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THE OLD EDWARDIANS' ASSOCIATION FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31 DECEMBER 2008





DIRECTORS' REPORT

31 DECEMBER 2008

The general committee presents its report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2008.

Statement of officers' responsibilities

The officers are responsible for preparing the Annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the officers to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the officers have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Company and of the profit or loss of the company for that year. In preparing these financial statements, the officers are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Company will continue in business.

The officers are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Company and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Principal activity

The principal activity of the company is the promotion of fellowship among former pupils and those connected with the school of King Edward the Sixth in Birmingham. This continues, and there is additionally an increasingly close rapport with the School engendered by the happy coincidence of now having an enthusiastic Old Edwardian as Chief Master.

Report of the General Committee for 2008

The General Committee is pleased to present its report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2008. The Committee has not afforded a current market valuation of the Freehold Land and Buildings shown in the Financial Statements as at the 31 December 2008 as it does not consider that the cost of making such a valuation would be justified in the context of the usefulness of the information provided.

The principal activity of the Association has been the promotion of fellowship among former pupils of, and those connected with, King Edward's School, Birmingham. The closer links with the School, alluded to in last year's report, were built upon with the new administrative arrangements approved at the Annual General Meeting ('AGM'). As a result the School, through its new development director, Simon Lerwill, is now organising and managing the Association's activities, its database, its website, its events and the publication of the Gazette. Simon's skills and energy are already evident in discussions at Committee meetings, and the investment made by the School for state-of-the-art database technology is something the Association alone would have found a challenge.

The Committee has met five times during the financial year. The AGM was held on 10 September 2008. All normal business was conducted, the proposals mentioned above were unanimously approved, and we enjoyed the unashamedly enthusiastic report from the Chief Master about recent activities and aspirations for the School. Of particular note were the strongly improving academic results and the exciting but welcome challenge of shifting wholesale to the International Baccalaureat.

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Report of the General Committee for 2008 (continued)

The abbreviated Spring edition of the Gazette was followed up by the finished article before Christmas, for which I congratulate Michael Parslew and our printers Hill Shorter. It really is a new look for a new era.

The Biennial Dinner in September was a little light on numbers, but Peter Grant had his audience transfixed. It was an evening to be a proud OE. As in 2007, we hope to have a less formal event his year, details to follow. The Annual Supper at the Memorial Ground was again a springboard for Christmas, and the London Old Edwardians Dinner was redolent of the Biennial – slightly lighter numbers but a fabulous speech from Paul Gompertz.

The Committee's policy to assist pupils past and present to broaden their horizons has continued, and we are especially pleased that the new arrangements should allow the Association's surplus income to help widen access to the school through the Assisted Places Scheme.

The drainage works at the Memorial Ground are nearing completion and, given the volume of water coming off, should have the desired effect. We look forward to hearing of sporting successes and increasing club activity now that aquatics are off the menu.

Directors

The directors for the company during the year were as follows:

A Baxter M Baxter J P N Martin

Provision of information to auditors

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

- so far as the director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Company's auditors are unaware, and
- that director has taken all steps that ought to have been taken as a director in order to be aware of any information needed by the Company's auditors in connection with preparing their report and to establish that the Company's auditors are aware of that information.

Auditors

The auditors, Clement Keys, will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with section 485 of the Companies Act 2006.

The report of the directors has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies.

his report was approved by the board on 6 April 2009 and signed on its behalf.

P N Martin Chairman

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE OLD EDWARDIANS' ASSOCIATION

We have audited the financial statements of The Old Edwardians' Association for the year ended 31 December 2008,set out on pages 5 to 10. These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out therein and the requirements of the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007).

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditors' report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of the officers and auditors

The directors' responsibilities for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out in the statement of directors' responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland).

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you whether in our opinion the information given in the directors' report is consistent with the financial statements.

In addition we report to you if, in our opinion, the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding directors' remuneration and other transactions is not disclosed.

We read the directors' report and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements within it.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud, other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE OLD EDWARDIANS' ASSOCIATION

Opinion

In our opinion:

- the financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 December 2008 and of its profit for the year then ended;
- the financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985;
 and
- the information given in the directors' report is consistent with the financial statements.

Clement Keys

Chartered Accountants Registered Auditors

39/40 Calthorpe Road Edgbaston Birmingham B15 1TS

6 April 2009

BALANCE SHEET

AT 31 DECEMBER 2008

	Note	£	2008	£	2007 £
Fixed assets		£	£	£	£.
Tangible fixed assets Investments	2 3		43,288 415,433		43,288 381,797
Current assets Loan to Old Edwardians Sports Club Limited (of which £Nil (2007 £1,000)			458,721		425,085
is due in more than one year) Stock Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	4	1,000 1,545 433 50,849		2,000 470 800 57,309	
		53,827		60,579	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	5	(34,068)		(17,523)	
Net current assets			19,759		43,056
Total assets less current liabilities			478,480		468,141
Capital and reserves Parental contribution fund Ground appeal fund Other reserves Genera fund	6 7 8 9		300,849 43,288 5,012 129,331		294,098 43,288 5,012 125,743
			478,480		468,141

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007).

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the board and signed on its behalf on 6 April 2009.

JPN Martin Chairman

The notes on pages 8 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2008

	Note	£	2008 £	£	2007 £
Income Subscriptions Interest and dividends received Donations received	11	-	6,239 23,592 100	L	6,259 16,998
Expenditure Gazettes Less advertising receipts		10,642	29,931	6,989 (540) 6,449	23,257
Postages Printing and stationery King Edward's School Prize Donations to Old Edwardians Sports Cl Other donations Deficit on social events Incidentals Computer charges Auditors' remuneration Professional fees	ub Ltđ	2,900 2,123 100 18,941 1,050 465 673 1,601 719 259		2,869 948 100 914 800 257 415 1,916 705 1,536	
Other income			<u>39,473</u> (9,542)		16,909 6,348
Transfer from Parental Contribution fund Profit on disposal of investments	6	10,794 <u>5,902</u>	<u>16,696</u>	10,444 <u>9,997</u>	20,441
Surplus for the year before taxation			7,154		26,789
Taxation	10		(3,566)		(3,609)
Surplus for year	9		3,588		23,180

RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN FUNDS AND RESERVES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2008

	2008 £	2007 £
Surplus for the year	3,588	23,180
Parental contributions retained in year	6,751	15,744
Increase in funds and reserves in year	10,339	38,924
Balances brought forward	468,141	429,217
Balances carried forward	478,480	468,141
		

Income and surplus derive wholly from continuing operations.

There were no recognised gains and losses for 2008 or 2007 other than those included in the income and expenditure account.

The notes on pages 8 to 10 form part of these financial statements.

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Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The financial statements of the company are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007).

The Association is a company limited by guarantee which does not trade with a view to making profits and therefore the results of the year have been presented in the form of an Income and Expenditure Account because the Committee is of the opinion that this is the most appropriate format.

Freehold Land and Buildings

Depreciation is not provided on the land element of freehold property. It would be provided on the estimated buildings value, in order to write off the cost less its estimated residual value over the expected useful life. However, the residual value is considered by the Committee to be in excess of the cost.

Income

Subscriptions are not credited to the income and expenditure account until the year in which they are received. Advance and life subscriptions are carried forward over an appropriate number of years and are included in creditors. Life subscriptions under the scheme introduced in 1993 are carried forward over 12 years.

Parental contributions are credited directly to the appropriate reserve account. These funds are transferred to the Income and Expenditure Account when the pupils to whom the contributions relate become members of the Association.

2	Tangible fixed assets	2008	2007
	Freehold land and buildings at Streetsbrook Road, Solihull at cost at 1 January 2008	£	£
	and 31 December 2008	43,288	43,288

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3	Investments	2008	2007
	Cost At 1 January 2008 Additions Disposals	£ 381,797 56,364 (22,728)	£ 365,753 40,515 (24,471)
	At 31 December 2008	415,433	381,797
	The middle market value is	412,228	539,020
4	Loan to Old Edwardians Sports Club Limited Loans bearing interest at a rate equal to that on Barclays Bank plc high interest business accounts	2008 £	2007 £
	repayable as follows: within one year within 2-5 years	1,000	1,000 1,000 ————————————————————————————
5	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	2008 £	2007 £
	Commuted subscriptions Accruals	7,198 26,870 34,068	8,233 9,290 17,523
6	Parental contribution fund		2008
	At 1 January 2008 Received in year Transfer to Income and Expenditure account		£ 294,098 17,545 (10,794)
	At 31 December 2008		300,849

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7	Ground Appeal Fund	2008 £	2007 £
	At 1 January 2008 and 31 December 2008	43,288	43,288
8	Other reserves	2008 £	2007 £
	Browett Fund at 1 January 2008 and 31 December 2008	5,012	5,012
9	General fund		2008 £
	At 1 January 2008 Surplus for the year		125,743 3,588
	At 31 December 2008		129,331
10	Taxation	2008 £	2007 £
	UK corporation tax charge on profits for the year Tax credit on franked investment income Over provision for previous year	1,896 1,670	2,356 1,256 (3)
		3,566	3,609

There were no factors that affected the tax charge for the year which has been calculated on the profits not exempt from mutual trading at the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK of 20.75% (2007 - 19.75%).

There are no factors that may affect future tax charges.

11 Interest and dividends received

Interest and dividends received include £ 17,372 (2007 - £12,259) in respect of listed investments.