Company Number: 2303464

Charity Number: 328080

DIXONS CITY TECHNOLOGY COLLEGE CHARITABLE TRUST (A company limited by Guarantee)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 1997



PANNELL KERR FORSTER Chartered Accountants

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 1997

Governors

Dr Edward Simpson CB (Chairman)

Sir Stanley Kalms

Mohammed Ali (appointed 24.4.97)

Richard Andrews Anthony Bishop

Geoffrey Budd (appointed 28.4.97)

Peter Flesher
John Hanson
Pat Inglis
Guy Kitchen
Marion le Pla
David Longbottom

Nina Lowe (resigned 10.12.96)

Dr Janice McCurrie

Gita North Tim Ratcliffe John Ridings

Professor Imad Torsun

Jo Williams

Secretary

Geoffrey Budd

Registered Office

Dixons House Maylands Avenue Hemel Hempstead Hertfordshire HP2 7TG

Company Registration

Number:

2303464

Charity Registration

Number:

328080

Bankers

The Co-operative Bank Plc

6 Tyrrel Street BRADFORD BD1 1RJ

Solicitors

Read Hind Stewart Trafalgar House 29 Park Place LEEDS LS1 2SP

Auditors

Pannell Kerr Forster

Chartered Accountants

6 Queen Street

LEEDS LS1 2TW

REPORT OF THE GOVERNORS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 1997

The Governors (who are the trustees of the charitable company for the purposes of charity law) submit their annual report and the audited financial statements of the College for the year ended 31 August 1997.

RESULTS FOR THE YEAR

The excess of income over expenditure for the year was £122,502; £15,000 has been transferred to the Premises Fund to facilitate the continued development of the College. The resulting surplus of £107,502 has been added to the General Purpose Fund.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES AND OBJECTIVES

The principal activities and objectives of the College are the advancement of public education.

REVIEW OF RESULTS AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The College's Sixth Form is now complete and the full student roll stands at 1050.

No major capital projects were undertaken during the year although further investments were made in Information and Communications Technologies with the installation of a 2 megabit cable link, providing external E-mail and Internet access for all students. The College's computer software was upgraded to Windows '95 and Office '97 and integrated learning skills enhanced in languages and key skills through the introduction of new software packages.

The Governors remain highly satisfied with all aspects of the performance and demeanour of students and staff. Outstanding public examination results at both GCSE and "A" levels were achieved by the students. They are also satisfied with the funding position as at 31 August 1997 and consider the College to be soundly based for the new financial year.

With the continued support of the Dixons Group in the form of a new four-year covenant, the College plans to invest in the next stage of the "Vision" during the forthcoming year, with major alterations to the Library. A lift is also to be installed to provide disabled students with access to the College's upper floor.

FIXED ASSETS

Details of changes in fixed assets are given in note 10 to the financial statements.

GOVERNORS

The Governors who held office during the year are set out on page 1.

The College Governors function with a Finance Committee. At the year end its members were:

Richard Andrews (Chairman)
Sir Stanley Kalms
Geoffrey Budd
Peter Flesher
Guy Kitchen
David Longbottom
Gita North
Tim Ratcliffe
John Ridings
Dr Edward Simpson CB

REPORT OF THE GOVERNORS (continued)

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 1997

STATUS

The College is a company limited by guarantee and is a registered charity. As a result of charitable status it is exempt from UK corporation taxation.

AUDITORS

The auditors Pannell Kerr Forster, Chartered Accountants, have signified their willingness to continue in office. A resolution to reappoint them will be proposed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

By ofder of the Board of Governors

Date: 11 December 1997

G Budd

DIXONS CITY TECHNOLOGY COLLEGE CHARITABLE TRUST STATEMENT OF GOVERNORS' RESPONSIBILITIES

Company law requires the Governors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the College and of the surplus or deficit of the College for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Governors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- ensure grants received from the Department for Education and Employment have been applied for the purpose intended;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the College will continue in business.

The Governors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the College and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They also have general responsibility for taking such steps as are reasonably open to them to safeguard the assets of the College and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS



YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 1997

We have audited the financial statements on pages 6 to 19 which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out on pages 10 and 11.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF GOVERNORS AND AUDITORS

As described on page 4 the College's Governors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

BASIS OF OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with Auditing Standards. 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 Governors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the College'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 or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

OPINION

In our opinion:

- a) the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the College at 31 August 1997, and of its income and expenditure for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.
- b) the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting and Annual Accounts Requirements issued by the Department for Education and Employment in respect of the relevant financial year;
- c) proper accounting records have been kept by the College throughout the relevant financial year;
- d) grants made by the Department for Education and Employment have been applied for the purposes intended;
- e) we are satisfied that the College's systems of internal controls are such as to comply with the obligations placed on the governing body by the Secretary of State for Education and Employment and we have not identified any material weaknesses.

Kerr Lorstan

Chartered Accountants

Registered Auditors

Leeds
23 December 1997

DIXONS CITY TECHNOLOGY COLLEGE CHARITABLE TRUST STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 1997

	U Notes	Inrestricted funds	l Restricted funds	Endowr (private)	nent funds (public) £	Total 1997 £	Total 1996 £
Incoming resources Grants receivable			3,176,293		18 850	3,195,152	3 128 300
Capital sponsorship	3	_	3,170,293	- 98,788	10,037	98,788	141,833
Less: transferred to	3	_	-	70,700		70,700	111,055
capital fund	14	_	-	(98,788)	(18,859)	(117,647)	(248,311)
Investment income	4	16,719	23,015		-	39,734	23,908
Other income	4	114,833	_	•	-	114,833	71,218
Amortisation transfer	14	-	-	94,134	376,534	470,668	449,260
Total incoming resources		131,552	3,199,308	94,134	376,534	3,801,528	3,566,298
Resources expended Direct charitable expenditu Provision of education Support costs Other expenditure:	re:	34,653 -	2,472,505 349,532	-	-	2,507,158 349,532	2,366,787 266,046
Educational, management and administration Premises		<u></u> -	528,155 294,181	 -	-	528,155 294,181	568,445 283,485
Total resources expended	5	34,653	3,644,373	-	<u>-</u>	3,679,026	3,484,763
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfer Transfer between funds Amortisation transfer	s 14	96,899 (5,000) -	(445,065) 5,000 470,668	-	376,534 - (376,534)	122,502	81,535 - -
Net movement in funds		91,899	30,603	-	-	122,502	81,535
Fund balances brought forward at 1 September 19	96	199,930	11,002	-	_	210,932	129,397
Fund balances carried forward at 31 August 199	15/ 97 16		41,605	-	-	333,434	210,932

The Statement of Financial Activities analyses all the capital and income resources and expenditures of the College during the year and reconciles the movements in funds. Further analysis of the income and expenditure for the year is shown on page 7 and the overall financial position at the year end is summarised in the balance sheet on page 8.

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 1997

]	Notes	1997	1996
		£	£
INCOME			
Annual per capita grant	2	3,176,293	3,021,912
Other income	4	154,567	95,126
Amortisation of capital grant	14	470,668	449,260
		3,801,528	3,566,298
EXPENDITURE			
Annual per capita grant related expenditure	2	3,141,103	2,979,313
Private sector income related expenditure		29,005	21,940
Depreciation		508,918	483,510
		3,679,026	3,484,763
EXCESS OF INCOME OVER			
EXPENDITURE - BEFORE TRANSFERS	19	122,502	81,535
TRANSFERS TO:			
GENERAL PURPOSE FUND: Restricted	15	30,603	5,784
Unrestricted	16	76,899	65,751
		107,502	71,535
PREMISES FUND	16	15,000	10,000
		122,502	81,535

The Income and Expenditure account is derived from the Statement of Financial Activities on page 6 which, together with the notes to the accounts on pages 10 to 20 provides full information on the movements during the year on all the funds of the College.

All items dealt with in arriving at the excess of income over expenditure for 1997 and 1996 relate to continuing operations.

The College has no recognised gains or losses other than those included in the above results and therefore no separate statement of gains and losses has been presented.

BALANCE SHEET

31 AUGUST 1997

	TAT 4		1997	19	96
	Note	es £	£	£	£
TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	10		8,353,296		8,691,636
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stock	11	<u>-</u>		7,778	
Debtors	12	6,569		14,318	
Prepayments and accrued income Cash at bank and in hand		41,843 670,949		49,555 577,613	
Cash at bank and in hand					
		719,361		649,264	
LESS: CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Amounts falling due within					
one year Trade creditors		60,073		68,336	
Other creditors	13	91,500		96,258	
Accruals and deferred income		186,695		211,398	
		338,268		375,992	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			381,093		273,272
DEFERRED INCOME	14		(8,400,955)		(8,753,976)
NET ASSETS			333,434	:	210,932
FINANCED BY:					
FUNDS					
Restricted funds	15		41,605		11,002
Unrestricted fund	16		226,829		149,930
Premises fund	16		65,000	<u>-</u>	50,000
	10		333 434		210,932
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E Simpson Gov	ernor				

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 1997

	Notes		997		996
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		£	£	£	£
RECEIPTS					
Recurrent grants received from DfEE:					
Annual per capita grant Other receipts from DfEE			3,148,493 45,534		3,049,712 23,243
Other receipts Other receipts			64,351		41,199
PAYMENTS					
Staff costs Other operating expenses			(2,460,683) (685,884)		(2,186,324) (762,470)
NET CASH INFLOW			(003,004)		(702,470)
FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	18		111,811		165,360
ACTIVITIES	10		111,011		105,500
RETURNS ON INVESTMENT AND SERVICING OF					
FINANCE					
Interest received			35,134		23,908
CAPITAL EXPENDITURE					
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets		(188,368)		(192,251)	
Receipts from sales of tangible		(100,500)		(1)2,231)	
fixed assets		17,112	(171,256)	11,125	(181,126)
			(171,230)		(101,120)
FINANCING Capital grants from DfEE		18,859		106,478	
Support from sponsors		98,788		135,353	
-			117,647		241,831
NET INCREASE IN CASH AT BANK AND IN HAN	D		93,336		249,973
CASH AT BANK AND IN HAN	D				
BROUGHT FORWARD AT THE BEGINNING OF THE					
YEAR			577,613		327,640
CASH AT BANK AND IN HAN	D				
AT THE END OF THE YEAR			670,949	:	577,613

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 1997

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Accounting convention

The accounts are prepared in accordance with the historical cost convention and also in accordance with DfEE accounting requirements. DfEE accounting requirements vary in format from those of the Companies Act 1985 and have been applied where special circumstances exist. The format has also been adapted to provide information which complies with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) Accounting by Charities.

The company is exempt from the requirement to prepare group accounts on the basis that it is a medium sized group. The financial statements relate to this company only.

(b) Income and Expenditure

Income is the total amount of income receivable by the College for the year. Expenditure is charged to the Income and Expenditure account on an accruals basis.

(c) Grants

Revenue grants received are released to revenue during the year in which the expenditure to which they relate is incurred. Capital grants are credited to a separate fund.

In accordance with the charities SORP expenditure has been analysed between direct charitable and other expenditure. The only activity undertaken by the College is the operation of the College and indirect charitable expenditure reflects the costs of management, administration and fundraising necessary for the operation of the College. Items of expenditure which involve more than one cost category have been apportioned on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis for the cost category concerned, these include:

Cost category

Maintenance of Premises

Depreciation

Basis of apportionment

Capacity of accommodation utilised Capacity of accommodation utilised

(d) Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is calculated to write off the cost of tangible fixed assets over their estimated useful lives as follows:

Freehold land
Freehold buildings
Plant and machinery
Furniture and equipment
Computer equipment
and installed software
Motor vehicles

Nil

1.67% - 10% straight line 10% straight line

10%-25% - straight line

25% straight line 25% reducing balance

Software purchased independently of computers is written off in the year of purchase.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 1997

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(e) Taxation

Under S360 Taxes Act 1970 the College is not liable to corporation taxation. The cost of Value Added Tax incurred by the College has been included in the Income and Expenditure Account.

(f) Capital Expenditure

Funds received towards capital expenditure by way of grants from the Government and by private donations are added to the Capital Funding Account. A transfer is made to the income and expenditure account in respect of amortisation over the estimated useful lives of the fixed assets purchased.

(g) Pension costs

Retirement benefits to teachers employed by the company are provided by the Teachers Superannuation Scheme (TSS). The TSS is a national, statutory, contributory, unfunded final salary scheme administered by the Teachers Pension Agency, an executive agency of the Department for Education and Employment. Pension costs are assessed in accordance with the advice of the Government Actuary.

Costs include normal and supplementary contributions. The regular cost is the normal contribution, expressed as a percentage of salary of a teacher newly entering service, which would defray the cost of benefits payable in respect of that service. Variations from the regular pension cost are met by a supplementary contribution. This occurs if, as a result of the actuarial investigation, it is found that the accumulated liabilities for benefits to past and present teachers are not fully covered by normal contributions to be paid in the future and by the fund built up from past contributions. The normal and supplementary contributions are charged to the income and expenditure account in the year.

Non teaching members of staff are offered membership of a defined contribution scheme. The assets of this scheme are held separately from those of the company, being invested with insurance companies. The pension costs for that scheme represent the contributions payable by the company in the year.

(h) Operating leases

Payments made in respect of assets hired under operating leases are written off to the income and expenditure account as incurred.

DIXONS CITY TECHNOLOGY COLLEGE CHARITABLE TRUST NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 1997

		1997 £	1996 £
2	ANNUAL PER CAPITA GRANT (APG)		
	APG income	3,176,293	3,021,912
	Carry over brought forward from previous year	11,002	5,218
		3,187,295	3,027,130
	Net APG expenditure Transfer from (to) Premises Fund to (from)APG Transfer to Capital Fund from APG	(3,141,103) 5,000 (9,587)	(2,979,313) (10,000) (26,815)
	Current year carry over	41,605	11,002
	Maximum permitted carry over (12%) Excess APG to surrender	381,155 NIL	362,629 NIL
3	PRIVATE SECTOR INCOME		
	Capital sponsorship (note 14)	98,788	141,833
4	OTHER INCOME		
	Interest receivable (public) Interest receivable (private) Sundry income	23,015 16,719 114,833 154,567	13,084 10,824 71,218 95,126

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 1997

5 TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED

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	Staff costs D	epreciatio £	Other on costs	Total 1997 £	Total 1996 £
Direct provision of education Support costs	1,755,416 236,778		288,626 87,308	2,507,158 349,532	2,366,787 266,046
Educational, management and administration Premises	333,523 85,014	-	174,275 209,167	528,155 294,181	568,445 283,485
	2,410,731	508,919	759,376	3,679,026	3,484,763
EXCESS OF INCOME OV	ER EXPE	NDITURI	199 £	7	1996 £
Excess of income over expenthe following:	diture is af	ter chargin	g		
Depreciation Educational supplies as Occupancy costs	nd services		508,9 208,8 160,2	43	483,510 192,505 152,877
Maintenance costs Supplies and services			48,8 139,3	89 40	46,470 173,827
Operating lease rentals Auditors' remuneration Miscellaneous			25,4 9,4 167,0	67	25,945 9,079 82,842
STAFF COSTS					
Wages and salaries Social security costs Other pension costs			2,072,2 170,0 141,1	08 32	2,024,497 139,338 134,684

Health and accident insurance

19,189

2,317,708

27,385

2,410,731

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 1997

7 STAFF COSTS (continued)

The average number employed during the year was:	1997 Number	1996 Number
Teaching including technicians	95	94
Management	4	4
Administration	11	11
Premises	3	2
Hourly paid	21	19_
	134	130
Employees earning over £40,000 were in the following	ranges:	

£60,001 - £70,000

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8 EMOLUMENTS OF GOVERNORS

£40,001 - £50,000

The Governors received no emoluments from the College in their capacity as Governors.

9 GOVERNORS AND OFFICERS INSURANCE

In accordance with normal commercial practice the College has obtained insurance to protect Governors and officers from claims arising from negligent acts, errors or omissions occurring whilst on College business. The insurance provides cover up to £2m on any one claim at a premium of £1,560.

The College also insures against any losses of money or goods resulting from fraud or dishonesty by College employees. The insurance provides cover up to £250,000 and the cost for year ended 31 August 1997 was £353.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 1997

10 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Cost:	Freehold land and buildings £	Plant and machinery £	Furniture and equipment £	Computer equipment and software	Motor vehicles £	Total £
		628,250	1,661,939	706,341	15,354	11,375,264
At 1 September 1996 Additions	8,363,380 127	628,230	66,322	99,314	22,605	188,368
Disposals	121	<u>-</u>	(38,749)	(192,800)	(15,354)	(246,903)
•						
At 31 August 1997	8,363,507	628,250	1,689,512	612,855	22,605	11,316,729
Accumulated depreciation:	984,924	376,950	825,149	486,649	9,956	2,683,628
At 1 September 1996 Charge for year	175,676	64,128	167,094	94,652	7,368	508,918
Disposals	173,070	-	(26,582)	(192,440)	(10,091)	(229,113)
-		444.050				
At 31 August 1997	1,160,600	441,078	965,661	388,861	7,233	2,963,433
Net book value: At 31 August 1997	7,202,907	187,172	723,851	223,994	15,372	8,353,296
At 31 August 1996	7,378,456	251,300	836,790	219,692	5,398	8,691,636
Source of funding for a Capital grants Private sector Other DfEE grants	6,244,760 2,118,747	d since date 6 502,600 125,650	of incorporati 1,015,313 651,254 22,945	208,443 239,951 164,461	22,605	7,971,116 3,158,207 187,406
	8,363,507	628,250	1,689,512	612,855	22,605	11,316,729
The net book value at ? Direct charitable pur Educational	poses:	-			_	7,586,047
provision	6,554,718	187,172	658,659 48,674	185,498	-	438,087
Support services	360,216	•	48,674	29,197	-	430,007
Other purposes: Management and administration	287,973		16,518	9,299_	15,372	329,162
	7,202,907	187,172	723,851	223,994	15,372	8,353,296

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 1997

10	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS (continued)		
			Freehold properties
	Land and Buildings comprise:		
	Cost Depreciation	_	8,363,507 (1,160,600)
	At 31 August 1997	=	7,202,907
	At 31 August 1996	=	7,378,456
	The above cost includes freehold land of £370,59	90 which has not been do	epreciated.
		1997 £	1996 £
11	STOCK	±	£
	Stores		7,778
12	DEBTORS		
	Other debtors	6,569	13,261
	Due from subsidiary undertaking		
		6,569	14,318
13	OTHER CREDITORS		
	Other taxation and social security	42,472	37,816
	Other creditors	49,028	58,442
1		91,500	96,258

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 1997

14	DEFERRED INCOME TOTAL GRANTS	Government capital grants £	Private sector capital sponsorship £	Other DfEE grant £	Total £
	At 1 September 1996 Income during year At 31 August 1997	8,137,496 18,859 8,156,355	3,279,289 98,788 3,378,077	49,591 - 49,591	11,466,376 117,647 11,584,023
	Amortisation: At 1 September 1996 Current charge in year At 31 August 1997				2,712,400 470,668 3,183,068
	Net deferred income: At 31 August 1997 At 31 August 1996				8,400,955 8,753,976

15 RESTRICTED FUNDS

The income funds of the College comprise the following balances of grants to be applied for specific purposes.

1996 rese £	Expenditure gains/losses and transfers £ 6,293 3,145,690	31 August 1997 £ 41,605
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The movement on the restricted fund amounted to £30,603.

16 DESIGNATED FUNDS

The income funds of the College include a designated fund for building maintenance which has been set aside out of both restricted and unrestricted funds by the Governors for this purpose.

	Balance at 31 August 1996 £	Incoming resources	Balance at 31 August 1997 £
Premises fund Unrestricted funds	50,000 149,930	15,000 76,899	65,000 226,829
	199,930	91,899	291,829

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 1997

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			Endowme	nt funds	
1	Unrestricted	Restricted	Public	Private	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed asset	ts -	(47,659)	6,720,763	1,680,192	8,353,296
Current assets	291,829	427,532	_	-	719,361
Current liabilities	_	(338,268)	-	-	(338,268)
Deferred income			(6,720,763)	(1,680,192)	(8,400,955)
	291,829	41,605		<u>-</u>	333,434
RECONCILIATIONET CASH INFLO					DITURE TO
				1997	1996
				£	£

	1997 £	1996 £
Excess of income over expenditure of revenue		
fund for the year	122,502	81,535
Interest receivable	(35,134)	(23,908)
Loss/(profit) on sale of fixed assets	678	(5,318)
Decrease/(increase) in stock	7,778	(4,934)
Decrease in debtors	15,461	15,708
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(37,724)	68,027
Net depreciation charge	38,250	34,250
	111,811	165,360

19 RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

Excess of income over expenditure of revenue fund for the year	122,502	81,535
Balance at 1 September 1996	210,932	129,397
Balance at 31 August 1997	333,434	210,932

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 1997

20	CAPITAL COMMITMENTS	1997 £	1996 £
	Contracted but not provided for	29,901	5,018

21 PENSION CONTRIBUTIONS

The Teaching Staff are members of The DfEE Teachers' Pensions Agency Teachers' Superannuation Scheme, which is a defined benefit scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the College in an independently administered fund. The College has also arranged personal pension plans for those non-teaching staff who wish to avail themselves of the facility. These schemes are defined contribution schemes. The pension costs charge represents the contribution payable by the College to the schemes, and amounted to £141,132 (1996: £134,225). At 31 August 1997 contributions amounting to £Nil (1996: £14,482) were payable to the scheme and are included in creditors.

22 MEMBERS

The liability of members is limited to a guarantee of £1 each if the College is wound up during membership or within one year after ceasing to be a member. At 31 August 1997 there were 4 members (1996 - 4 members).

23	OPERATING LEASES	1997	1996
	The College had operating lease commitments to pay	£	£
	during the next year in respect of equipment leases:		
	Expiring between two and five years:		
	Photocopying equipment	21,598	21,598

24 INVESTMENT IN SUBSIDIARY UNDERTAKING

The College was previously gifted the whole of the issued share capital of CTC Services (Bradford) Limited comprising 100 ordinary shares of £1 each. The principal activity of CTC Services (Bradford) Limited was marketing of the services of Dixons City Technology College Charitable Trust and the staff to third parties other than students. Group accounts have not been prepared as the group is exempt under Section 248 of the Companies Act 1985.

The company ceased to trade with effect from 31 August 1996, and at 31 August 1997 the company had a deficiency of net assets amounting to £19,815.