

# Allestree Woodlands School

(A company limited by guarantee)

Annual Report and Consolidated Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 August 2022

# Allestree Woodlands School

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## Reference and Administrative Details

<b>Members</b>	R Travis M Cheeseman W Bates S Dixon (appointed 21 May 2022) T Attenborough (appointed 30 May 2022)
<b>Trustees (Directors)</b>	K Cheatham S Dixon (resigned 31 August 2022) E Elson S Garbett H Jefferson C Jones G Penny (accounting officer) L Phelps R Travis E Varley J Abraham K Bainham S Emms H Herbert A Schofield C Trigg (resigned 28 September 2021) K Cook (appointed 1 September 2021) A Cooper (appointed 1 September 2022) S Parekh (appointed 1 September 2022)
<b>Senior Management Team</b>	G Penny, Headteacher S Roe, Deputy Headteacher R Middleton-Lee, Deputy Headteacher R Brailsford, Assistant Headteacher T Barker, Assistant Headteacher G Duffy, Assistant Headteacher C Mills, Assistant Headteacher A Greaves, Business Manager (Chief Financial Officer) L Berridge, Assistant Headteacher
<b>Principal and Registered Office</b>	Blenheim Drive Allestree Derby Derbyshire DE22 2LW
<b>Company Registration Number</b>	07951293

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## Reference and Administrative Details (continued)

<b>Auditors</b>	Forrester Boyd Chartered Accountants 66-68 Oswald Road Scunthorpe North Lincolnshire DN15 7PG
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# Allestree Woodlands School

## Trustees' Report for the Year Ended 31 August 2022

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements and auditors' report of the charitable company for the year ended 31 August 2022. The annual report serves the purposes of both a trustees' report, and a directors' report and strategic report under company law.

The academy trust operates an academy for students aged 11 to 16 serving the northernmost ward of Derby City. The academy also has a sixth form provision for 16-18 year olds. It has a student capacity (11-16 year olds) of 1170 and had a roll of 1152 in the school census on 7th October 2021. There were 193 sixth form students on this date.

### **Structure, governance and management**

#### ***Constitution***

The Academy Trust is a company limited by guarantee and is an exempt charity. The charitable company's memorandum and articles of association are the primary governing documents of the Academy Trust. The company registration number is 07951293.

The governors act as the trustees for the charitable activities of Allestree Woodlands School and are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law.

The Academy Trust constitutes Members who delegate their responsibilities to the Governing Body, in accordance with Article 94 of the Articles of Association of the company. This states that the business of the Academy Trust shall be managed by the Governors who may exercise all the powers of the Academy Trust. Therefore, the Members and Governors jointly present their report together with the financial statements of the charitable company for the year ended 31 August 2022.

The Charitable Company is known as Allestree Woodlands School.

The Members role is more of a compliance role with less involvement in the management of the company, as day-to-day management decisions are made collectively through the Governing Body. The Members held an Annual General Meeting on 28 June 2022 which included a review of governance.

Details of the trustees who served during the year, and to the date these accounts are approved are included in the Reference and Administrative Details on page 1.

#### ***Members' liability***

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

#### ***Trustees' indemnities***

The Academy Trust through its Articles has indemnified its Trustees to the fullest extent permissible by law. During the period the Academy also purchased and maintained liability insurance for its Trustees.

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### Trustees' Report for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

#### *Method of recruitment and appointment or election of Trustees*

As stated above the Governors are appointed by the Members and Governing Body and are responsible for the day-to-day management of the Academy, exercising all the powers of the Members as stated in Article 94. Any changes to Governors are listed on page 1.

Full details relating to the appointment and removal of Governors are contained in the Articles of Association with a brief summary given below.

The Members may appoint up to 15 Governors with their term of office being 4 years (except for the Headteacher). Subject to remaining eligibility any Governor may be re-appointed or re-elected. Staff Governors (including the Headteacher) may be appointed by such processes as the Members may determine providing that the number of Staff Governors does not exceed one third of the total number of Governors (including the Headteacher). Current practice is to have 2 teaching staff and 1 non teaching staff governors. The Headteacher is treated as an ex officio Governor.

A minimum of 2 Parent Governors shall, if necessary, be elected by parents of registered pupils at the Academy and the Parent Governors must be a parent of a student at the Academy when they were elected. Current practice is to have 6 parent governors. The Governors may appoint up to 3 Co-opted Governors including employees of the Academy providing that the number of Staff Governors does not exceed one third of the total number of Governors (including the Headteacher).

The LA may appoint a governor but has chosen not to do so.

The Secretary of State may also appoint additional Governors if he feels it appropriate and ultimately has the power to in effect take over the Governance of the Academy. The Secretary of State has not appointed any additional Governors. During the year under review the Governors held 5 formal meetings in September 2021, December 2021, March 2022, May 2022 and July 2022.

#### *Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of Trustees*

The training and induction for Governors is personalised and dependent on their existing experience. The Academy has a service level agreement with the local authority for training for Governors, and the Board has additionally contracted in to training materials from the National Governance Association. The Governing Body has the responsibility for coordinating all the training for Governors. The Governors responsible for the performance management of the Headteacher attend specific training on this before they take up this duty. All Governors receive, as a minimum, annual training on Child Protection and Safeguarding.

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 whilst on Academy business.

#### *Organisational structure*

The Governing Body has established committees to carry out its work effectively. These are the Resources Committee and Curriculum Committee. In addition, ad-hoc Committees and Panels meet as required to deliver specific tasks as set out in the Academy's Scheme of Delegation. The main Committees met at least three times each during this year.

The Academy Trust consists of at least three Members and a Governing body who lead on the strategic direction of the school. There is a senior leadership team who manages the day-to-day running of the school and reports to the Headteacher.

The Governors are responsible for setting the general policy, adopting the annual school improvement plan and budget, monitoring the Academy by use of the budgets and making decisions about the strategic direction of the Academy and senior appointments. A Vision Statement was agreed by the governors in Summer 2020 and checked again this year.

The senior leadership group consists of the Headteacher, two Deputy Headteachers, five Assistant Headteachers and the School Business Manager. This group leads the Academy at an executive level implementing policies laid down by the Governors and reporting back to them. As a group they are responsible for the monitoring of the spending within agreed budgets and implementing the School Improvement Plan, ensuring that all students enjoy and achieve their personal best.

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## Trustees' Report for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

### *Arrangements for setting pay and remuneration of key management personnel*

The performance of senior leaders is overseen by the Headteacher, who makes performance and pay recommendations to the Pay Committee. The Committee reviews and determines outcome.

The Headteacher Performance Panel (which consists of three governors, including chair and vice chair) reviews the headteacher's performance, utilising the services of an education expert to come to a judgement. The panel then determines any adjustment to the headteacher's pay.

The Chair of Governors instructs the Payroll office with any agreed pay adjustments for senior leaders and the Headteacher

### *Trade union facility time*

#### Relevant union officials

Number of employees who were relevant union officials during the relevant period	Full-time equivalent employee number
2	174

#### Percentage of time spent on facility time

Percentage of time

1%-50%

Number of employees

2

#### Percentage of pay bill spent on facility time

Provide the total cost of facility time

Provide the total pay bill

2022

5,530

6,874,080

Trustees should refer to Statutory Instrument 2017 No. 328, The Trade Union Facility Time Publication Requirements Regulations 2017 for calculation details.

### *Connected organisations, including related party relationships*

The Academy Trust is the parent company of a subsidiary, Allestree Woodlands Leisure Limited.

### **Objectives, Strategic and activities**

#### *Objects and aims*

The main objectives of the Academy Trust are:

- to advance education in the United Kingdom, in particular but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing by establishing, maintaining, carrying on, managing and developing a school offering a broad and balanced curriculum; and
- to promote for the benefit of the inhabitants of Derby and the surrounding area the provision of facilities for recreation or other leisure time occupation of individuals who have need of such facilities by reason of their youth, age, affinity or disablement, financial hardship or social and economic circumstances or for the public at large in the interests of social welfare and with the object of improving the condition of life of the said inhabitants.

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### Trustees' Report for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

#### **Public benefit**

The academy trust provides educational services to all children in the local area. The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance provided by the Charity Commission.

In setting objectives and planning our activities the Trustees have carefully considered the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

#### **Strategic Report**

##### **Achievements and performance**

At A level, 99% passed with A\*-E grades. The average grade rose to B-. This is up from C- in 2019. The Average Points Score (APS) was 37.94; this puts us around national average. In 2019 this was 28.09. The gap between boys and girls closed significantly with both securing average grade of B-; boys are still slightly ahead of girls (as per national trends) with progress of 0.28 against girls at 0.16 (-0.1 and -0.5 respectively in 2019)

High attainers' average grade was A- (B- in 2019)

Mid attainers' average grade was C= (C- in 2019)

Significant increases at C+ with 35% securing A/A\* compared to just 11.4% in 2019; A\*-C was 82.7% against 58.2% in 2019.

In total, 33 A\* grades and 110 A/A\* grades.

At GCSE Percentage of grades 9-4 is up to 73% from 69% in 2019

Percentage of grades 9-5 is up to 54% from 52% in 2019

The percentage of students achieving both English and maths at grade 4 or better (the basics) was 71%

The percentages achieving a good pass (5+) in English and maths rose to 47%

The school was inspected by Ofsted on 22 and 23 March 2022. The judgements received were:

Overall effectiveness Requires improvement  
The quality of education Requires improvement  
Behaviour and attitudes Requires improvement  
Personal development Good  
Leadership and management Good  
Sixth-form provision Good  
Previous inspection grade Requires improvement

Whereas this is a significant improvement on the inspection judgement in 2018 when all areas were rated as "Requires Improvement", and this reflects the hard work and dedication of the Headteacher and school staff, the trustees recognise that there is significant work still required to improve an overall judgement to "Good" or better. The school is on an improvement trajectory, and the board has confidence that this will be achieved in due course.

#### **Going concern**

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



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### Trustees' Report for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

#### **Financial review**

The financial results for the accounting period ending 31 August 2022 year were largely as expected.

The Academy's main source of income the General Annual Grant (GAG) consists mainly of the funding for pupils aged between 11 and 16. This income is based on New Formula Funding principles administered by the ESFA; and High Needs Funding. Additional income is provided for specific areas of school needs including Pupil Premium funding, capital works funding and Local Authority High Needs Top Up Allocation.

The in-year surplus on restricted and unrestricted funds was £418,122.

In addition to the educational operations of the Academy Trust, three other related operations have been performed, these are:

- Outreach work at other schools
- The Catering Service, which provides meals to students and staff as well as conference/venue hire for the public
- The Sports Centre and facilities, which, when not used by the Academy, are made available to local schools, organisations and the community as a whole.

#### **Reserves policy**

The Governors review the reserve levels of the Academy annually. This review encompasses the nature of income and expenditure streams, the need to match income with commitments and the nature of reserves. The Governors have determined that the appropriate level of free reserves should be equivalent to four to six week's expenditure. This is currently being achieved.

The reason for this is to provide sufficient working capital to cover delays between spending and receipt of grants and to provide a cushion to deal with unexpected emergencies such as urgent maintenance. The academy's current level of free reserves (total funds less the amount held in fixed assets and restricted pension fund) is £874,652 (2021: £456,530) which is in line with the school's policy.

The Academy held fund balances at 31 August 2022 of £4,778,393 (2021: £1,489,605) comprising £5,819,741 (2021: £5,994,074) of restricted fixed asset funds, £730,260 (2021: £367,511) of unrestricted general funds, a restricted general funds of £144,392 (2021: £89,019), and a pension reserve deficit of £1,916,000 (2021: £4,961,000).

Steps are being taken to eliminate the pension scheme deficit as contributions have increased since converting to an academy. It is possible that the deficit can have an effect on the cashflow of the academy, as it may mean the contributions will have to change again in the future.

#### **Investment policy**

The Governing Body recognises there is the need to formalise an investment policy as reserves permit following a major 3 year capital outlay programme on premises and equipment post site redevelopment, however the academy has no investments other than cash balances.

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### Trustees' Report for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

#### *Principal risks and uncertainties*

Chief risks identified include:

- Demographic changes resulting in changes in pupil numbers within catchment area – there is a large building project within a mile of the school, for example.
- Deficit in the local authority pension scheme and uncertainty over future pooling arrangements
- Potential worsening of financial settlement due to the impact of the funding reforms before the full introduction of the National Funding Formula and additional benefits.
- The announcement from DfE, following budgets being set that an average 5% pay rise had been agreed for teaching staff.
- Costs related to the increased provision required from increasing Pupil Admission Number from September 2019 – these additional numbers have now worked up into years 7, 8, 9 and 10.
- Sixth form numbers and associated income and costs are hard to predict.

The governors annually assess the major risks to which the Academy is exposed, in particular those relating to leadership and teaching, provision of facilities and other operational areas of the Academy and its finances. Governors annually review the systems in place to assess risks that the school faces, especially in the operational areas (e.g. in relation to teaching, health and safety, bullying and school trips) and in relation to the control of finance. This annual review, including operational procedures (e.g. vetting of new staff and visitors, supervision of school grounds) and internal financial controls is completed in order to minimise risk.

#### **Fundraising**

The academy trust does not use any external fundraisers. All fundraising undertaken during the year was monitored by the Trustees.

#### *Plans for future periods*

Whilst it is difficult to predict projected student numbers with absolute certainty, we know that our numbers are set to rise simply because of the students who are already in our feeder primary schools. Applications to Key Stage 3 have been historically secure and but unexpected changes to the PAN of other city schools impacted negatively in 2022. All other year groups are generally full and post 16 numbers have increased significantly in 2022.

School Improvement Priorities for the coming three years have been agreed as:

- Priority 1: Become a relational school where support and challenge enable growth and learning supported by excellent relationships and behaviours
- Priority 2: Deliver a coherent, knowledge-rich curriculum with effective assessment, feedback and support in place to meet needs
- Priority 3: Strengthen a sense of community, social awareness and personal responsibility
- Priority 4: Develop intelligent accountability against clear priorities, rooted in a support and challenge approach

Other key activities include:

- Continued exploration of further strategic site development to meet the needs of a growing student number, by use of capital fund programmes.
- Exploration of options around multi-academy trust opportunities

#### **Employment of disabled persons**

The policy of the Academy is to support recruitment and retention of students and employees with disabilities. The Academy supports this by adapting the physical environment wherever possible, by making support resources available and through training and career development. New buildings and improvements to existing buildings all recognise the need to be fully DDA compliant.

#### **Auditor**

Insofar as the Trustees are aware:

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

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### Trustees' Report for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

- the trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information.

The trustees' report, incorporating a Strategic Report, was approved by order of the members of the Board of Trustees, as company directors, on 12 December 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

.....  
R Travis  
Chair of Governors and Chair of the Board of Trustees

# Allestree Woodlands School

## Governance Statement

### Scope of responsibility

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

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

The Governing Body has delegated the day-to-day responsibility to G Penny, 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 Allestree Woodlands School and the Secretary of State for Education. They are also responsible for reporting to the Governing Body any material weaknesses or breakdowns in internal control.

### Governance

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

Trustee	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
K Cheatham	5	5
E Elson	5	5
S Garbett	4	5
H Jefferson	5	5
C Jones	4	5
G Penny	4	5
L Phelps	4	5
E Varley	5	5
J Abraham	2	5
S Emms	4	5
H Herbert	5	5
S Dixon (resigned 31 August 2022)	3	5
A Schofield	4	5
R Travis	4	5
C Trigg (resigned 28 September 2021)	0	1
K Bainham	5	5
K Cook (appointed 1 September 2021)	5	5

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## Governance Statement (continued)

### Coverage of the board's work

The board has ownership of the school's vision, ethos and strategy and works with the Head and Senior Leadership Team to develop plans to enact these. The board has an overview of all aspects within the school - including Curriculum, Student Performance, Attendance, Finance, Premises, Staffing, Health & Safety, Risk, with much of this work managed through the headteacher who is accountable to the board.

The board is working to continually improve the data it receives from the school, refining the reports it requests to aid understanding that the above are being enacted appropriately. In addition, the board reviews triangulation data, for example from the DfE, Derby's Professional Advocate for Children in Education, Health and Safety consultants and the schools accountants. The board is pleased to report openness and transparency from the headteacher and Senior Leadership Team.

Challenges over this time period have included that the board has had to find new, remote, ways of working during the pandemic, and to understand the additional risks that the school has faced during this period. However, data provided by the school has been helpful, and, as a result, the school has come through a very tricky year.

The board is satisfied that the quality of the financial, performance, attendance, staffing, health and safety and risk data that has been reviewed has given an accurate picture of the state of the school and has enable the governors to challenge as appropriate.

### Governance reviews

The Academy continues to actively encourage the appointment of Governors with essential skills. The Board is consistently monitoring its own standards of governance to identify any areas of weakness. Plans would be implemented to improve such areas if they were identified.

During the period there has been one appointed governor come to the end of their term, one parent governor ceased to be a governor and two parent governors were elected. At the end of the period, the board of Trustees has 17 Trustees including the Headteacher and one vacancy. A skills audit is being conducted to determine the plan to fill the vacancy.

The Resources Committee is a sub-committee of the main Governing Body. Its purpose is to ensure sound management of the academy's finances and resources, including proper planning, monitoring and probity in line with the ESFA guidelines in the Academy Trust Handbook and Accounts Direction documents. Attendance at meetings during the year was as follows:

Trustee	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
K Cheatham	5	5
S Garbett	5	5
C Jones	4	5
G Penny	4	5
R Travis	5	5
K Cook	4	5

### Review of value for money

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

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

- appointing an external cleaning company following a tender process
- appointing a new catering provider following a tender process

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## Governance Statement (continued)

### The purpose of the system of internal control

The system of internal control is designed to manage risk to a reasonable level rather than to eliminate all risk of failure to achieve policies, aims and objectives; it can therefore only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance of effectiveness. The system of internal control is based on an ongoing process designed to identify and prioritise the risks to the achievement of academy trust policies, aims and objectives, to evaluate the likelihood of those risks being realised and the impact should they be realised, and to manage them efficiently, effectively and economically. The system of internal control has been in place in Allestree Woodlands School for the year ended 31 August 2022 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements.

### Capacity to handle risk

The Governing Body has reviewed the key risks to which the academy trust is exposed, together with the operating, financial and compliance controls that have been implemented to mitigate those risks. The Governing Body is of the view that there is a formal ongoing process for identifying, evaluating and managing the academy trust's significant risks that has been in place for the year ended 31 August 2022 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements. This process is regularly reviewed by the Governing Body.

### The risk and control framework

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

- comprehensive budgeting and monitoring systems with an annual budget and periodic financial reports which are reviewed and agreed by the Governing Body;
- regular reviews by the Resources 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;
- identification and management of risks.

The Governing Body has decided:

- to employ Strictly Education Ltd as internal auditor

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

- compliance against the Academy Trust Handbook 2021
- payroll
- risk register and risk management

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

There were no material control or other issues by the Internal Auditor to date.

### Review of effectiveness

As Accounting Officer, G Penny has responsibility for reviewing the effectiveness of the system of internal control. During the year in question the review has been informed by:

- the work of the school business manager, internal auditor and external auditor;
- the financial management and governance self-assessment process or the school resource management self-assessment tool;
- the work of the business management within the academy trust who have responsibility for the development and maintenance of the internal control framework.

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**Governance Statement (continued)**

The Accounting Officer has been advised of the implications of the result of their review of the system of internal control by the Resources and Risk Management Committee and a plan to address weaknesses and ensure continuous improvement of the system is in place.

Approved by order of the members of the Governing Body on 12 December 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

.....  
G Penny  
Trustee

.....  
R Travis  
Trustee

## Allestree Woodlands School

### Statement of Regularity, Propriety and Compliance

As Accounting Officer of Allestree Woodlands School I have considered my responsibility to notify the academy trust Governing Body and the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) of material irregularity, impropriety and non-compliance with terms and conditions of all funding received by the academy trust, under the funding agreement in place between the academy trust and the Secretary of State for Education. As part of my consideration I have had due regard to the requirements of the Academy Trust Handbook 2021.

I confirm that I and the academy trust Governing Body are able to identify any material irregular or improper use of funds by the academy trust, or material non-compliance with the terms and conditions of funding under the academy trust's funding agreement and the Academy Trust Handbook 2021.

I confirm that no instances of material irregularity, impropriety or funding non-compliance have been discovered to date. If any instances are identified after the date of this statement, these will be notified to the Governing Body and ESFA.

.....  
G Penny  
Accounting officer

12 December 2022



# Allestree Woodlands School

## Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees (who act as governors and 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 year. Under company law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2021 to 2022;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities

The Trustees are responsible for ensuring that in its conduct and operation the charitable company applies financial and other controls, which conform with the requirements both of propriety and of good financial management. They are also responsible for ensuring grants received from 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 12 December 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

.....  
R Travis  
Chair of Governors and Chair of the Board of Trustees

## Allestree Woodlands School

### Independent Auditor's Report on the Financial Statements to the Members of Allestree Woodlands School

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Allestree Woodlands School (the 'Academy') and its subsidiaries (the 'Group') for the year ended 31 August 2022, which comprise the Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 August 2022 (including Income and Expenditure Account), Consolidated Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2022, Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2022, Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended 31 August 2022 and Notes to the Financial Statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', the Charities SORP 2019 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2021 to 2022 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 Group's and parent Academy trust's affairs at 31 August 2022 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP 2019 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2021 to 2022 issued by the Education and Skills Funding Agency.

#### Basis for opinion

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

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

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

#### Other information (covers the Reference and Administrative Details, the Trustees' Report and Strategic Report and the Governance Statement)

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 auditor's report thereon. Other information includes the Trustees' Annual Report (including the Strategic Report and Directors' Report), the governance statement, and the Accounting Officer's 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 course of the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of the other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

## Allestree Woodlands School

### Independent Auditor's Report on the Financial Statements to the Members of Allestree Woodlands School (continued)

#### 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 (incorporating the Strategic Report & Directors' Report) for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Strategic Report and Directors' 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 Group and the parent Academy and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Strategic Report and the Directors' Report.

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

- adequate accounting records have not been kept by the parent Academy, 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 Directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

#### Responsibilities of Trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities [set out on page 15], the Trustees (who are also directors of the Academy Trust for the purpose 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 Group's and the parent 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 Group or the parent Academy or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

#### Auditor Responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

- Discussions with management, including consideration of known or suspected instances of non-compliance held.
- Challenging assumptions and judgements made within significant accounting estimates and judgements such as depreciation and the local government pension scheme liability.
- Testing of income, bank, purchases and payroll, systems and controls and providing conclusions on the regularity of samples chosen.
- Identification of key laws and regulations central to the academies operations and review of compliance with such laws including a review of the Academy Trust Handbook 2021 and correspondence with solicitors to identify any on-going litigation.
- Testing of journal entries and potential override of systems.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. The risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

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](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our auditor's report.

**Allestree Woodlands School**

**Independent Auditor's Report on the Financial Statements to the Members of Allestree Woodlands School (continued)**

**Use of our report**

This report is made solely to the Academy Trust'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 Trust's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Academy Trust and the Academy Trust's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

.....  
Carrie Anne Jensen ACA (Senior Statutory Auditor)  
For and on behalf of Forrester Boyd, Statutory Auditor

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12 December 2022

## Allestree Woodlands School

### Independent Reporting Accountant's Assurance Report on Regularity to Allestree Woodlands School and the Education and Skills Funding Agency

In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 23 February 2022 and further to the requirements of the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) as included in the Academies Accounts Direction 2021 to 2022, we have carried out an engagement to obtain limited assurance about whether the expenditure disbursed and income received by Allestree Woodlands School during the period 1 September 2021 to 31 August 2022 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 Allestree Woodlands School and the ESFA in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter. Our work has been undertaken so that we may state to Allestree Woodlands School and the ESFA those matters we are required to state in a report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than Allestree Woodlands School and the ESFA, for our work, for this report, or for the conclusion we have formed.

#### **Respective responsibilities of the Allestree Woodlands School's accounting officer and the reporting accountant**

The Accounting Officer is responsible, under the requirements of the Governing Body's funding agreement with the Secretary of State for Education dated 31 March 2012 and the Academies Financial Handbook extant from 1 September 2021, 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 2021 to 2022. 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 from 1 September 2021 to 31 August 2022 have not been applied to purposes intended by Parliament or that the financial transactions do not conform to the authorities which govern them.

#### **Approach**

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

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

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

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

The work undertaken to draw to our conclusion includes:

- Evaluating the systems and control environment;
- Assessing the risk of irregularity, impropriety and non-compliance;
- Ensuring that the activities of the Academy trust are in keeping with the Academy's framework and the charitable objectives;
- Obtaining representations from the Accounting Officer and Key Management Personnel.

#### **Conclusion**

In the course of our work, nothing has come to our attention which suggests that in all material respects the expenditure disbursed and income received during the year from 1 September 2021 to 31 August 2022 has not been applied to purposes intended by Parliament and the financial transactions do not conform to the authorities which govern them.

**Allestree Woodlands School**

**Independent Reporting Accountant's Assurance Report on Regularity to Allestree Woodlands School and the Education and Skills Funding Agency (continued)**

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## Allestree Woodlands School

### Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (including Income and Expenditure Account)

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted General Funds £	Restricted Fixed Asset Funds £	2021/22 Total £	2020/21 Total £
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>						
Donations and capital grants	2	148,872	-	27,836	176,708	124,357
Other trading activities	4	577,172	-	-	577,172	275,798
Investments	5	-	-	-	-	93
<i>Charitable activities:</i>						
Funding for the Academy trust's educational operations	3	-	8,085,854	-	8,085,854	7,650,015
<b>Total</b>		<u>726,044</u>	<u>8,085,854</u>	<u>27,836</u>	<u>8,839,734</u>	<u>8,050,263</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
Raising funds	6	363,295	-	-	363,295	225,619
<i>Charitable activities:</i>						
Academy trust educational operations		-	8,453,101	280,550	8,733,651	8,124,687
<b>Total</b>		<u>363,295</u>	<u>8,453,101</u>	<u>280,550</u>	<u>9,096,946</u>	<u>8,350,306</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		362,749	(367,247)	(252,714)	(257,212)	(300,043)
Transfers between funds		-	(78,380)	78,380	-	-
<b>Other recognised gains and losses</b>						
Actuarial gains on defined benefit pension schemes	23	-	3,546,000	-	3,546,000	(944,000)
Net movement in funds/(deficit)		362,749	3,100,373	(174,334)	3,288,788	(1,244,043)
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>						
Total funds/(deficit) brought forward at 1 September 2021		<u>367,511</u>	<u>(4,871,981)</u>	<u>5,994,075</u>	<u>1,489,605</u>	<u>2,733,648</u>
Total funds/(deficit) carried forward at 31 August 2022		<u><u>730,260</u></u>	<u><u>(1,771,608)</u></u>	<u><u>5,819,741</u></u>	<u><u>4,778,393</u></u>	<u><u>1,489,605</u></u>

Comparative figures are stated on page 22.

## Allestree Woodlands School

### Consolidated Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 August 2021 (including Income and Expenditure Account)

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted General Funds £	Restricted Fixed Asset Funds £	2020/21 Total £
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>					
Donations and capital grants	2	46,405	-	77,952	124,357
Other trading activities	4	275,798	-	-	275,798
Investments	5	93	-	-	93
<i>Charitable activities:</i>					
Funding for the Academy trust's educational operations	3	-	7,650,015	-	7,650,015
<b>Total</b>		<u>322,296</u>	<u>7,650,015</u>	<u>77,952</u>	<u>8,050,263</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Raising funds	6	225,619	-	-	225,619
<i>Charitable activities:</i>					
Academy trust educational operations		-	7,865,545	259,142	8,124,687
<b>Total</b>		<u>225,619</u>	<u>7,865,545</u>	<u>259,142</u>	<u>8,350,306</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		96,677	(215,530)	(181,190)	(300,043)
Transfers between funds		(18,781)	(29,451)	48,232	-
<b>Other recognised gains and losses</b>					
Actuarial gains on defined benefit pension schemes	23	-	(944,000)	-	(944,000)
Net movement in funds/(deficit)		77,896	(1,188,981)	(132,958)	(1,244,043)
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
Total funds/(deficit) brought forward at 1 September 2020		<u>289,615</u>	<u>(3,683,000)</u>	<u>6,127,033</u>	<u>2,733,648</u>
Total funds/(deficit) carried forward at 31 August 2021		<u><u>367,511</u></u>	<u><u>(4,871,981)</u></u>	<u><u>5,994,075</u></u>	<u><u>1,489,605</u></u>



## Allestree Woodlands School

### (Registration number: 07951293) Consolidated Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	11	5,819,741	5,994,075
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	13	138,836	93,533
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>1,228,305</u>	<u>655,607</u>
		1,367,141	749,140
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	14	<u>(492,489)</u>	<u>(292,610)</u>
Net current assets		<u>874,652</u>	<u>456,530</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>6,694,393</u>	<u>6,450,605</u>
Net assets excluding pension liability		6,694,393	6,450,605
Pension scheme liability	23	<u>(1,916,000)</u>	<u>(4,961,000)</u>
Net assets including pension liability		<u><u>4,778,393</u></u>	<u><u>1,489,605</u></u>
<b>Funds of the Academy:</b>			
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted general fund		144,392	89,019
Restricted fixed asset fund		5,819,741	5,994,075
Pension reserve		<u>(1,916,000)</u>	<u>(4,961,000)</u>
		4,048,133	1,122,094
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
Unrestricted general fund		<u>730,260</u>	<u>367,511</u>
Total funds		<u><u>4,778,393</u></u>	<u><u>1,489,605</u></u>

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees, and authorised for issue on 12 December 2022 and signed on their behalf by:

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R Travis  
Chair of Governors and Chair of the Board of Trustees

## Allestree Woodlands School

**(Registration number: 07951293)**  
**Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2022**

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	11	5,819,741	5,994,075
Investments	12	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
		<u>5,819,742</u>	<u>5,994,076</u>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	13	138,835	93,532
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>1,228,305</u>	<u>655,607</u>
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**Allestree Woodlands School**

**Consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended 31 August 2022**

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Net cash provided by operating activities	18	651,078	167,279
Cash flows from investing activities	19	<u>(78,380)</u>	<u>(98,418)</u>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year		572,698	68,861
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 September		<u>655,607</u>	<u>586,746</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 August	20	<u><u>1,228,305</u></u>	<u><u>655,607</u></u>

# Allestree Woodlands School

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022

### 1 Accounting policies

#### General Information

The academy trust is a private company limited by guarantee and incorporated in the United Kingdom.

The address of its registered office is:  
Allestree Woodlands School  
Blenheim Drive  
Allestree  
Derby  
Derbyshire  
DE22 2LW

These financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board on 28 November 2022.

#### Statement of accounting policies

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

#### Basis of preparation

The financial statements of the academy trust, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared under the historical 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 2021 to 2022 issued by ESFA, the Charities Act 2011 and the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional currency of the company and have been rounded to the nearest pound.

Allestree Woodlands School meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

#### Going concern

The trustees assess whether the use of going concern is appropriate i.e. whether there are any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the company to continue as a going concern. The trustees make this assessment in respect of a period of at least one year from the date of authorisation for issue of the financial statements and have concluded that the academy trust has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and there are no material uncertainties about the academy trust's ability to continue as a going concern, thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

#### Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the company and its sole subsidiary undertaking. These are adjusted, where appropriate, to conform to group accounting policies. As a consolidated group profit and loss account is published, a separate profit and loss account for the parent company is omitted from the group financial statements by virtue of section 408 of the Companies Act 2006.

#### Income

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

## Allestree Woodlands School

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

#### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

##### **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 period is deducted from income and recognised as a liability.

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

##### **Sponsorship income**

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

##### **Donations**

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

##### **Other income**

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

##### **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.

All resources expended are inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

##### **Expenditure on raising funds**

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

##### **Charitable activities**

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

# Allestree Woodlands School

## Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

#### Tangible fixed assets

Assets costing £2,000 or more are capitalised as tangible fixed assets and are carried at cost, net of depreciation and any provision for impairment.

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

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets other than freehold land and assets under construction, at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset on a straight-line basis over its expected useful life, per the table below. Where an asset comprises of two or more components which have substantially different useful lives, each component is depreciated separately over its useful economic life.

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.

<b>Asset class</b>	<b>Depreciation method and rate</b>
Freehold property	50 years straight line basis
Furniture and equipment	5 years straight line basis
Computer equipment	3 years straight line basis

#### Liabilities

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

#### Leased assets

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

#### Investments

The Academy's shareholding in the wholly owned subsidiary, Allestree Woodlands Leisure Limited, is included in the balance sheet at the cost of the share capital owned less any impairment. There is no readily available market value and the cost of valuation exceeds the benefit derived.

#### Financial Instruments

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

Financial assets - trade and other debtors are basic financial instruments and are debt instruments measured at cost. Prepayments are not financial instruments.

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

Financial liabilities - trade creditors, accruals and other creditors are financial instruments, and are measured at transaction price. 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.

## Allestree Woodlands School

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

#### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

##### Taxation

The academy trust is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes.

Accordingly, the academy trust is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

##### Pension benefits

Retirement benefits to employees of the academy trust are provided by the Teachers' Pension Scheme ('TPS') and the Local Government Pension Scheme ('LGPS'). These are defined benefit schemes. The TPS is an unfunded scheme and contributions are calculated to spread the cost of pensions over employees' working lives with the academy trust in such a way that the pension cost is a substantially level percentage of current and future pensionable payroll. The contributions are determined by the Government Actuary based on 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 trust in separate trustee administered funds. Pension scheme assets are measured at fair value and liabilities are measured on an actuarial basis using the projected unit credit method and discounted at a rate equivalent to the current rate of return on a high-quality corporate bond of equivalent term and currency to the liabilities. The actuarial valuations are obtained at least triennially and are updated at each balance sheet date. The amounts charged to net income/(expenditure) 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.

##### Fund accounting

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

Restricted fixed asset funds are resources, which are to be applied to specific capital purposes imposed by 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.

##### Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement

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

## Allestree Woodlands School

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

#### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

##### *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 (income) for pensions include the discount rate. Any changes in these assumptions, which are disclosed in note 23, 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 2019 has been used by the actuary in valuing the pensions liability at 31 August 2022. 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.

##### **Agency accounting**

The academy trust acts as an agent in distributing 16-19 bursary funds from ESFA. Payments received from ESFA and subsequent disbursements to students are excluded from the statement of financial activities as the trust does not have control over the charitable application of the funds. The trust can use up to 5% of the allocation towards its own administration costs and this is recognised in the statement of financial activities. The funds received and paid and any balances held are disclosed in note 25.

##### **Subsidiary undertaking**

The financial statements include the results of Allestree Woodlands Leisure Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary. Further details of the subsidiary and its results are set out in note 12. Profits generated by the subsidiary will be passed to the Academy via gift aid.



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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

#### 2 Donations and capital grants

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Fixed Asset Funds £	2021/22 Total £	2020/21 Total £
Educational trips and visits	146,291	-	146,291	46,069
Capital grants	-	27,836	27,836	27,673
Other donations	2,581	-	2,581	336
Donated fixed assets	-	-	-	50,279
	<u>148,872</u>	<u>27,836</u>	<u>176,708</u>	<u>124,357</u>

#### 3 Funding for the Academy Trust's educational operations

	Restricted General Funds £	2021/22 Total £	2020/21 Total £
<b>DfE/ESFA revenue grants</b>			
General Annual Grant	7,184,387	7,184,387	6,678,975
Pupil Premium	240,871	240,871	233,969
Other ESFA grants	273,673	273,673	70,932
Teachers Pay and Pension Grant	54,125	54,125	354,826
	<u>7,753,056</u>	<u>7,753,056</u>	<u>7,338,702</u>
<b>Other government grants</b>			
Local Authority Funding	311,848	311,848	200,113
<b>Non-government grants and other income</b>			
Other Grants	20,950	20,950	4,480
<b>Covid-19 additional funding (DfE/ESFA)</b>			
COVID-19	-	-	106,720
Total grants	<u>8,085,854</u>	<u>8,085,854</u>	<u>7,650,015</u>

The academy received £Nil (2021: £106,720) of funding for catch-up premium and costs incurred in respect of this funding totalled £143,144 (2021: £17,701) from brought forward funding.

## Allestree Woodlands School

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

#### 4 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	2021/22 Total £	2020/21 Total £
Hire of facilities	284,495	284,495	101,927
Catering income	244,956	244,956	154,459
School shop sales	12,416	12,416	11,912
Other trading income	35,305	35,305	7,500
	577,172	577,172	275,798

#### 5 Investment income

	2021/22 Total £	2020/21 Total £
Short term deposits	-	93

#### 6 Expenditure

	Non Pay Expenditure			2021/22 Total £	2020/21 Total £
	Staff costs £	Premises £	Other £		
<b>Expenditure on raising funds</b>					
Direct costs	51,721	18,000	311,574	381,295	225,619
Allocated support costs	-	(18,000)	-	(18,000)	-
<b>Academy's educational operations</b>					
Direct costs	5,657,658	-	462,468	6,120,126	5,573,665
Allocated support costs	1,164,701	956,649	492,175	2,613,525	2,551,022
	6,874,080	956,649	1,266,217	9,096,946	8,350,306

## Allestree Woodlands School

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

#### 6 Expenditure (continued)

Net income/(expenditure) for the year includes:

	2021/22	2020/21
	£	£
Depreciation	280,550	246,645
Fees payable to auditor - audit	12,715	12,110
Fees payable to auditor - other audit services	<u>1,691</u>	<u>1,610</u>

#### 7 Charitable activities

	2021/22	2020/21
	£	£
Direct costs - educational operations	6,120,126	5,573,665
Support costs - educational operations	<u>2,613,525</u>	<u>2,551,022</u>
	<u>8,733,651</u>	<u>8,124,687</u>

	Educational operations £	2021/22 Total £	2020/21 Total £
<b>Analysis of support costs</b>			
Support staff costs	1,164,701	1,164,701	1,171,012
Depreciation	280,550	280,550	259,142
Technology costs	86,447	86,447	151,659
Premises costs	676,099	676,099	576,661
Other support costs	358,187	358,187	358,118
Governance costs	<u>47,541</u>	<u>47,541</u>	<u>34,430</u>
Total support costs	<u>2,613,525</u>	<u>2,613,525</u>	<u>2,551,022</u>

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

#### 8 Staff

Staff costs	2021/22 £	2020/21 £
<b>Staff costs during the year were:</b>		
Wages and salaries	4,707,028	4,514,361
Social security costs	436,610	425,389
Operating costs of defined benefit pension schemes	<u>1,468,174</u>	<u>1,290,439</u>
	6,611,812	6,230,189
Supply staff costs	262,268	117,503
Staff restructuring costs	<u>-</u>	<u>6,943</u>
	<u><u>6,874,080</u></u>	<u><u>6,354,635</u></u>
	<b>2021/22</b> £	<b>2020/21</b> £

<b>Staff restructuring costs comprise:</b>		
Severance payments	-	6,943

#### Staff numbers

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

	2021/22 No	2020/21 No
Teachers	76	75
Administration and support	100	78
Management	<u>9</u>	<u>11</u>
	<u><u>185</u></u>	<u><u>164</u></u>

#### Higher paid staff

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

	2022 No	2021 No
£60,001 - £70,000	-	1
£70,001 - £80,000	2	1
£90,001 - £100,000	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

#### Key management personnel

The key management personnel of the academy trust comprise the trustees and the senior management team as listed on page 1. The total amount of employee benefits (including employer pension contributions and employer national insurance contributions) received by key management personnel for their services to the academy trust was £781,323 (2021: £695,531).

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

#### 9 Related party transactions - trustees' remuneration and expenses

One or more trustees has been paid remuneration or has received other benefits from employment with the academy trust. 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, and not in respect of their role as trustees. The value of trustees' remuneration and other benefits was as follows:

E Elson (Teacher):

Remuneration: £50,000 - £55,000 (2021 - £50,000 - £55,000)  
Employer's pension contributions: £10,000 - £15,000 (2021 - £10,000 - £15,000)

G Penny (Headteacher):

Remuneration: £95,000 - £100,000 (2021 - £90,000 - £95,000)  
Employer's pension contributions: £20,000 - £25,000 (2021 - £20,000 - £25,000)

C Jones (Teacher):

Remuneration: £50,000 - £55,000 (2021 - £45,000 - £50,000)  
Employer's pension contributions: £10,000 - £15,000 (2021 - £10,000 - £15,000)

S Garbett (Support):

Remuneration: £40,000 - £45,000 (2021 - £35,000 - £40,000)  
Employer's pension contributions: £5,000 - £10,000 (2021 - £5,000 - £10,000)

K Eaton (Support):

Remuneration: (2021 - £Nil)  
Employer's pension contributions: (2021 - £Nil)

During the year ended 31 August 2022, travel and subsistence expenses totalling £188 (2021 - 316) were reimbursed or paid directly to 2 trustees (2021 - 2).

Other related party transactions involving the trustees are set out in note 24.

#### 10 Trustees' and officers' insurance

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

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**Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)**

**11 Tangible fixed assets**

**Group**

	Freehold land and buildings £	Furniture and equipment £	Computer equipment £	2021/22 Total £
<b>Cost</b>				
At 1 September 2021	6,341,718	1,329,482	130,782	7,801,982
Additions	-	68,823	37,393	106,216
At 31 August 2022	<u>6,341,718</u>	<u>1,398,305</u>	<u>168,175</u>	<u>7,908,198</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1 September 2021	659,536	1,093,585	54,786	1,807,907
Charge for the year	82,443	159,607	38,500	280,550
At 31 August 2022	<u>741,979</u>	<u>1,253,192</u>	<u>93,286</u>	<u>2,088,457</u>
<b>Net book value</b>				
At 31 August 2022	<u>5,599,739</u>	<u>145,113</u>	<u>74,889</u>	<u>5,819,741</u>
At 31 August 2021	<u>5,682,182</u>	<u>235,897</u>	<u>75,996</u>	<u>5,994,075</u>

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<b>Net book value</b>				
At 31 August 2022	<u>5,599,739</u>	<u>145,113</u>	<u>74,889</u>	<u>5,819,741</u>
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## Allestree Woodlands School

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

#### 12 Investments

##### Academy

	Investment in subsidiary £
<b>Fair value</b>	
At 1 September 2021	1
<b>Provision</b>	
At 31 August 2022	-
<b>Net book value</b>	
At 31 August 2022	1

The Academy owns 100% of the Ordinary shares of Allestree Woodlands Leisure Limited, a company incorporated in England. The principal activity of the company is provision of sports activities in the local community. Turnover for the year ended 31 August 2022 was £255,699, expenditure was £169,484 and the profit/(loss) for the year was £Nil. The assets of the company at 31 August 2022 were £1, liabilities were £Nil and capital and reserves were £1.

#### 13 Debtors

	Group		Academy	
	2022	2021	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Trade debtors	1,990	1,991	1,990	1,990
VAT recoverable	49,214	31,229	49,214	31,229
Other debtors	1	-	-	-
Prepayments	46,190	20,820	46,190	20,820
Accrued grant and other income	41,441	39,493	41,441	39,493
	138,836	93,533	138,835	93,532

#### 14 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Group		Academy	
	2022	2021	2022	2021
	£	£	£	£
Trade creditors	238,493	124,273	238,493	124,273
Other taxation and social security	180,742	107,505	180,742	107,505
Other creditors	1	34	1	34
Accruals	73,253	60,798	73,253	60,798
	492,489	292,610	492,489	292,610

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

#### 15 Funds

#### Group

	Balance at 1 September 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains, losses and transfers £	Balance at 31 August 2022 £
<b>Restricted general funds</b>					
General Annual Grant	-	7,184,387	(6,961,615)	(78,380)	144,392
Pupil Premium	-	240,871	(240,871)	-	-
Other ESFA Grants	-	327,796	(327,796)	-	-
Other Local Authority Grants	-	311,850	(311,850)	-	-
ESFA Covid-19 Grants	89,019	-	(89,019)	-	-
Other grants	-	20,950	(20,950)	-	-
Local Government Pension Scheme	(4,961,000)	-	(501,000)	3,546,000	(1,916,000)
	<u>(4,871,981)</u>	<u>8,085,854</u>	<u>(8,453,101)</u>	<u>3,467,620</u>	<u>(1,771,608)</u>
<b>Restricted fixed asset funds</b>					
Assets inherited on conversion	5,956,293	-	(263,957)	106,216	5,798,552
ESFA Capital grants	-	27,836	-	(27,836)	-
DfE donated ICT assets	37,782	-	(16,593)	-	21,189
	<u>5,994,075</u>	<u>27,836</u>	<u>(280,550)</u>	<u>78,380</u>	<u>5,819,741</u>
Total restricted funds	1,122,094	8,113,690	(8,733,651)	3,546,000	4,048,133
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
Unrestricted general funds	367,511	726,044	(363,295)	-	730,260
Total funds	<u>1,489,605</u>	<u>8,839,734</u>	<u>(9,096,946)</u>	<u>3,546,000</u>	<u>4,778,393</u>



## Allestree Woodlands School

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

#### 15 Funds (continued)

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

	Balance at 1 September 2020 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains, losses and transfers £	Balance at 31 August 2021 £
<b>Restricted general funds</b>					
General Annual Grant	-	6,678,975	(6,649,524)	(29,451)	-
Pupil Premium	-	233,969	(233,969)	-	-
Other ESFA Grants	-	425,758	(425,758)	-	-
Other Local Authority Grants	-	200,113	(200,113)	-	-
ESFA Covid-19 Grants	-	106,720	(17,701)	-	89,019
Other grants	-	4,480	(4,480)	-	-
Local Government Pension Scheme	(3,683,000)	-	(334,000)	(944,000)	(4,961,000)
	<u>(3,683,000)</u>	<u>7,650,015</u>	<u>(7,865,545)</u>	<u>(973,451)</u>	<u>(4,871,981)</u>
<b>Restricted fixed asset funds</b>					
Assets inherited on conversion	6,052,835	-	(246,645)	150,103	5,956,293
ESFA Capital grants	28,069	27,673	-	(55,742)	-
Assets purchased from GAG	46,129	-	-	(46,129)	-
DfE donated ICT assets	-	50,279	(12,497)	-	37,782
	<u>6,127,033</u>	<u>77,952</u>	<u>(259,142)</u>	<u>48,232</u>	<u>5,994,075</u>
Total restricted funds	2,444,033	7,727,967	(8,124,687)	(925,219)	1,122,094
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
Unrestricted general funds	289,615	322,296	(225,619)	(18,781)	367,511
Total funds	<u>2,733,648</u>	<u>8,050,263</u>	<u>(8,350,306)</u>	<u>(944,000)</u>	<u>1,489,605</u>

## Allestree Woodlands School

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

#### 15 Funds (continued)

##### Academy

	Balance at 1 September 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains, losses and transfers £	Balance at 31 August 2022 £
<b>Restricted general funds</b>					
General Annual Grant	-	7,184,387	(6,961,615)	(78,380)	144,392
Pupil Premium	-	240,871	(240,871)	-	-
Other ESFA grants	-	327,796	(327,796)	-	-
Other Local Authority grants	-	311,850	(311,850)	-	-
ESFA Covid-19 grants	89,019	-	(89,019)	-	-
Other grants	-	20,950	(20,950)	-	-
Local Government Pension Scheme	(4,961,000)	-	(501,000)	3,546,000	(1,916,000)
	<u>(4,871,981)</u>	<u>8,085,854</u>	<u>(8,453,101)</u>	<u>3,467,620</u>	<u>(1,771,608)</u>
<b>Restricted fixed asset funds</b>					
Assets inherited on conversion	5,956,293	-	(263,957)	106,216	5,798,552
ESFA Capital grants	-	27,836	-	(27,836)	-
DfE donated ICT assets	37,782	-	(16,593)	-	21,189
	<u>5,994,075</u>	<u>27,836</u>	<u>(280,550)</u>	<u>78,380</u>	<u>5,819,741</u>
Total restricted funds	1,122,094	8,113,690	(8,733,651)	3,546,000	4,048,133
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
Unrestricted general funds	367,511	639,829	(277,080)	-	730,260
Total funds	<u>1,489,605</u>	<u>8,753,519</u>	<u>(9,010,731)</u>	<u>3,546,000</u>	<u>4,778,393</u>

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

#### 15 Funds (continued)

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

	Balance at 1 September 2020 £	Incoming resources £	Resources Expended £	Gains, losses and transfers £	Balance at 31 August 2021 £
<b>Restricted general funds</b>					
General Annual Grant	2,000	6,678,975	(6,651,524)	(29,451)	-
Pupil Premium	-	233,969	(233,969)	-	-
Other ESFA grants	-	425,758	(425,758)	-	-
Other Local Authority grants	1	200,113	(200,113)	(1)	-
ESFA Covid-19 grants	-	106,720	(17,701)	-	89,019
Other grants	-	4,480	(4,480)	-	-
Local Government Pension Scheme	(3,683,000)	-	(334,000)	(944,000)	(4,961,000)
	<u>(3,680,999)</u>	<u>7,650,015</u>	<u>(7,867,545)</u>	<u>(973,452)</u>	<u>(4,871,981)</u>
<b>Restricted fixed asset funds</b>					
Assets inherited on conversion	6,052,835	-	(246,645)	150,103	5,956,293
ESFA Capital grants	28,069	27,673	-	(55,742)	-
Assets purchased from GAG	46,129	-	-	(46,129)	-
DfE donated ICT assets	-	50,279	(12,497)	-	37,782
	<u>6,127,033</u>	<u>77,952</u>	<u>(259,142)</u>	<u>48,232</u>	<u>5,994,075</u>
Total restricted funds	2,446,034	7,727,967	(8,126,687)	(925,220)	1,122,094
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
Unrestricted general funds	287,615	288,584	(189,908)	(18,780)	367,511
Total funds	<u>2,733,649</u>	<u>8,016,551</u>	<u>(8,316,595)</u>	<u>(944,000)</u>	<u>1,489,605</u>

The academy trust is not subject to GAG carried forward limits.

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

Restricted general funds have been spent with the terms of the Master Funding Agreement.

Restricted fixed asset funds are used solely for capital purchases in line with the strategic objectives of Allestree Woodlands School.

The restricted pension fund is in deficit to the value of £1,916,000 as at 31 August 2022, which is in excess of the unrestricted funds. However, the deficit was inherited upon conversion to academy trust and is underwritten by DfE.

A transfer of £78,380 was made during the year from restricted funds to restricted fixed asset funds where fixed asset additions have been purchased.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

#### 16 Analysis of net assets between funds

##### Group

Fund balances at 31 August 2022 are represented by:

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted General Funds £	Restricted Asset Funds £	Fixed Funds £	Total Funds £
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	5,819,741		5,819,741
Current assets	730,260	636,881		-	1,367,141
Current liabilities	-	(492,489)		-	(492,489)
Pension scheme liability	-	(1,916,000)		-	(1,916,000)
<b>Total net assets</b>	<b>730,260</b>	<b>(1,771,608)</b>	<b>5,819,741</b>		<b>4,778,393</b>

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

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted General Funds £	Restricted Asset Funds £	Fixed Funds £	Total Funds £
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	5,994,075		5,994,075
Current assets	367,511	381,629		-	749,140
Current liabilities	-	(292,610)		-	(292,610)
Pension scheme liability	-	(4,961,000)		-	(4,961,000)
<b>Total net assets</b>	<b>367,511</b>	<b>(4,871,981)</b>	<b>5,994,075</b>		<b>1,489,605</b>

##### Academy

Fund balances at 31 August 2022 are represented by:

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted General Funds £	Restricted Asset Funds £	Fixed Funds £	Total Funds £
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	5,819,741		5,819,741
Investments	-	1		-	1
Current assets	730,260	636,880		-	1,367,140
Current liabilities	-	(492,489)		-	(492,489)
Pension scheme liability	-	(1,916,000)		-	(1,916,000)
<b>Total net assets</b>	<b>730,260</b>	<b>(1,771,608)</b>	<b>5,819,741</b>		<b>4,778,393</b>

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

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**Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)**

**16 Analysis of net assets between funds (continued)**

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted general funds £	Restricted fixed asset funds £	Total funds £
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	5,994,075	5,994,075
Investments	-	1	-	1
Current assets	367,511	381,628	-	749,139
Current liabilities	-	(292,610)	-	(292,610)
Pension scheme liability	-	(4,961,000)	-	(4,961,000)
<b>Total net assets</b>	<b>384,291</b>	<b>(4,888,761)</b>	<b>5,994,075</b>	<b>1,489,605</b>

**Long-term commitments, including operating leases**

**17**

**Group**

***Operating leases***

At 31 August 2022 the Group had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	2022 £	2021 £
Amounts due within one year	33,054	30,035
Amounts due between one and five years	51,124	24,257
Amounts due after five years	3,745	-
	<u>87,923</u>	<u>54,292</u>

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***Operating leases***

At 31 August 2022 the total of the Academy trust's future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases was:

	2022 £	2021 £
Amounts due within one year	33,054	30,035
Amounts due between one and five years	51,124	24,257
Amounts due after five years	3,745	-
	<u>87,923</u>	<u>54,292</u>

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

#### 18 Reconciliation of net expenditure to net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities

	2021/22	2020/21
	£	£
Net expenditure	(257,212)	(300,043)
Depreciation	280,550	259,142
Capital grants from DfE and other capital income	(27,836)	(27,673)
Interest receivable	-	(93)
Defined benefit pension scheme cost less contributions payable	416,000	269,000
Defined benefit pension scheme finance cost	85,000	65,000
(Increase)/decrease in debtors	(45,303)	682
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	<u>199,879</u>	<u>(98,736)</u>
Net cash provided by Operating Activities	<u><u>651,078</u></u>	<u><u>167,279</u></u>

#### 19 Cash flows from investing activities

	2021/22	2020/21
	£	£
Dividends, interest and rents from investments	-	93
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(106,216)	(126,184)
Capital funding received from sponsors and others	<u>27,836</u>	<u>27,673</u>
Net cash used in investing activities	<u><u>(78,380)</u></u>	<u><u>(98,418)</u></u>

#### 20 Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2022	2021
	£	£
Cash in hand and at bank	<u>1,228,305</u>	<u>655,607</u>
Total cash and cash equivalents	<u><u>1,228,305</u></u>	<u><u>655,607</u></u>

#### 21 Analysis of changes in net debt

	At 1 September 2021	Cash flows	At 31 August 2022
	£	£	£
Cash	655,607	572,698	1,228,305
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total	<u><u>655,607</u></u>	<u><u>572,698</u></u>	<u><u>1,228,305</u></u>

#### 22 Member 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 they are a member, or within one year after they cease to be a member, such amount as may be required, not exceeding £10 for the debts and liabilities contracted before they cease to be a member.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

#### 23 Pension and similar obligations

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

The latest actuarial valuation of the TPS related to the period ended 31 March 2016 and of the LGPS 31 March 2019.

There were no outstanding or prepaid contributions at either the beginning or the end of the financial year.

#### 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 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 member and employer makes contributions, as a percentage of salary - these contributions are credited to the Exchequer. Retirement and other pension benefits are paid by public funds provided by Parliament.

#### Valuation of the Teachers' Pension Scheme

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

The key elements of the valuation and subsequent consultation are:

- employer contribution rates set at 23.68% of pensionable pay (including a 0.08% administration 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 period amounted to £813,385 (2021: £783,661).

A copy of the valuation report and supporting documentation is on the Teachers' Pensions website.

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

#### Local government pension scheme

The LGPS is a funded defined-benefit scheme, with the assets held in separate trustee-administered funds. The total contribution made for the year ended 31 August 2022 was £321,000 (2021 - £304,000), of which employer's contributions totalled £252,000 (2021 - £236,000) and employees' contributions totalled £69,000 (2021 - £68,000). The agreed contribution rates for future years are 22.9 per cent for employers and 5.5 - 11.4 per cent for employees.

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

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

#### 23 Pension and similar obligations (continued)

##### Principal actuarial assumptions

	2022	2021
	%	%
Rate of increase in salaries	3.80	3.60
Rate of increase for pensions in payment/inflation	3.10	2.90
Discount rate for scheme liabilities	4.30	1.70

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

	2022	2021
<b>Retiring today</b>		
Males retiring today	21.20	21.30
Females retiring today	23.80	23.90
<b>Retiring in 20 years</b>		
Males retiring in 20 years	22.20	22.50
Females retiring in 20 years	25.60	25.80

##### Sensitivity analysis

	2022	2021
	£	£
0.1% decrease in Real Discount Rate	108,000	182,000
0.1% increase in the Salary Increase Rate	8,000	13,000
Mortality assumption – 1 year increase	171,000	288,000
0.1% increase in the Pension Increase Rate	101,000	167,000

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

	2022	2021
	£	£
Equities	1,584,550	1,457,950
Corporate bonds	496,650	515,890
Property	212,850	157,010
Cash and other liquid assets	70,950	112,150
Total market value of assets	2,365,000	2,243,000

The actual return on scheme assets was (£135,000) (2021 - £311,000).



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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (continued)

#### 23 Pension and similar obligations (continued)

##### Amounts recognised in the statement of financial activities

	2021/22	2020/21
	£	£
Current service cost	668,000	505,000
Interest income	(39,000)	(31,000)
Interest cost	124,000	96,000
	753,000	570,000
Total amount recognized in the SOFA	753,000	570,000

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

	2021/22	2020/21
	£	£
At start of period	7,204,000	5,368,000
Current service cost	668,000	505,000
Interest cost	124,000	96,000
Employee contributions	69,000	68,000
Actuarial (gain)/loss	(3,720,000)	1,224,000
Benefits paid	(64,000)	(57,000)
	4,281,000	7,204,000
At 31 August	4,281,000	7,204,000

##### Changes in the fair value of academy's share of scheme assets:

	2021/22	2020/21
	£	£
At start of period	2,243,000	1,685,000
Interest income	39,000	31,000
Actuarial gain/(loss)	(174,000)	280,000
Employer contributions	252,000	236,000
Employee contributions	69,000	68,000
Benefits paid	(64,000)	(57,000)
	2,365,000	2,243,000
At 31 August	2,365,000	2,243,000

#### 24 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 trustees have an interest.

There were no related party transactions in the year, other than certain trustees' remuneration and expenses already disclosed in note 9.

#### 25 Agency arrangements

The academy trust distributes 16-19 bursary funds to students as an agent for ESFA. In the accounting period ending 31 August 2022 the academy trust received £9,134 and disbursed £9,134 from the fund. An amount of £Nil is included in other creditors relating to undistributed funds that is repayable to ESFA.

Comparatives for the accounting period ending 31 August 2021 are £10,005 received, £10,005 disbursed and £Nil included in other creditors.