

**City of London Academy  
Southwark Lettings  
Limited**

**Annual Report and Financial  
Statements**

31 August 2019

Company Registration Number 08178432  
(England and Wales)

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## Reference and administrative details of the Company, its Directors and Advisers

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<b>Registered number</b>	08178432 (England and Wales)
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## Directors' report 31 August 2019

The Directors present their annual report together with the audited financial statements of City of London Academy Southwark Lettings Limited (the company) for the year to 31 August 2019.

### Principal activities and business review

The principal activity of the company is to manage the letting of the sports and other facilities located at the City of London Academy (Southwark).

### Results

The profit for the period amounted to £43,229 (2018 - £99,780). The company has donated the profit to City of London Academies Trust ('the Academy Trust'), for the Academy Trust to spend as it considers appropriate to further its objectives.

### Directors

The following Directors were in office during the financial year and up to the date of approval of this report except as shown:

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R Bannister	Resigned 23 May 2019
M Baxter	Appointed 23 May 2019
S Lehrter	Resigned 31 July 2019
A Smyth	Appointed 23 May 2019

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### Financial risk management

The company's operations expose it to a small number of financial risks. The company has in place a process that seeks to mitigate the effects of risk on its financial performance.

Given the size of the company, the Directors have not delegated the responsibility of monitoring financial risk to a sub-committee. The policies set by the Directors are implemented by the company's parent undertaking, City of London Academies Trust.

The principal financial risk remains the impact of the general economic conditions affecting the company's trading level. Subsequent to the balance sheet date, the lockdown measures introduced by the UK Government in response to the Covid-19 pandemic has had a significant impact on the company's day to day trading activities, principally sports lettings. In forming their assessment of going concern, the directors have acknowledged that the company has generated a sufficient quantum of cash reserves through its trading activity in the six months to 31 March 2020 to allow it to cover any expenditure commitments in the absence of further income for at least a 12 month period from the date of signature of this report. Cash reserves at 31 March 2020 amounted to circa £124,000.

## **Directors' report 31 August 2019**

### **Statement of Directors' responsibilities**

The Directors are responsible for preparing the Directors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the Directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the Directors have prepared the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law) including Financial Reporting Standard 102 Section 1A, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland.' Under company law the Directors 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 company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Directors are required to:

- ◆ select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- ◆ make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- ◆ state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- ◆ prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

The Directors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the company's transactions and 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 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Each of the Directors confirms that:

- ◆ so far as the Director is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the company's auditor is unaware; and
- ◆ the Director has taken all the steps that he/she ought to have taken as a Director in order to make himself/herself aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the company's auditor is aware of that information.

This confirmation is given and should be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of s418 of the Companies Act 2006.

**Directors' report 31 August 2019**

**Statement of Directors' responsibilities (continued)**

The above report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies and with Financial Reporting Standard 102 Section 1A.

Signed on behalf of the board of Directors:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Baxter', with a stylized flourish at the end.

M Baxter  
Director

Approved by the board on 16 July 2020

**Independent auditor's report to the shareholder of City of London Academy  
Southwark Lettings Limited**

**Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of City of London Academy Southwark Lettings Limited ("the company") for the year ended 31 August 2019, which comprise the statement of income and retained earnings, the balance sheet, the principal accounting policies and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- ◆ give a true and fair view of the state of the company's affairs as at 31 August 2019 and of its profit or loss 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.

**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 company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

**Conclusions relating to going concern**

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 directors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- ◆ the directors have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the company'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.

**Other information**

The directors 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. 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.

**Opinions 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 directors' report for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- ◆ the directors' report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

**Matters on which we are required to report by exception**

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the directors' 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 directors' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- ◆ we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- ◆ the directors were not entitled to prepare the financial statements in accordance with the small companies' regime and take advantage of the small companies' exemptions in preparing the directors' report and from the requirement to prepare a strategic report.



**Responsibilities of directors**

As explained more fully in the statement of directors' responsibilities within the directors' report, the directors 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 directors 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 directors are responsible for assessing the company'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 directors either intend to liquidate the company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

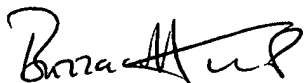
**Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

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](http://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 company'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 company'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 company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.



27 July 2020

Edward Finch, Senior Statutory Auditor  
for and on behalf of Buzzacott LLP, Statutory Auditor  
130 Wood Street  
London  
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## Statement of income and retained earnings Year to 31 August 2019

	Notes	Year to 31 August 2019 £	Year to 31 August 2018 £
Turnover	1	188,186	206,585
Cost of sales		(18,582)	(11,754)
<b>Gross profit</b>		<b>169,604</b>	<b>194,831</b>
Administrative expenses		(126,375)	(95,051)
<b>Operating profit</b>		<b>43,229</b>	<b>99,780</b>
Interest receivable and similar income		—	—
<b>Profit on ordinary activities before taxation</b>	3	<b>43,229</b>	<b>99,780</b>
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	5	—	—
<b>Profit on ordinary activities after taxation</b>		<b>43,229</b>	<b>99,780</b>
Gift aid donation		(43,229)	(99,780)
<b>Retained profit for the financial year</b>		<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>
Retained earnings at 1 September 2018		—	—
<b>Retained earnings at 31 August 2019</b>		<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>

The company has no recognised gains and losses other than those shown above.

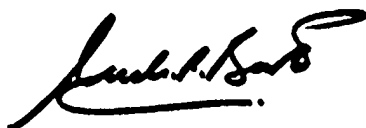
All the company's activities derived from continuing operations during the above two financial years.

# Statement of financial position 31 August 2019

	Notes	31 August 2019 £	31 August 2018 £
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	6	11,758	18,865
Cash at bank and in hand		90,012	149,585
		<b>101,770</b>	168,450
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	7	<b>(101,670)</b>	(168,350)
<b>Net current assets and net assets</b>		<b>100</b>	100
<b>Capital and reserves</b>			
Called up share capital	8	100	100
Shareholder's funds	10	100	100

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to the small companies' regime within Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 and FRS 102 Section 1A.

Approved by the Directors of City of London Academy Southwark Lettings Limited, Company Registration Number 08178432 (England and Wales), and signed on their behalf by:



M Baxter

Director

Approved by the board on 16 July 2020

## **Principal accounting policies 31 August 2019**

City of London Academy Southwark Lettings Limited is a private limited company incorporated in England and Wales (Company Registration Number 08178432). The registered office is 240 Lynton Road, London, SE1 5LA. It is a wholly owned subsidiary of City of London Academies Trust, a registered company (Company Registration Number 04504128 (England and Wales)).

The principal accounting policies adopted, judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty in the preparation of the financial statements are laid out below.

### **Basis of preparation**

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable United Kingdom accounting standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 Section 1A, the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), and with the Companies Act 2006.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policies below or the notes to these accounts.

These financial statements are prepared for the year to 31 August 2019 with comparative information provided for the year to 31 August 2018. The financial statements are presented in sterling to the nearest pound.

### **Going concern**

The Directors have assessed whether the use of the going concern assumption is appropriate in preparing these financial statements. The Directors have made this assessment in respect to a period of one year from the date of approval of these financial statements.

The Directors of the company have concluded that there are no material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the company to continue as a going concern. The Directors are of the opinion that the company will have sufficient resources to meet its liabilities as they fall due.

The main impact on the company's financial position continues to be the general economic environment which has deteriorated significantly as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic. The Directors are seeking to mitigate this risk through careful budgeting and cost control. In forming their assessment of going concern, the directors have acknowledged that the company has generated a sufficient quantum of cash reserves through its trading activity in the six months to 31 March 2020 to allow it to cover any expenditure commitments in the absence of further income for at least a 12 month period from the date of signature of this report. Cash reserves at 31 March 2020 amounted to circa £124,000.

## **Principal accounting policies 31 August 2019**

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

In preparing these financial statements, the Directors have been required to make certain significant judgements and estimates. Other than the judgements made in forming the going concern assessment referenced above, there are no other significant judgements or estimates.

### **Turnover**

Turnover represents income from the provision of facilities.

Turnover is recognised to the extent that it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the company and the revenue can be reliably measured. It is measured as the fair value of the consideration received or receivable, excluding discounts, rebates, value added tax and other sales taxes.

### **Expenditure recognition**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the company to make a payment 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.

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and excludes recoverable VAT. Expenditure comprises the direct costs associated with the delivery of the company's services as well as general administrative support costs.

### **Cash flow statement**

The financial statements do not include a cash flow statement, because the company, as a small reporting entity is exempt from the requirements to prepare such a statement under FRS 102.

### **Debtors**

Debtors are recognised at their settlement amount, less any provision for non-recoverability. They have been discounted to the present value of the future cash receipt where such discounting is material.

### **Cash at bank and in hand**

Cash at bank and in hand represents such accounts and instruments that are available on demand or have a maturity of less than three months from the date of acquisition.

## **Principal accounting policies 31 August 2019**

### **Creditors and provisions**

Creditors and provisions 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.

### **Payment under Gift Aid**

Any taxable profit is transferred each year under Gift Aid to the company's parent charity, City of London Academies Trust, as per an agreed Deed of Covenant. Provision is made within creditors for the amount payable in respect of each year.

### **Taxation**

The current tax charge is calculated on the basis of tax rates and laws that have been enacted or substantively enacted by the reporting date.

## Notes to the financial statements 31 August 2019

### 1 Turnover

Turnover and the profit before Gift Aid arise solely from the company carrying out its principal activity in the United Kingdom.

### 2 Staff costs

Staff costs during the period were:

	Year to 31 August 2019 £	Year to 31 August 2018 £
Wages and salaries	49,326	45,100
Social security costs	4,131	4,099
Pension costs	8,311	2,949
	<b>61,768</b>	<b>52,148</b>

The average monthly number of employees excluding the Directors during the period was as follows:

	Year to 31 August 2019	Year to 31 August 2018
Lettings staff	3	3
	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>

### 3 Profit on ordinary activities before taxation

	Year to 31 August 2019 £	Year to 31 August 2018 £
This is stated after charging:		
Auditor's remuneration	1,000	1,000
	<b>1,000</b>	<b>1,000</b>

### 4 Directors' remuneration

No director received any remuneration during the year ended 31 August 2019 (2018 - £nil).

## Notes to the financial statements 31 August 2019

### 5 Tax on profit on ordinary activities

The company recorded no taxable retained profit in the period to 31 August 2019, and hence, there is no charge to UK corporation tax during the year.

### 6 Debtors

	2019 £	2018 £
Trade debtors	11,758	15,276
Other debtors	—	3,589
	<b>11,758</b>	<b>18,865</b>

### 7 Creditors

	2019 £	2018 £
Trade creditors	5,804	23,317
Amount due to group undertaking	55,487	133,228
Accruals and deferred income	38,278	3,057
VAT	2,101	8,748
	<b>101,670</b>	<b>168,350</b>

### 8 Share capital

	2019 £	2018 £
Allotted and called up 100 Ordinary shares of £1 each	<b>100</b>	<b>100</b>

### 9 Ultimate controlling party

The Directors regard City of London Academies Trust (Company Registration Number 04504128) as the company's ultimate controlling party.