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Cramlington Village Primary Limited

(A company limited by guarantee)

Annual report

31 August 2020

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Reference and administrative details

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Suzanne McGarva (resigned 6 December 2019) Zoe Morrow (resigned 19 November 2019) Irena Peel (resigned 4 February 2020)

Margaret Shahin (appointed 11 February 2020)

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Governors' report Year ended 31 August 2020

The governors present their annual report together with the financial statements and auditor's report of the charitable company for the year 1 September 2019 to 31 August 2020. The annual report serves the purposes of both a trustees' report, and a directors' report under company law.

The trust operates an academy for pupils aged 3 to 11 serving the Cramlington area. It has a pupil capacity of 210 plus 26 nursery and had 183 children on roll as at October 2020.

Structure, governance and management

Constitution

Cramlington Village Primary Limited is a free school which is an academy trust, a company limited by guarantee and an exempt charity. The company was incorporated on 23 March 2011.

The charitable company's Memorandum and Articles of Association are the primary governing documents of the academy trust.

The governors act as the trustees for the charitable activities of Cramlington Village Primary Limited and are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law. The charitable company trades as Cramlington Village Primary School. The governors determine the general policy of the school. The day to day management of the school is delegated to the Principal under a scheme of delegation.

Details of the governors who served during the year are included within the 'Reference and administrative details' on page 1.

Members' liability

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

Governors' indemnities

The academy maintains insurance for its governors, details of which are given in note 12.

Method of recruitment and appointment or election of governors

Governors are appointed under the Articles of Association. There shall be no less than three governors but the trust is not subject to any maximum number (unless otherwise determined by ordinary resolution).

The members may appoint up to 10 governors.

The members may appoint staff governors through such process as they may determine, provided that the total number of governors (including the Principal) who are employees of the academy trust does not exceed one third of the total number of governors.

The Principal shall be treated for all purposes as being an ex officio governor.

A minimum of two parent governors shall be elected by parents of registered pupils at the academy. A parent governor must be a parent of a pupil at the academy at the time when he/she is elected.

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Any additional governors may be appointed by the Secretary of State in circumstances where he believes that the performance of pupils is unacceptably low, there has been a serious breakdown in standards of management or governance, the safety of pupils or staff is threatened or there has been a Special Measures Termination Event. No governors have been appointed under these circumstances.

The academy trust may also have up to 3 co-opted governors. These are governors appointed by governors who are not themselves co-opted governors. Governors cannot co-opt an employee if this means that the number of governors who are also employees would exceed the one third rule.

The term of office for any governor shall be 4 years, save that this time limit shall not apply to the Principal. Subject to remaining eligible to be a particular type of governor, any governor may be re-appointed or re-elected.

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of governors

Governors are inducted on appointment. Governors are inducted using school policies and procedures that clarify key areas of responsibility and critical policies such as safeguarding and child protection, health and safety, key strategic documents such as the school development plan and a 3 year strategic plan.

All governors are volunteers and give their time freely with no remuneration being paid to them for their role as governor.

Organisational structure

The governors delegate the general day to day running of the school to the Principal and the Senior Management Team. The governors are responsible for setting policy, strategic direction, approving the annual budget, monitoring the use of funding, capital expenditure and senior staff appointments. The organisational structure delegates certain decisions to school staff representatives depending on the level of expenditure. This scheme of delegation clarifies what decisions come to governors for approval. The Scheme of Delegation has been reviewed and revised during the year. The Principal acts as the Accounting Officer.

We have recruited a new school business and finance manager during the year, following the restructuring of the senior administration team. Following an increase in investment, there are now far more resources available in the business and administrative functions of the team in school.

Arrangements for setting pay and remuneration of key management personnel

Salaries are set for senior staff by the governing body in accordance with the pay policy approved by governors and are subject to successful annual performance management procedures. The Principal's salary is agreed by a panel of governors and is dependent upon her performance against annual performance management objectives.

Related parties and other connected charities and organisations

Little Angels Fun Club and Nursery Limited (Little Angels) is owned by Ian Wylie, a member of the school and husband of the Principal, Deborah Westhorpe-Wylie. From 3 September 2012 Little Angels have leased an area of the school premises to operate as a nursery and after school club. They are paying a market rent for the area occupied which has been assessed by an external valuation by a qualified surveyor. In addition, the organisation pays their share of the running costs of any facilities and services which they use.

Further details on the transactions between Cramlington Village Primary School and Little Angels can be found in note 25 to the accounts.

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Objectives and activities

Objects and aims

The aim of the free school is to provide a broad and balanced education to nursery and primary school aged children, as encompassed in a funding agreement with the Secretary of State for Education.

Objectives, strategies and activities

We support children up to the age of 11, by allowing them the freedom and time to direct their own learning, develop essential life skills such as collaboration, socialisation, independence and choice making and to discover the joy of learning. We believe strongly that our youngest age groups need opportunities to play and explore the world around them, focusing on developing skills that help them to become lifelong learners. This will ensure they are able to socialise and articulate their ideas, thoughts and feelings. We agree with the Steiner principle that the absence of pressure creates a positive relationship with the learning environment that allows for rapid learning and growth. This approach is in line with a recommendation of the Rose Review in 2009. Each child has a key worker throughout school who changes annually as they move into different year groups. Children experience a range of outdoor learning opportunities throughout the course of every day. During our initial consultation, many parents stated that their children did not enjoy the formal teaching structure from Y1 and agreed that they would benefit from a play based approach for longer. Recent research suggests that guiding children into formal learning structures at such a young age can create a sense of failure and disaffection that will continue with them throughout their school life. It is believed that many children of younger ages are unable to cope with the skills involved in this type of teaching and if forced to do so many fail, building up a negative attitude to school life that can be difficult to break down later.

We facilitate a sensitive transition to KS2, retaining the emphasis on developing life skills and working closely in line with the new National Curriculum 2014 for provision of literacy, numeracy and science. We ensure that our pupils move on to secondary school with at least the academic skills and attainment of their peers attending other local schools, but with an enhanced breadth of experiences and understanding of their own learning.

Every child has different strengths and interests. We allow opportunities for all children to achieve strong attainment and progress through a highly personalised curriculum. Children demonstrate the best levels of engagement when they are motivated and interested in the subjects being studied. Therefore we follow themed approaches to learning, allowing interest to develop and ensuring children are engaged, their learning is rich and the outcomes for them are optimised. Throughout KS1 and EYFS we promote an innovative play based curriculum, nurturing autonomous learners, promoting life skills such as problem solving, social skills and practical skills, supported by the innovative use of ICT.

We offer an holistic curriculum, that encourages extensive use of the outdoors throughout school. We prioritise communal family style mealtimes and healthy food, emphasising pastoral care, engagement with the local community, teaching important physical skills such as swimming and optimising attendance and continuity of learning through longer school days and better balanced term times.

We deliver all this by working in partnership with parents, family support agencies, extended services, local authorities and teacher training organisations.

Public benefit

In setting our objectives and planning our activities, the governors have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

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Achievements and performance

The school has stabilised its roll across the year at around 183 children with a new reception intake and is now in its fourth year of welcoming children of nursery age. To August 2020 there has been a wide range of significant successes which further embeds the school in the community and academic results which are benchmarked against national comparatives. This has been against the backdrop of the national pandemic this year which has given us many challenges to overcome in order to support the continuation of learning experiences.

Significant investment in training and development for staff and governors has taken place throughout the year. Staff have enjoyed training from literacy and numeracy consultants and have also organised visits to school from authors, forest school specialists, sports specialists and professional storytellers, to ensure that children receive a breadth of experiences, contributing to the development of reading and writing skills and using numbers in real life contexts. The school leadership continued to forge ahead prioritising oracy as a key skill to develop. Throughout lockdown those children educated remotely were given oracy based activities alongside the usual English, Maths and Science activities. There was additional support given for children's mental health through the use of carefully chosen tasks and activities delivered through the Seesaw portal that the school used effectively.

Our intake for September 2020 was finalised and saw the school welcoming an additional 30 pupils into reception, and to lose 16 pupils from Year 6 into secondary provision. There was mobility within the school year too but the overall school numbers have increased quite significantly from 169 last year to 183 this year (numbers correct in October 2020 excluding nursery aged children).

Governance is evolving and a new chair of governors has been appointed alongside the outgoing chair continuing to support the governing body with his experience. There has been a slight change in the profile of the governing body with new governors joining the team bringing additional skills not previously offered.

Examples of developments include the successful implementation of the new nursery/EYFS Storytelling Pod, funded by the DfE which was completed for the children to use from October 2020, following the successful grant application last year totalling £99k. The continued focus on reading has been supported by commissioning an online reading programme for every child in school to access which was implemented at the start of lockdown.

Throughout the year we have ensured a relentless focus on ensuring high quality outcomes for children. While the pandemic and national lockdown clearly presented many schools with challenges, parents told us that compared to many of their friends and work colleagues, the children at CVPS received strong online learning support. This was effectively tracked and provided strong learning opportunities with face to face contact with the children using the Seesaw portal.

Our innovative response to the situation saw a range of different control measures put in place with highly positive feedback from lead health and safety personnel about the quality of our Covid risk assessments as well as the reassurances we gave to families. This resulted in the school reopening fully to the children from all year groups from July 2020 for an additional 5 weeks. We were the only school in Northumberland to achieve this.

Key performance indicators

Ofsted reported from inspecting our school in September 2018 that we are a good school, according to the current framework with some tangible examples of excellent and inspirational practice across the school.

The position of data following the removal of the national programme of statutory assessment is not applicable to this report.

However we have collated data relating to the engagement of pupils in their online learning programme and have summarised that below:

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There is clear evidence of strong progress data mid year in February 2020 with some outstanding progress by individual pupils. The overall picture showed clearly that those pupils who are with us the longest achieve best. The position in terms of children's learning by the end of the academic year is far more difficult to position given that there was no definitive triangulated assessment either statutory or non statutory. The focus on the whole school return in July was very much on social and emotional wellbeing and getting children physically active after months at home.

Going concern

The Covid-19 pandemic had a significant impact on operations during the year, however the financial impact was not significant, with no change to the main funding streams, or to the majority of the school's cost base.

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

Financial review

The year ended 31 August 2020 is the end of the eighth year of operation as a free school. The school opened on 3 September 2012 with two classes, Reception and Year 1, and a total of 25 children and by 31 August 2020 we had seven classes including nursery and 183 children in attendance.

The principal source of funding for the school is the Education & Skills Funding Agency for both capital and revenue expenditure with additional funding being generated from the letting of part of the school building to a nursery, catering income, and parental donations to trips and activities. All expenditure has been used to support the key objectives and aims of the school. Funding from the Education & Skills Funding Agency for both capital and revenue expenditure is shown as restricted funds in the statement of financial activities.

The statement of financial activities shows that total income for the year was £1,110k (2019: £1,075k). £1,055k (2019: £983k) was funded from the Education & Skills Funding Agency and £55k (2019: £92k) was generated by the school from catering, lettings and sundry sales such as uniforms and staff time. A total deficit, excluding the restricted fixed asset fund and pension adjustments, has been generated of £23k in the year (2019: surplus of £54k).

Total funds held by the school at 31 August 2020 were £1,914k (2019: £2,021k) comprising £1,969k of restricted fixed asset funds (2019: £1,919k), £66k of restricted general funds (2019: £99k) and £161k of unrestricted funds (2019: £151k), offset by a pension reserve of £282k (2019: £148k). The balance on the restricted fixed asset fund represents the net book value of the fixed assets held by the academy trust.

Reserves policy

Governors have decided the current minimum level of cash held at any one time should equate to the monthly outgoings to which it is committed regarding fixed expenditure (i.e. salary costs). At 31 August 2020 bank and cash balances were in excess of this.

At 31 August 2020, expendable reserves totalled £227k (2019: £250k), which exceed the monthly payroll costs.

The governors will continue to review the level of reserves and establish a long term policy for building and maintaining reserves for the future.

Investment policy

The school opened an interest-bearing account so that it can maximise interest receivable on any cash balances which it holds as a result of grant payments received from the Education & Skills Funding Agency.

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Principal risks and uncertainties

The school has a comprehensive Risk Management Plan which outlines key risks associated with the school. There is a need to closely monitor finances as a small school. Systems and procedures to control costs and expenditure are robust, monitored by the governing body and reflect the key budget allocations throughout the year. The governors review the plan and the controls in place at least on an annual basis.

Fundraising

The academy trust does not carry out significant fundraising activities.

Plans for future periods

Governors will continue to pursue the aims and objectives of the school according to the prevailing circumstances. This is underpinned by the School Development Plan. Governors will continue to focus on:

- continuing to minimise disruption to learning due to the Covid-19 pandemic through proactive risk management;
- continuing to develop the educational facilities at the school within the constraints of the current and predicted funding levels;
- establishing the school in the local community and developing links not only with the local community but by supporting the wider education community in the area; and
- continuing to improve educational outcomes for the children using an innovative, stimulating approach.

Disclosure of information to auditors

Each of the persons who are governors at the time when this governors' report is approved has confirmed that:

- so far as that governor is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware; and
- that governor has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a governor in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charitable company's auditors are aware of that information.

Auditor

Pursuant to section 487 of the Companies Act 2006, the auditor will be deemed to be reappointed and UNW LLP will therefore continue in office.

The governors' report, incorporating a strategic report, was approved by order of the board of governors, as the company directors, on 21 January 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

Patsie Beaton (Chair of Trustees)

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Governance statement

Scope of responsibility

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

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

The board of governors has delegated the day-to-day responsibility to the Principal, as accounting officer, for ensuring financial controls conform with the requirements of both propriety and good financial management and in accordance with the requirements and responsibilities assigned to it in the funding agreement between Cramlington Village Primary Limited and the Secretary of State for Education. They are also responsible for reporting to the board of governors any material weaknesses or breakdowns in internal control.

Governance

The information on governance included here supplements that described in the governors' report and in the statement of governors' responsibilities. The board of governors has formally met 8 times during the year.

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

| Meetings attended | Out of a possible |
|-------------------|--|
| 8 | 8 |
| 8 | 8 |
| 7 | 8 |
| | |
| 0 | 1 |
| 8 | 8 |
| 7 | 8 |
| 6 | 8 |
| 0 | 2 |
| 1 | 1 |
| 2 | 3 |
| 3 | 6 |
| 6 | 6 |
| 8 | 8 |
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There have been a few changes in the composition of the governing body in the year, with new governors appointed in line with the trust's policies.

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Governance Statement (continued)

Governance (continued)

The Finance and Human Resources Committee is a sub-committee of the main board of governors. Its purpose is to monitor the financial position of the trust and to deal with any issues arising in the staffing of the operations.

Attendance during the year at meetings was as follows:

| Governor | Meetings attended | Out of a possible |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Patsie Beaton | 7 | 9 |
| Christopher Dale | 8 | 9 |
| Samantha Harrison | 2 | 2 |
| Alison Malcolm (Chair of committee) | 9 | 9 |
| Suzanne McGarva | 0 | 4 |
| Zoe Morrow | 0 | 3 |
| Deborah Westhorpe-Wylie | 9 | 9 |

The Education Committee is also a sub-committee of the main board of governors. Its purpose is to oversee the educational remit of the trust.

Attendance during the year at meetings was as follows:

| Governor | Meetings attended | Out of a possible |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Mark Atkinson | 5 | 6 |
| Patsie Beaton | 5 | 6 |
| Samantha Harrison | 2 | 6 |
| Alison Malcolm (Chair of committee) | 6 | 6 |
| Suzanne McGarva | 0 | 3 |
| Zoe Morrow | 2 | 3 |
| Irena Peel | 2 | 4 |
| Deborah Westhorpe-Wylie | 4 | 6 |
| Kirstin Mulholland Shipley | 2 | 2 |
| Margaret Shahin | 1 | 1 |

The Risk Committee is also a sub-committee of the main board of governors. Its purpose is to ensure the required governance structures are in place.

Attendance at meetings in the year was as follows:

| Governor | Meetings attended | Out of a possible |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|
| Mark Atkinson | 9 | 9 |
| Christopher Dale | 9 | 9 |
| Angela Hall | 9 | 9 |
| Samantha Harrison (Chair of committee) | 8 | 9 |
| Irena Peel | 0 | 5 |
| Deborah Westhorpe-Wylie | 4 | 9 |

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Governance Statement (continued)

Review of value for money

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

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

- making comparisons with other/similar schools using data provided by the Government, e.g. Raise-online, quality of teaching and learning, levels of expenditure, benchmarking comparators as sent through by the ESFA;
- challenging proposals, examining them for effectiveness, efficiency, and cost e.g. setting of annual pupil achievement targets, extended services provision;
- · requiring suppliers to compete on grounds of cost, and quality/suitability of services/products/backup; and
- consulting individuals and organisations on quality/suitability of services we provide to parents and pupils, and services we receive from providers, e.g. energy management.

The purpose of the system of internal control

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

Capacity to handle risk

The board of governors has reviewed the key risks to which the academy is exposed together with the operating, financial and compliance controls that have been implemented to mitigate those risks. The board of governors is of the view that there is a formal ongoing process for identifying, evaluating and managing the academy's significant risks that has been in place for the year 1 September 2019 to 31 August 2020 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements. This process is regularly reviewed by the board of governors.

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Governance Statement (continued)

The risk and control framework

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

- comprehensive budgeting and monitoring systems with an annual budget and periodic financial reports which are reviewed and agreed by the board of governors;
- regular reviews by the Principal of reports which indicate financial performance against the forecasts and of major purchase plans, capital works and expenditure programmes;
- setting targets to measure financial and other performance;
- clearly defined purchasing (asset purchase or capital investment) guidelines; and
- identification and management of risks.

The board of governors has decided to employ Armstrong Watson as internal auditor.

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

- review of committee meeting minutes;
- review of the monthly management accounts;
- review of the financial procedures manual;
- review of the risk register; and
- sample testing of purchase transactions, ensuring compliance with financial delegations.

On a semi-annual basis, the internal auditor reports to the board of governors on the operation of the systems of control and on the discharge of the governors' financial responsibilities.

The internal auditor has delivered their schedule of work as planned, with no material control issues arising as a result of the work undertaken.

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Governance Statement (continued)

Review of effectiveness

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

- the work of the reviewer;
- the work of the external auditor;
- the financial management and governance self-assessment process; and
- the work of the executive managers within the academy who have responsibility for the development and maintenance of the internal control framework.

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

Approved by order of the members of the board of governors on 21 January 2021 and signed on their behalf by:

Patsie Beaton Chair of Trustees **Deborah Westhorpe-Wylie** Accounting Officer

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Statement on regularity, propriety and compliance

As Accounting Officer of Cramlington Village Primary Limited I have considered my responsibility to notify the academy board of governors and the Education & Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) of material irregularity, impropriety and non-compliance with terms and conditions of all funding received by the academy, under the funding agreement in place between the academy and the Secretary of State for Education. As part of my consideration I have had due regard to the requirements of the Academies Financial Handbook 2019.

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

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

Deborah Westhorpe-Wylie

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Accounting Officer Date: 21 January 2021

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Statement of governors' responsibilities Year ended 31 August 2020

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

Company law requires the governors to prepare financial statements for each financial . Under company law, the governors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the governors are required to:

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

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

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

The governors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the corporate and financial information included on the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Approved by order of the members of the board of governors on 21 January 2021 and signed on its behalf by:

Patsie Beaton Chair of Trustees



Independent auditor's report on the financial statements to the members of Cramlington Village Primary Limited

Opinion

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

In our opinion the financial statements:

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

Basis for opinion

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

Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the governors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the governors have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the academy's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.



Independent auditor's report on the financial statements to the members of Cramlington Village Primary Limited (continued)

Other information

The governors 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 reference and administrative details, the governors' report including the strategic report, and the governance statement. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

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

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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

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

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

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

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



Independent auditor's report on the financial statements to the members of Cramlington Village Primary Limited (continued)

Responsibilities of governors

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

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

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

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

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the academy's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the academy's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the academy and its members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Arrow Hallowall

Anne Hallowell BSc FCA DChA (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of UNW LLP, Statutory Auditor Chartered Accountants

Newcastle upon Tyne

21 January 2021

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Independent reporting accountant's assurance report on regularity to Cramlington Village Primary Limited and the Education & Skills Funding Agency

In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 17 October 2018 and further to the requirements of the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) as included in the Academies Accounts Direction 2019 to 2020, we have carried out an engagement to obtain limited assurance about whether the expenditure disbursed and income received by Cramlington Village Primary Limited during the year 1 September 2019 to 31 August 2020 have been applied to the purposes identified by Parliament and the financial transactions conform to the authorities which govern them.

This report is made solely to Cramlington Village Primary Limited and ESFA in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to Cramlington Village Primary Limited and ESFA those matters we are required to state in a report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than Cramlington Village Primary Limited and ESFA, for our work, for this report, or for the conclusion we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of Cramlington Village Primary Limited's accounting officer and the reporting accountant

The accounting officer is responsible, under the requirements of Cramlington Village Primary Limited's funding agreement with the Secretary of State for Education dated 17 January 2011 and the Academies Financial Handbook, extant from 1 September 2019, for ensuring that expenditure disbursed and income received is applied for the purposes intended by Parliament and the financial transactions conform to the authorities which govern them.

Our responsibilities for this engagement are established in the United Kingdom by our profession's ethical guidance and are to obtain limited assurance and report in accordance with our engagement letter and the requirements of the Academies Accounts Direction 2019 to 2020. We report to you whether anything has come to our attention in carrying out our work which suggests that in all material respects, expenditure disbursed and income received during the year 1 September 2019 to 31 August 2020 have not been applied to purposes intended by Parliament or that the financial transactions do not conform to the authorities which govern them.

Approach

We conducted our engagement in accordance with the Academies Accounts Direction 2019 to 2020 issued by ESFA. We performed a limited assurance engagement as defined in our engagement letter.

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

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

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

The work undertaken to support our conclusion includes:

- testing a sample of expenditure to verify that the trust's procurement procedures have been followed for the items selected;
- testing a sample of payments to ensure that they are correctly authorised in accordance with the trust's policies;
- testing a sample of expenditure to verify that the nature of the spend is in line with funding agreements:
 and
- testing a sample of income and expenditure to ensure systems and controls are being implemented in line with the trust's policies.

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Independent reporting accountant's assurance report on regularity to Cramlington Village Primary Limited and the Education & Skills Funding Agency (continued)

Conclusion

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

Arrow Hallowall

Anne Hallowell BSc FCA DChA (Senior Statutory Auditor) for and on behalf of UNW LLP, Statutory Auditor Chartered Accountants
Newcastle upon Tyne

Date: 21 January 2021

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Statement of financial activities (incorporating income and expenditure account) Year ended 31 August 2020

| | Note | Unrestricted funds 2020 £ | Restricted funds 2020 | Restricted fixed asset funds 2020 | Total funds 2020 £ | Total funds (as restated) 2019 £ |
|---|------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| Income from: | | | | | | |
| Donations and capital grants | 3 | 3,366 | _ | 87,907 | 91,273 | 66,478 |
| Charitable activities | 4 | - | 966,904 | - | 966,904 | 948,026 |
| Other trading activities | 5 | 31,923 | 19,070 | - | 50,993 | 60,127 |
| Investments | 6 | 824 | - | - | 824 | 631 |
| Total income | | 36,113 | 985,974 | 87,907 | 1,109,994 | 1,075,262 |
| Expenditure on: Charitable activities | 7 | 25,991 | 1,031,017 | 69,979 | 1,126,987 | 1,129,124 |
| Total expenditure | | 25,991 | 1,031,017 | 69,979 | 1,126,987 | 1,129,124 |
| Net income/ | | | | | _ | |
| (expenditure) | | 10,122 | (45,043) | 17,928 | (16,993) | (53,862) |
| Transfers between funds | 16 | - | (32,160) | 32,160 | - | - |
| Net movement in funds before other recognised | | | | | | |
| gains/(losses) | | 10,122 | (77,203) | 50,088 | (16,993) | (53,862) |
| Actuarial losses on defined benefit pension schemes | 23 | - | (90,000) | <u>-</u> | (90,000) | (69,000) |
| Net movement in | - | | | | | |
| funds | | 10,122 | (167,203) | 50,088 | (106,993) | (122,862) |
| Reconciliation of funds: | | | | | | |
| Total funds brought forward | | 151,189 | (48,939) | 1,918,856 | 2,021,106 | 2,143,968 |
| Net movement in funds | | 10,122 | (167,203) | 50,088 | (106,993) | (122,862) |
| Total funds carried forward | | 161,311 | (216,142) | 1,968,944 | 1,914,113 | 2,021,106 |

The notes on pages 24 to 46 form part of these financial statements.

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Balance sheet At 31 August 2020

| | Note | | 2020 £ | | 2019 £ |
|---|-------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Fixed assets | 11010 | | ~ | | 2 |
| Tangible assets | 13 | | 1,968,944 | | 1,918,856 |
| Current assets | | | | | |
| Debtors | 14 | 155,610 | | 57,380 | |
| Cash at bank and in hand | | 175,965 | | 276,965 | |
| | | 331,575 | | 334,345 | |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year | 15 | (104,406) | | (84,095) | |
| Net current assets | | | 227,169 | | 250,250 |
| Total assets less current liabilities | | • | 2,196,113 | • | 2,169,106 |
| Defined benefit pension scheme liability | 23 | | (282,000) | | (148,000) |
| Total net assets including pension scheme liabilities | | | 1,914,113 | | 2,021,106 |
| Funds of the academy | | | | | |
| Restricted funds: | | | | | |
| Fixed asset funds | 16 | 1,968,944 | | 1,918,856 | |
| Restricted income funds | 16 | 65,858 | | 99,061 | |
| Restricted funds excluding pension asset | 16 | 2,034,802 | • | 2,017,917 | |
| Pension reserve | 16 | (282,000) | | (148,000) | |
| Total restricted funds | 16 | | 1,752,802 | | 1,869,917 |
| Unrestricted income funds | 16 | | 161,311 | | 151,189 |
| | | | | | |

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Balance sheet (continued) At 31 August 2020

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

The financial statements on pages 20 to 46 were approved by the governors, and authorised for issue on 21 January 2021 and are signed on their behalf, by:

Patsie Beaton

(Chair of Trustees)

The notes on pages 24 to 46 form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of cash flows Year ended 31 August 2020

| | Note | 2020 £ | 2019 £ |
|--|--------|-----------|-----------|
| Cash flows from operating activities | 18 | (69,664) | (15,188) |
| Cash flows from investing activities | 19 | (31,336) | 21,680 |
| Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year | | (101,000) | 6,492 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year | | 276,965 | 270,473 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year | 20, 21 | 175,965 | 276,965 |

The notes on pages 24 to 46 form part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the financial statements Year ended 31 August 2020

1. Accounting policies

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

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The academy is a private company limited by guarantee, incorporated in the United Kingdom and registered in England and Wales.

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

1.2 Going concern

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

The governors' conclusion is supported by the following:

At 31 August 2020, the academy had cash reserves of £175,965 and free reserves (i.e. excluding funds tied up in fixed assets and the pension reserve) of £227,169.

The governors have prepared cash flow forecasts for a period of at least one year from the date of authorisation for issue of the financial statements, based on their current best estimates and in line with the funding agreement in place with the Department for Education (DfE). They also take into consideration the potential impact of the Covid-19 pandemic. The cash flow forecasts show that the academy can maintain sufficient financial headroom for the foreseeable future.

As such, the trustees consider that the going concern basis of preparation remains appropriate.

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.3 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.

Grants are included in the statement of financial activities on a receivable basis. The balance of income received for specific purposes but not expended during the period is shown in the relevant funds on the balance sheet. Where income is received in advance of entitlement of receipt, its recognition is deferred and included in creditors as deferred income. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, the income is accrued.

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 recognised when there is entitlement and are not deferred over the life of the asset on which they are expended.

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, 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.

1.4 Expenditure

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

Expenditure on charitable activities 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.

All resources expended are inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.5 Tangible fixed assets

All assets which are expected to last for 2 years or more and cost more than £250 are capitalised.

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.

Tangible fixed assets are carried at cost, net of depreciation and any provision for impairment. Depreciation is not charged on freehold land. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Leasehold land and buildings
Leasehold improvements
- straight-line over 125 years
- straight-line over 50 years
- straight-line over 3 - 25 years
Computer equipment
- straight-line over 5 - 10 years

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.

1.6 Debtors

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

1.7 Cash at bank and in hand

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

1.8 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.

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.9 Financial instruments

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

Financial assets - trade and other debtors are basic financial instruments and are debt instruments measured at amortised cost as detailed in note 14. Prepayments are not financial instruments.

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

Financial liabilities - trade creditors, accruals and other creditors are financial instruments, and are measured at amortised cost as detailed in note 15. Taxation and social security are not included in the financial instruments disclosure definition. Deferred income is not deemed to be a financial liability, as the cash settlement has already taken place and there is an obligation to deliver services rather than cash or another financial instrument.

1.10 Taxation

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

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

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.11 Pensions

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

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

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

1.12 Fund accounting

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

Restricted fixed asset funds are resources which are to be applied to specific capital purposes imposed by the Department for Education 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 and include grants from the the Education & Skills Funding Agency.

Transfers relate to educational funds spent on equipment capitalised during the year, in line with the trust's capitalisation policies.

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2. Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgment

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

Critical accounting estimates and assumptions:

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

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

Critical areas of judgment:

The only significant area of judgment is the useful economic lives of fixed assets, details of which are given above.

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3. Income from donations and capital grants

| | Unrestricted funds 2020 £ | Restricted fixed asset funds 2020 £ | Total funds 2020 £ |
|-----------------------------|--|--|--|
| Donations | 3,366 | - | 3,366 |
| Capital grants | - | 87,907 | 87,907 |
| | 3,366 | 87,907 | 91,273 |
| Donations Capital grants | Unrestricted funds 2019 £ 31,162 | Restricted fixed asset funds (as restated) 2019 £ - 35,316 | Total funds (as restated) 2019 £ 31,162 35,316 |

Capital grants have been reclassified from funding for the academy's educational operations to income from donations and capital grants to more accurately reflect the nature of the income.

4. Funding for the academy's educational operations

| D&E/ESEA growto | Restricted funds 2020 £ | Total funds 2020 £ | Total funds (as restated) 2019 £ |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| DfE/ESFA grants | 705 474 | 705 474 | 722.070 |
| General annual grant (GAG) | 705,171 | 705,171 | 733,970 |
| Other DfE/ESFA income | 261,733 | 261,733 | 214,056 |
| | 966,904 | 966,904 | 948,026 |

Capital grants have been reclassified from funding for the academy's educational operations to income from donations and capital grants to more accurately reflect the nature of the income.

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| Income from | other trading | activities |
|-------------------------------|---------------|------------|
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|----|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | | Unrestricted funds 2020 £ | Restricted funds 2020 | Total funds 2020 £ |
| | Catering income | 9,577 | 19,070 | 28,647 |
| | Hire of facilities | 18,425 | - | 18,425 |
| | Other income | 3,921 | - | 3,921 |
| | | 31,923 | 19,070 | 50,993 |
| | | Unrestricted funds 2019 £ | Restricted funds 2019 | Total funds 2019 £ |
| | Catering income | 7,836 | 27,615 | 35,451 |
| | Hire of facilities | 17,541 | - | 17,541 |
| | Other income | 7,135 | - | 7,135 |
| | | 32,512 | 27,615 | 60,127 |
| 6. | Investment income | | | |
| | | Unrestricted funds 2020 £ | Total funds 2020 £ | Total funds 2019 £ |
| | Bank interest | 824 | 824 | 631 |

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| 7. | Expenditure | | | | |
|----|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|---|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| | | Staff costs 2020 £ | Premises 2020 £ | Other 2020 £ | Total 2020 £ |
| | Academy's educational operations: | | | | |
| | Direct costs | 697,503 | - | 110,906 | 808,409 |
| | Support costs | 177,609 | 67,809 | 73,160 | 318,578 |
| | | 875,112 | 67,809 | 184,066 | 1,126,987 |
| | | Staff costs 2019 £ | Premises 2019 £ | Other 2019 £ | Total 2019 £ |
| | Academy's educational operations: | | | | |
| | Direct costs | 642,520 | - | 158,539 | 801,059 |
| | Support costs | 182,447 | 64,694 | 80,924 | 328,065 |
| | | 824,967 | 64,694 | 239,463 | 1,129,124 |
| 8. | Analysis of expenditure by activities | | | | |
| | | | Activities undertaken directly 2020 £ | Support costs 2020 £ | Total funds 2020 £ |
| | Academy's educational operations | | 808,409 | 318,578 | 1,126,987 |
| | | | Activities undertaken directly 2019 £ | Support costs 2019 £ | Total funds 2019 £ |
| | Academy's educational operations | | 801,059 | 328,065 | 1,129,124 |
| | | | | | |

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8. Analysis of expenditure by activities (continued)

Analysis of support costs

| | Activities 2020 £ | Total funds 2020 £ | Total funds 2019 £ |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Pension interest cost | 3,000 | 3,000 | - |
| Staff costs | 175,435 | 175,435 | 182,447 |
| Depreciation | 24,715 | 24,715 | 24,852 |
| Recruitment and support | 7,624 | 7,624 | 5,574 |
| Maintenance of premises and equipment | 9,454 | 9,454 | 12,774 |
| Cleaning | 1,757 | 1,757 | 1,609 |
| Rent and rates | 7,961 | 7,961 | 7,267 |
| Energy | 23,922 | 23,922 | 19,801 |
| Catering | 24,715 | 24,715 | 28,450 |
| Other support costs | 24,192 | 24,192 | 30,069 |
| Governance costs | 15,803 | 15,803 | 15,222 |
| | 318,578 | 318,578 | 328,065 |

9. Net income/(expenditure)

Net income/(expenditure) for the year includes:

| | £ | £ |
|---------------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Depreciation of tangible fixed assets | 69,979 | 70,828 |
| Fees paid to auditor for: | | |
| - audit | 7,000 | 7,000 |
| - other services | 18,767 | 19,675 |
| | | |

2020

2019

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10. Staff

a. Staff costs

Staff costs during the year were as follows:

| | 2020 £ | 2019 £ |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Wages and salaries | 649,444 | 641,442 |
| Social security costs | 52,602 | 49,312 |
| Pension costs | 156,193 | 129,085 |
| | 858,239 | 819,839 |
| Agency staff costs | 16,873 | 2,828 |
| Staff restructuring costs | - | 2,300 |
| | 875,112 | 824,967 |
| Staff restructuring costs comprise: | | |
| Severance payments | | 2,300 |

b. Non-statutory/non-contractual staff severance payments

Included in staff restructuring costs are non-statutory/non-contractual severance payments totalling £nil (2019: £2,300)

c. Staff numbers

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

| | 2020 No. | 2019 No. |
|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Teachers | 10 | 12 |
| Management | 1 | 1 |
| Administration and support | 18 | 20 |
| | 29 | 33 |

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10. Staff (continued)

c. Staff numbers (continued)

The average headcount expressed as full-time equivalents was:

| | 2020 No. | 2019 No. |
|----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Teachers | 10 | 10 |
| Management | 1 | 1 |
| Administration and support | 14 | 16 |
| | 25 | 27 |

d. Higher paid staff

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

| | 2020 | 2019 |
|-------------------------------|------|------|
| | No. | No. |
| In the band £60,001 - £70,000 | 1 | _ |

e. Key management personnel

The total amount of employee benefits (including employer pension contributions and employer national insurance contributions) received by key management personnel for their services to the academy was £124,270 (2019: £94,329).

11. Governors' remuneration and expenses

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

| | | 2020 | 2019 |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | £ | £ |
| Deborah Westhorpe-Wylie, Principal | Remuneration | 65,000 - 70,000 | 50,000 - 55,000 |
| | Pension contributions paid | 15,000 - 20,000 | 5,000 - 10,000 |
| Angela Hall | Remuneration | 20,000 - 25,000 | 20,000 - 25,000 |
| | Pension contributions paid | 0 - 5,000 | 0 - 5,000 |

During the year retirement benefits were accruing to 1 governor (2019: 1) in respect of defined contribution pension schemes and 1 (2019: 1) governor in respect of defined benefit pension schemes.

During the year ended 31 August 2020, no governor expenses have been incurred (2019: £nil).

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12. Governors' and officers' insurance

In accordance with normal commercial practice, the academy has purchased insurance to protect Governors and officers from claims arising from negligent acts, errors or omissions occurring whilst on academy business. The insurance provides cover up to £10,000,000 on any one claim and the cost for the year ended 31 August 2020 was covered under the Risk Protection Arrangements for the academy. This was also true in 2019.

13. Tangible fixed assets

| | Long-term leasehold property £ | Assets under construction £ | Furniture and equipment £ | Computer equipment £ | Total £ |
|---------------------|---|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|------------|
| Cost or valuation | | | | | |
| At 1 September 2019 | 1,849,517 | - | 300,842 | 202,231 | 2,352,590 |
| Additions | - | 96,900 | 11,475 | 11,692 | 120,067 |
| At 31 August 2020 | 1,849,517 | 96,900 | 312,317 | 213,923 | 2,472,657 |
| Depreciation | | | | | |
| At 1 September 2019 | 165,896 | - | 109,079 | 158,759 | 433,734 |
| Charge for the year | 24,715 | - | 24,565 | 20,699 | 69,979 |
| At 31 August 2020 | 190,611 | - | 133,644 | 179,458 | 503,713 |
| Net book value | | | | | |
| At 31 August 2020 | 1,658,906 | 96,900 | 178,673 | 34,465 | 1,968,944 |
| At 31 August 2019 | 1,683,621 | - | 191,763 | 43,472 | 1,918,856 |

Included in long-term leasehold property is leasehold land at a valuation of £122,000 (2019: £122,000) which is not depreciated.

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| 14. | Debtors | | |
|-----|--|-----------|-----------|
| | | 2020 £ | 2019 £ |
| | Trade debtors | 14,528 | 11,531 |
| | Other debtors | 33,055 | 14,006 |
| | Prepayments and accrued income | 108,027 | 31,843 |
| | | 155,610 | 57,380 |
| 15. | Creditors: amounts falling due within one year | | |
| | | 2020 £ | 2019 £ |
| | Trade creditors | 18,132 | 20,468 |
| | Other taxation and social security | 14,971 | 11,315 |
| | Other creditors | 15,129 | 9,864 |
| | Accruals and deferred income | 56,174 | 42,448 |
| | | 104,406 | 84,095 |
| | | 2020 | 2019 |
| | | £ | £ |
| | Deferred income brought forward | 20,162 | 44,047 |
| | Resources deferred during the year | 38,336 | 20,162 |
| | Amounts released from previous periods | (20,162) | (44,047) |
| | Deferred income carried forward | 38,336 | 20,162 |

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16. Statement of funds

| | Balance at 1 September 2019 £ | Income £ | Expenditure £ | Transfers in/out £ | Gains/ (losses) £ | Balance at 31 August 2020 £ |
|------------------------------|--|-------------|------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Unrestricted funds | £ | £ | L | L | L | L |
| General funds | 151,189 | 36,113 | (25,991) | | | 161,311 |
| Restricted general funds | | | | | | |
| Restricted income funds | 99,061 | 985,974 | (987,017) | (32,160) | _ | 65,858 |
| Pension reserve | (148,000) | - | (44,000) | - | (90,000) | (282,000) |
| | (48,939) | 985,974 | (1,031,017) | (32,160) | (90,000) | (216,142) |
| Restricted fixed asset funds | | | | | | |
| Restricted fixed asset funds | 1,918,856 | 87,907 | (69,979) | 32,160 | | 1,968,944 |
| Total restricted funds | 1,869,917 | 1,073,881 | (1,100,996) | | (90,000) | 1,752,802 |
| Total funds | 2,021,106 | 1,109,994 | (1,126,987) | | (90,000) | 1,914,113 |

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

Restricted general funds

General Annual Grant (GAG) must be used for the running costs of the academy. Under the funding agreement with the Secretary of State, the academy was not subject to a limit on the amount of GAG it could carry forward at 31 August 2020. Other DfE/ESFA Grants includes the Pupil Premium and the Special Educational Needs funding received from the local authority.

Restricted fixed asset funds

The restricted fixed asset fund includes grants received for restricted capital expenditure. Transfers have been made to reflect spend on capital equipment not funded through capital grant. The closing balance on the restricted fixed asset fund represents the closing net book value of assets held by the academy at 31 August 2020 plus funding which was unspent at the year end.

Unrestricted funds

Unrestricted funds include income from all other non DfE/ESFA sources and may be applied to any charitable object of the academy trust at the discretion of the Governors.

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16. Statement of funds (continued)

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

| Unrestricted funds | Balance at 1 September 2018 £ | Income £ | Expenditure £ | Transfers in/out £ | Gains/ (losses) £ | Balance at 31 August 2019 £ |
|------------------------------|--|-------------|------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| | | | | | | |
| General funds | 116,618 | 64,305 | (29,734) | | | 151,189 |
| | | | | | | |
| Restricted general funds | | | | | | |
| Restricted income funds | 79,904 | 975,641 | (977,533) | 21,049 | - | 99,061 |
| Pension reserve | (28,000) | - | (51,000) | - | (69,000) | (148,000) |
| | 51,904 | 975,641 | (1,028,533) | 21,049 | (69,000) | (48,939) |
| Restricted fixed asset funds | | | | | | |
| Restricted fixed asset funds | 1,975,446 | 35,316 | (70,857) | (21,049) | - | 1,918,856 |
| Total restricted funds | 2,027,350 | 1,010,957 | (1,099,390) | - | (69,000) | 1,869,917 |
| Total funds | 2,143,968 | 1,075,262 | (1,129,124) | - | (69,000) | 2,021,106 |

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17. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current period

| | Unrestricted funds 2020 £ | Restricted funds 2020 | Restricted fixed asset funds 2020 | Total funds 2020 £ |
|--|------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Tangible fixed assets | - | _ | 1,968,944 | 1,968,944 |
| Current assets | 161,311 | 170,264 | - | 331,575 |
| Creditors due within one year | - | (104,406) | - | (104,406) |
| Provisions for liabilities and charges | - | (282,000) | - | (282,000) |
| Total | 161,311 | (216,142) | 1,968,944 | 1,914,113 |
| Analysis of net assets between funds - | prior period | | | |

| | Unrestricted funds 2019 £ | Restricted funds 2019 | Restricted fixed asset funds 2019 £ | Total funds 2019 £ |
|--|------------------------------------|-----------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| Tangible fixed assets | - | - | 1,918,856 | 1,918,856 |
| Current assets | 151,189 | 183,156 | - | 334,345 |
| Creditors due within one year | - | (84,095) | - | (84,095) |
| Provisions for liabilities and charges | - | (148,000) | - | (148,000) |
| Total | 151,189 | (48,939) | 1,918,856 | 2,021,106 |

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| 18. | Reconciliation of net expenditure to net cash flow from operating activate | vities | |
|-----|--|--------------|--------------|
| | | 2020 £ | 2019 £ |
| | Net expenditure for the period (as per statement of financial activities) | (16,993) | (53,862) |
| | Adjustments for: | | |
| | Depreciation charges | 69,979 | 70,857 |
| | Capital grants from DfE and other capital income | (87,907) | (35,316) |
| | Dividends, interest and rents from investments | (824) | (631) |
| | Defined benefit pension scheme cost less contributions payable | 44,000 | 51,000 |
| | (Increase)/decrease in debtors | (98,230) | 13,480 |
| | Increase/(decrease) in creditors | 20,311 | (60,716) |
| | Net cash used in operating activities | (69,664) | (15,188) |
| 19. | Cash flows from investing activities | | |
| | | 2020 £ | 2019 £ |
| | Dividends, interest and rents from investments | 824 | 631 |
| | Purchase of tangible fixed assets | (120,067) | (14,267) |
| | Capital grants from DfE Group | 87,907 | 35,316 |
| | Net cash (used in)/provided by investing activities | (31,336) | 21,680 |
| 20. | Analysis of cash and cash equivalents | | |
| | | 2020 | 2019 |
| | Cash in hand | £ 175,965 | £ 276,965 |
| | Total cash and cash equivalents | 175,965 | 276,965 |
| | | | |

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21. Analysis of changes in net debt

| | | At 1 September 2019 £ | Cash flows £ | At 31 August 2020 £ |
|-----|--|--------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------|
| | Cash at bank and in hand | 276,965 | (101,000) | 175,965 |
| | | 276,965 | (101,000) | 175,965 |
| 22. | Capital commitments | | | |
| | | | 2020 £ | 2019 £ |
| | Contracted for but not provided in these financial statement | ents | | |
| | Acquisition of tangible fixed assets | | 17,106 | |

23. Pension commitments

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

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

Contributions amounting to £14,895 were payable to the schemes at 31 August 2020 (2019 - £9,608) and are included within creditors.

Teachers' Pension Scheme

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

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

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23. Pension commitments (continued)

Valuation of the Teachers' Pension Scheme

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

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

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

The employer's pension costs paid to TPS in the year amounted to £88,000 (2019 - £54,000).

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

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

Local Government Pension Scheme

The LGPS is a funded defined benefit pension scheme, with the assets held in separate trustee-administered funds. The total contribution made for the year ended 31 August 2020 was £35,000 (2019 - £33,000), of which employer's contributions totalled £26,000 (2019 - £24,000) and employees' contributions totalled £ 9,000 (2019 - £9,000). The agreed contribution rates for future years are 14.6 per cent for employers and 5.5 - 5.8 per cent for employees.

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

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

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| 23. Pension commitments (c | continued) |
|----------------------------|------------|
|----------------------------|------------|

Principal actuarial assumptions

| 2020 | 2019 |
|------|------------------------|
| % | % |
| 3.7 | 3.5 |
| 2.2 | 2.0 |
| 1.7 | 1.9 |
| 2.2 | 2.0 |
| | % 3.7 2.2 1.7 |

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

| Teals Retiring today Males 21.8 21.9 Females 25.0 23.8 Retiring in 20 years Males 23.5 23.6 Females 26.8 25.7 Sensitivity analysis 2020 | | 2020 Years | 2019 Years |
|---|--|---------------|---------------|
| Males 21.8 21.9 Females 25.0 23.8 Retiring in 20 years Males 23.5 23.6 Females 26.8 25.7 Sensitivity analysis 2020 2019 £000 £000 £000 Discount rate +0.1% 547 379 Discount rate -0.1% 588 403 Mortality assumption - 1 year increase 547 378 Mortality assumption - 1 year decrease 587 404 CPI rate +0.1% 568 393 | Retiring today | ieais | 1 Cais |
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| Retiring in 20 years Males 23.5 23.6 Females 26.8 25.7 Sensitivity analysis 2020 £000 2019 £000 £000 Discount rate +0.1% 547 379 Discount rate -0.1% 588 403 Mortality assumption - 1 year increase 547 378 Mortality assumption - 1 year decrease 587 404 CPI rate +0.1% 568 393 | | | |
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| 2020 £000 2019 £000 £000 £000 Discount rate +0.1% 547 379 Discount rate -0.1% 588 403 Mortality assumption - 1 year increase 547 378 Mortality assumption - 1 year decrease 587 404 CPI rate +0.1% 568 393 | Females | | |
| 2020 £000 2019 £000 £000 £000 Discount rate +0.1% 547 379 Discount rate -0.1% 588 403 Mortality assumption - 1 year increase 547 378 Mortality assumption - 1 year decrease 587 404 CPI rate +0.1% 568 393 | Sanaitivity analysis | | |
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| Discount rate +0.1% 547 379 Discount rate -0.1% 588 403 Mortality assumption - 1 year increase 547 378 Mortality assumption - 1 year decrease 587 404 CPI rate +0.1% 568 393 | | | |
| Discount rate -0.1% 588 403 Mortality assumption - 1 year increase 547 378 Mortality assumption - 1 year decrease 587 404 CPI rate +0.1% 568 393 | | £000 | £000 |
| Mortality assumption - 1 year increase547378Mortality assumption - 1 year decrease587404CPI rate +0.1%568393 | Discount rate +0.1% | 547 | 379 |
| Mortality assumption - 1 year decrease 587 404 CPI rate +0.1% 568 393 | Discount rate -0.1% | 588 | 403 |
| CPI rate +0.1% 568 393 | Mortality assumption - 1 year increase | 547 | 378 |
| | Mortality assumption - 1 year decrease | 587 | 404 |
| CPI rate -0.1% 566 389 | CPI rate +0.1% | 568 | 393 |
| | CPI rate -0.1% | 566 | 389 |

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| Pension commitments (continued) | | |
|--|-----------|-----------|
| Share of scheme assets | | |
| The academy's share of the assets in the scheme was: | | |
| | 2020 £ | 2019 £ |
| Equities | 152,475 | 158,679 |
| Government bonds | 6,840 | 44,955 |
| Corporate bonds | 65,265 | 17,739 |
| Property | 26,220 | 8,991 |
| Cash and other liquid assets | 5,415 | 729 |
| Other | 28,785 | 11,907 |
| Total market value of assets | 285,000 | 243,000 |
| The actual return on scheme assets was £8,000 (2019 - £16,000). | | |
| The amounts recognised in the Statement of financial activities are as follows | :: | |
| | 2020 | 2019 |
| | £ | £ |
| Current service cost | (67,000) | (51,000 |
| Past service cost | - | (24,000 |
| Interest income | 5,000 | 6,000 |
| Interest cost | (8,000) | (6,000 |
| Total amount recognised in the statement of financial activities | (70,000) | (75,000 |
| Changes in the present value of the defined benefit obligations were as follow | /s: | |
| | 2020 £ | 2019 £ |
| Opening defined benefit obligation | 391,000 | 224,000 |
| Current service cost | 67,000 | 51,000 |
| Interest cost | 8,000 | 6,000 |
| Employee contributions | 9,000 | 9,000 |
| Actuarial losses | 93,000 | 79,000 |
| Benefits paid | (1,000) | (2,000 |
| Past service cost | - | 24,000 |
| Closing defined benefit obligation | 567,000 | 391,000 |
| - | | |

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23. Pension commitments (continued)

Changes in the fair value of the academy's share of scheme assets were as follows:

| | 2020 £ | 2019 £ |
|-------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Opening fair value of scheme assets | 243,000 | 196,000 |
| Interest income | 5,000 | 6,000 |
| Actuarial gains | 3,000 | 10,000 |
| Employer contributions | 26,000 | 24,000 |
| Employee contributions | 9,000 | 9,000 |
| Benefits paid | (1,000) | (2,000) |
| Closing fair value of scheme assets | 285,000 | 243,000 |

24. Members' liability

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

25. Related party transactions

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

The following related party transactions took place in the financial period:

Little Angels Fun Club and Nursery Limited is a related party as it is a company in which Deborah Westhorpe-Wylie (principal and governor) and Ian Wylie (member) have a majority interest.

Cramlington Village Primary Limited charged Little Angels Fun Club and Nursery Limited for rent, meals provided, utilities costs and staff time totalling £26,947 (2019: £24,604).

Included in trade debtors at the year end is £10,585 (2019: £1,333) due from Little Angels Fun Club and Nursery Limited.

Governors' remuneration and expenses are disclosed in note 11.