
Support costs	1,031,243	233,919	330,619	1,595,781	1,603,088
Teaching school	152,458	-	4,137	156,595	160,766
	5,166,367	518,168	825,996	6,510,531	6,448,077
TOTAL 2019	4,892,024	_	1,556,053	6,448,077	

9. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE BY ACTIVITIES

	Activities undertaken directly 2020 £	Support costs 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £	Total funds 2019 £
Education	4,490,840	1,595,781	6,086,621	5,985,435
TOTAL 2019	4,382,347	1,603,088	5,985,435	

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Technology costs

Governance costs

9.	ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE BY ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED)		
	Analysis of direct costs		
		Total funds 2020 £	Total funds 2019 £
	Pension finance costs	48,000	49,000
	Staff costs	3,754,539	3,536,648
	Depreciation	284,249	310,290
	Educational supplies	69,646	122,589
	Exam fees	109,221	101,920
	School trips	191,268	171,723
	Supply teachers	33,917	90,177
		4,490,840	4,382,347
	Analysis of support costs		
		Total funds 2020 £	Total funds 2019 £
	Pension finance costs	12,000	9,000
	Staff costs	1,031,243	1,046,404
	Other support costs	145,965	143,898
	Premises costs	242,966	241,468

104,913

1,595,781

58,694

91,981

70,337

1,603,088

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

10.	NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		
	Net income/(expenditure) for the year includes:		
		2020 £	2019 £
	Operating lease rentals Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	38,245 284,249	17,726 310,290
	Fees paid to auditors for: - audit	11,465	11,125
	- other services	2,065	2,635
1.	STAFF		
	a. STAFF COSTS		
	Staff costs during the year were as follows:		
		2020 £	2019 £
	Wages and salaries	3,803,617	3,818,296
	Social security costs	350,839	325,762
	Pension costs	977,994	806,036
		5,132,450	4,950,094
	Agency staff costs	33,917	90,177
		5,166,367	5,040,271
	b. STAFF NUMBERS		
	The average number of persons employed by the academy during the year w	as as follows:	
		2020	2019
		No.	No.
	Teachers	67	65
	Administration and support	82	87
	Management	7	8
		156	160

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

11. STAFF (CONTINUED)

b. STAFF NUMBERS (CONTINUED)

The average headcount expressed as full-time equivalents was:

	2020 No.	2019 No.
Teachers	58	59
Administration and support	47	53
Management	7	8
	112	120

c. HIGHER PAID STAFF

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

	2020 No.	2019 No.
In the band £60,001 - £70,000	2	1
In the band £80,001 - £90,000	-	1
In the band £90,001 - £100,000	1	-

d. KEY MANAGEMENT PERSONNEL

The key management personnel of the academy comprise the Trustees and the senior management team as listed on page 1. The total amount of employee benefits (including employer pension contributions and employer national insurance contributions) received by key management personnel for their services to the academy was £586,695 (2019 £529,585).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

12. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

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

		2020	2019
		£	£
Ms N Rancins, Headteacher	Remuneration	95,000 -	85,000 -
		100,000	90,000
	Pension contributions paid	10,000 -	10,000 -
	·	15,000	15,000
Ms J Francis, Staff Trustee	Remuneration	25,000 -	25,000 -
•		30,000	30,000
	Pension contributions paid	0 - 5,000	0 - 5,000
Mr B Taylor, Staff Trustee	Remuneration	35,000 -	35,000 -
• *		40,000	40,000
	Pension contributions paid	5,000 -	5,000 -
	·	10,000	10,000

During the year ended 31 August 2020, expenses totalling £75 were reimbursed or paid directly to 1 Trustee (2019 - £NIL to Trustee). The nature of the expenses include mileage for meetings.

13. TRUSTEES' AND OFFICERS' INSURANCE

In accordance with normal commercial practice, the academy has purchased insurance to protect Trustees and officers from claims arising from negligent acts, errors or omissions occurring whilst on academy business. The insurance provides cover up to £1,000,000 on any one claim and the cost for the year ended 31 August 2020 was £1,697 (2019 - £1,697). The cost of this insurance is included in the total insurance cost.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

14.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS					
		Freehold property £	Assets under construction £	Office Equipment £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
	COST OR VALUATION					
	At 1 September 2019 Additions	15,003,813 -	68,438	1,030,024 43,699	15,750 -	16,049,587 112,137
	At 31 August 2020	15,003,813	68,438	1,073,723	15,750	16,161,724
	DEPRECIATION			070 044	4E 7E0	2,422,181
	At 1 September 2019 Charge for the year	1,527,617 234,311	-	878,814 49,938	15,750 -	284,249
	At 31 August 2020	1,761,928		928,752	15,750	2,706,430
	NET BOOK VALUE					
	At 31 August 2020	13,241,885	68,438	144,971	M	13,455,294
	At 31 August 2019	13,476,196	_	151,210	-	13,627,406
	Included in the net book value	of property dis	splayed above ar	re the following a	amounts ascrib	able to land:
					2020 £	2019 £
	Freehold land				3,751,000	3,751,000
15.	DEBTORS					
					2020 £	2019 £
	Trade debtors				18,711	11,830
	Other debtors				12	11,213
	Prepayments and accrued inc	ome			1,331,673	121,681
	Tax recoverable				30,224	61,040
					1,380,620	205,764

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

16. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2020 £	2019 £
ESFA loans	43,563	42,155
Trade creditors	142,492	63,300
Other taxation and social security	85,501	86,239
Other creditors	95,749	92,889
Accruals and deferred income	151,027	102,339
	518,332	386,922
	2020 £	2019 £
Deferred income at 1 September 2019	228,830	228,818
Resources deferred during the year	205,495	228,830
Amounts released from previous periods	(228,830)	(228,818)
	205,495	228,830

Included in deferred income are funds received in advance for lettings, local authority grants and library takings.

17. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	2020 £	2019 £
ESFA loans	193,511	237,074
Accruals and deferred income	132,167	162,667
	325,678	399,741

Included within creditors due within one year is an ESFA loan balance of £43,563 (note 16). The full value of the loan outstanding is £237,074, £193,511 of which is shown as due over one year (note 17). The loan is repayable in monthly instalments over the remaining 6 year of the loan with an applicable annual interest rate of 2.55%.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

	Included within the above are amounts falling due as follows:		
		2020 £	2019 £
	BETWEEN ONE AND TWO YEARS ESFA loans	45,018	43,563
	BETWEEN TWO AND FIVE YEARS ESFA loans	94,597	139,615
	OVER FIVE YEARS ESFA loans	53,896	53,896 ———
18.	FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS		
		2020 £	2019 £
	FINANCIAL ASSETS Financial assets that are debt instruments measured at amortised cost	570,286	277,139

Financial assets that are debt instruments measured at amortised cost comprise cash at bank.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

19.	STATEMENT OF FUNDS						
		Balance at 1 September 2019 £	Income	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses)	Balance at 31 August 2020
	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	~	•	~	~	~	~
	General Funds	20,000	518,473	(279,858)	(238,615)	•	20,000
	RESTRICTED GENERAL FUNDS						
	General Annual Grant (GAG)	(323,760)	4,825,883	(4,915,896)	225,334	-	(188,439)
	Higher Needs	-	63,718	(63,718)	-	•	-
	Other government grants	-	51,779	(51,779)	-	•	-
	Other restricted funds	-	503,548	(503,548)	-	-	-
	Pupil Premium (PP)		179,483	(179,483)	-	-	-
	Pension reserve	(3,220,000)	-	(232,000)	-	264,000	(3,188,000)
		(3,543,760)	5,624,411	(5,946,424)	225,334	264,000	(3,376,439)
	RESTRICTED FIXED ASSET FUNDS						
	Fixed assets transferred on conversion	10,882,709	-	(168,200)	~	-	10,714,509
	Fixed assets purchased from GAG and other restricted funds	1,531,250	•	(36,884)	13,281	-	1,507,647
	DfE/ESFA Capital grants	1,177,380	1,327,643	(57,562)	-	-	2,447,461
	Other capital grants	36,067	3,332	(21,603)	-	-	17,796
		13,627,406	1,330,975	(284,249)	13,281	-	14,687,413

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

19.	STATEMENT OF FUNDS (CONTINUED)	Balance at 1 September 2019 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 August 2020 £
	TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS	10,083,646	6,955,386	(6,230,673)	238,615	264,000	11,310,974
	TOTAL FUNDS	10,103,646	7,473,859	(6,510,531)		264,000	11,330,974

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

19. STATEMENT OF FUNDS (CONTINUED)

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

RESTRICTED FUNDS:

General Annual Grant (GAG) - income from the ESFA which is to be used for the normal running costs of the Academy, including education and support costs. The Academy has a deficit on GAG reserves. It has a plan in place to remedy this in the medium to long term.

Other Government Grants - income from the DfE/ESFA which has been received for specific purposes.

Higher Needs - funding provided by Local Authorities for the academy trust to fund further support for students with additional needs.

Other restricted funds - income which has been received for specific purposes.

Pupil Premium (PP) - represents funding received from the ESFA for children that qualify for free school meals to enable the academy to address the current underlying inequalities between those children and their wealthier peers.

Pension reserve - this represents the Academy's share of the assets and liabilities in the Local Government Pension Scheme. As with most pension schemes this is currently in deficit due to an excess of scheme liabilities over scheme assets which was inherited on conversion to an Academy.

RESTRICTED FIXED ASSET FUNDS:

Fixed Assets Transferred on Conversion - this represents the buildings and equipment donated to the Academy from the Local Authority on conversion to an Academy.

Fixed assets purchased from GAG and other restricted funds - this represents assets purchased from unspent General Annual Grant and other non-capital restricted income.

DfE/EFSA capital grants - restricted capital funding received from the DfE/ESFA to be spent on specific capital projects.

Other capital grants - restricted capital funding received to be spent on specific capital projects.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

19. STATEMENT OF FUNDS (CONTINUED)	
------------------------------------	--

Composative information	in respect of the	r preceding vear i	s as follows:

Comparative information in respect or the preceding year is as follows. UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	Balance at 1 September 2018 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 August 2019 £
General Funds	10,000	624,799	(624,799)	10,000	-	20,000
RESTRICTED GENERAL FUNDS General Annual Grant (GAG) Higher Needs Other government grants Other restricted funds Pupil Premium (PP) Pension reserve	(379,041) - - - - - (2,008,000)	4,790,444 55,492 128,267 169,313 204,706	(4,703,210) (55,492) (128,267) (169,313) (204,706) (252,000)	(31,953) - - - - - -	- - - - - (960,000)	(323,760) - - - - (3,220,000)
	(2,387,041)	5,348,222	(5,512,988)	(31,953)	(960,000)	(3,543,760)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

19. 5	STATEMENT	OF FUNDS	(CONTINUED)
-------	-----------	----------	-------------

STATEMENT OF FUNDS (CONTINUED)						
	Balance at 1 September 2018 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 August 2019 £
RESTRICTED FIXED ASSET FUNDS						
Fixed assets transferred on conversion	11,050,909	-	(168,200)	_	•	10,882,709
Fixed assets purchased from GAG and other restricted funds	1,543,053	-	(33,756)	21,953	-	1,531,250
DfE/ESFA Capital grants	1,145,241	74,800	(42,661)	-	-	1,177,380
Other capital grants	78,136	23,604	(65,673)	-	-	36,067
	13,817,339	98,404	(310,290)	21,953	-	13,627,406
TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS	11,430,298	5,446,626	(5,823,278)	(10,000)	(960,000)	10,083,646
TOTAL FUNDS	11,440,298	6,071,425	(6,448,077)	-	(960,000)	10,103,646

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

20. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS - CURRENT PERIOD

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Restricted funds 2020 £	Restricted fixed asset funds 2020 £	Total funds 2020 £
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	13,455,294	13,455,294
Current assets	20,000	655,571	1,232,119	1,907,690
Creditors due within one year	-	(518,332)	-	(518,332)
Creditors due in more than one year	-	(325,678)	-	(325,678)
Defined benefit pension scheme liability	-	(3,188,000)	-	(3,188,000)
TOTAL	20,000	(3,376,439)	14,687,413	11,330,974

ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS - PRIOR PERIOD

	Unrestricted funds 2019 £	Restricted funds 2019 £	Restricted fixed asset funds 2019	Total funds 2019 £
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	13,627,406	13,627,406
Current assets	29,008	453,895	-	482,903
Creditors due within one year	(9,008)	(377,914)	-	(386,922)
Creditors due in more than one year		(399,741)	-	(399,741)
Defined benefit pension scheme liability	-	(3,220,000)	•	(3,220,000)
TOTAL	20,000	(3,543,760)	13,627,406	10,103,646

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING 21. **ACTIVITIES** 2019 2020 £ Net income/(expenditure) for the period (as per statement of financial activities) 963,328 (376,652)ADJUSTMENTS FOR: Depreciation 284,249 310,290 Capital grants from DfE and other capital income (1,330,975)(98,404)Interest receivable (206)(172)Defined benefit pension scheme cost less contributions payable 172,000 194,000 Defined benefit pension scheme finance cost 60,000 58,000 57,852 (Increase)/decrease in debtors (1,174,856)Increase/(decrease) in creditors 99,502 (6,332)NET CASH (USED IN)/PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES (926, 958)138,582 22. CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES 2020 2019 Repayments of loan finance (42, 155)(39,731)**NET CASH USED IN FINANCING ACTIVITIES** (42, 155)(39,731)

23. CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES

	2020 £	2019 £
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(112,137)	(120,357)
Capital grants from DfE Group	1,330,975	98,404
Interest receivable	206	172
NET CASH PROVIDED BY/(USED IN) INVESTING ACTIVITIES	1,219,044	(21,781)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

24.	ANALYSIS OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALE	ENTS			
				2020 £	2019 £
	Cash in hand			527,070	277,139
	TOTAL CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS			527,070	277,139
25.	ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET DEBT				
		At 1 September 2019 £	Cash flows	Other movements £	At 31 August 2020 £
	Cash at bank and in hand Debt due within 1 year	277,139 (42,155) (237,074)	249,931 42,155	- (43,563) 43,563	527,070 (43,563) (193,511)
	Debt due after 1 year	(201,011)		• •	

26. PENSION COMMITMENTS

The academy's employees belong to two principal pension schemes: the Teachers' Pension Scheme England and Wales (TPS) for academic and related staff; and the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) for non-teaching staff, which is managed by Worcestershire County Council. Both are multi-employer defined benefit schemes.

(2,090)

292,086

289,996

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

Contributions amounting to £87,027 were payable to the schemes at 31 August 2020 (2019 - £69,080) and are included within creditors.

TEACHERS' PENSION SCHEME

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

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

26. PENSION COMMITMENTS (CONTINUED)

VALUATION OF THE TEACHERS' PENSION SCHEME

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

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

The next valuation result is due to be implemented from 1 April 2023.

The employer's pension costs paid to TPS in the year amounted to £605,651 (2019 - £428,883).

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

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

LOCAL GOVERNMENT PENSION SCHEME

The LGPS is a funded defined benefit pension scheme, with the assets held in separate trustee-administered funds. The total contribution made for the year ended 31 August 2020 was £267,000 (2019 - £248,000), of which employer's contributions totalled £208,000 (2019 - £191,000) and employees' contributions totalled £ 59,000 (2019 - £57,000). The agreed contribution rates for future years are 16.4 per cent for employers and 5.5-12.5 per cent for employees.

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

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

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

PENS	SION COMMITMENTS (CONTINUED)		
Princ	cipal actuarial assumptions		
		2020 %	2019 %
Rate	of increase in salaries	3.8	3.5
	of inrease for pensions in payment/inflation	2.4	2.1
	bunt rate for scheme liabilities	1.8	1.8
	ion assumptions (CPI)	<u> </u>	2.0
The o	current mortality assumptions include sufficient allowance for futu assumed life expectations on retirement age 65 are:	re improvements in m	ortality rates
		2020 Years	2019 Years
Retiri	ing today		20.4
Male	s	22.6	22.8
Fema	ales	25.0	25.8
	ing in 20 years	24.9	25 :
		24.2	25.
Retiri	s	24.2 27.0	25. 28.3
Retiri Male Fema	s		
Retiri Male Fema	s ales		
Retiri Male: Fema	ales academy's share of the assets in the scheme was:	27.0	28.3
Retiri Male: Fema The a	ales academy's share of the assets in the scheme was:	27.0 2020 £	2019 £ 1,198,000 211,000
Retiri Male: Fema The a Equit Corp	ales academy's share of the assets in the scheme was: ties orate bonds	27.0 2020 £ 1,241,000 226,000 102,000	2019 £ 1,198,000 211,000 101,000
Retiri Male: Fema The a Equit Corp	ales academy's share of the assets in the scheme was: ties orate bonds erty	27.0 2020 £ 1,241,000 226,000	2019 £ 1,198,000 211,000 49,000
Retiri Male: Fema The a Equit Corp	ales academy's share of the assets in the scheme was: ties orate bonds erty n and other liquid assets	27.0 2020 £ 1,241,000 226,000 102,000	2019 £ 1,198,000 211,000 101,000

The actual return on scheme assets was £28,000 (2019 - £65,000).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Admin expenses

AT 31 AUGUST

26.	PENSION COMMITMENTS (CONTINUED)		
	The amounts recognised in the Statement of financial activities are as follow	vs:	
		2020 £	2019 £
	Current service cost	380,000	(284,000)
	Past service cost		(101,000)
	Interest income	32,000	42,000
	Interest cost	(60,000)	(96,000)
	Employer contributions	208,000	191,000
	TOTAL AMOUNT RECOGNISED IN THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES	560,000	(248,000)
	Changes in the present value of the defined benefit obligations were as follo	ws:	
		2020 £	2019 £
	AT 1 SEPTEMBER	4,909,000	3,396,000
	Interest cost	88,000	96,000
	Employee contributions	59,000	57,000
	Actuarial (gains)/losses	(235,000)	984,000
	Benefits paid	(129,000)	(9,000)
	Current service cost	380,000	284,000
	Past service costs	-	101,000
	AT 31 AUGUST	5,072,000	4,909,000
	Changes in the fair value of the academy's share of scheme assets were as	follows:	
		2020 £	2019 £
	AT 1 SEPTEMBER	1,689,000	1,388,000
	Interest income	32,000	42,000
	Actuarial gains/(losses)	29,000	24,000
	Employer contributions	208,000	191,000
	Employee contributions	59,000	57,000
	Benefits paid	(129,000)	(9,000)

(4,000)

1,884,000

(4,000)

1,689,000

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

27. OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

At 31 August 2020 the academy had commitments to make future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	2020 £	2019 £
Not later than 1 year	38,245	15,269
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	49,150	18,467
	87,395	33,736

28. OPERATING LEASE AS A LESSOR

The operating leases relates to the hire of library space by Worcester County Council. A 10 year advanced rental of £305,000 was paid by WCC to the academy in relation to the library, consequently, this advanced rental is being released over the lease period. Rent of £30,500 (2019: £30,500) has been recognised as income for the period.

At 31 August 2020 the total of the academy trust's future minimum lease payments receivable under non-cancellable operating leases was:

	2020 £	2019 £
Within 1 year	30,500	30,500
1-2 years	30,500	30,500
2-5 years	91,500	91,500
More than 5 years	9,167	40,667
	161,667	193,167

29. 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.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

30. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Owing to the nature of the Academy Trust 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 the Trustee have an interest. All transactions involving such organisations are conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Academies Financial Handbook, including notifying the ESFA of all transactions made on or after 1 April 2019 and obtaining their approval where required, and with the Academy Trust's financial regulations and normal procurement procedures relating to connected and related party transactions.

No related party transactions took place in the period of account, other than certain trustees' remuneration and expenses already disclosed in note 12.

31. AGENCY ARRANGEMENTS

The academy trust distributes 16-19 bursary funds to students as an agent for ESFA. In the accounting period ending 31 August 2020 the trust received £6,660 (2019: £6,927) and disbursed £7,265 (2019: £5,084) from the fund (including a nominal amount for administration costs). An amount of £6,328 (2019: £6,476) is included in other creditors relating to undistributed funds that is repayable to the ESFA.

32. TEACHING SCHOOL TRADING ACCOUNT

	2020 £	2020 £	2019 £	2019 £
Income DIRECT INCOME	~	~	<i>L</i>	L
Self Generated Funds OTHER INCOME	132,055		122,720	
Government Grants TOTAL INCOME	23,333	155,388	40,000	162,720
Expenditure DIRECT EXPENDITURE				
Direct staff costs	151,933		132,534	
Supplies and services	4,137		6,237	
TOTAL DIRECT EXPENDITURE OTHER EXPENDITURE	156,070	-	138,771	
Other staff costs	525		21,995	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		156,595	,	160,766
(Deficit)/surplus from all sources		(1,207)	-	1,954
Teaching school balances at 1 September	er 2019	11,883		9,929
TEACHING SCHOOL BALANCES AT 31 AUGUST 2020		10,676	-	11,883