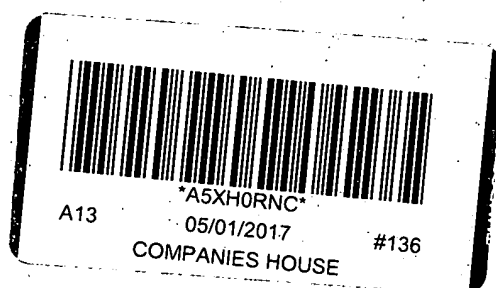


Company No. 08638398

**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

**Annual Report and Financial Statements**

**For the year ended 31 August 2016**



**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

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**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

**Reference and Administrative Details**

**Members**

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Mrs. T.M. Wraith

**Governors (Trustees)**

Mr. J.D. Nelson  
Mrs. T.M. Wraith  
Mr. L. Dale  
Mrs. G. Fletcher  
Mr. B. Penrose  
Father E. Woodcock  
Mrs. S. Leach  
Mr. P. Batty  
Mrs. H. Baxter  
Mrs. L. Ranby  
Mr. A. Birden  
Mrs. S. Wilton

Governor (Co-opted)  
Governor (Co-opted)  
Parent Governor (Chair)  
Foundation Governor  
Parent Governor  
Foundation Governor  
Governor  
Governor (Co-opted)  
Parent Governor  
Headteacher  
Parent Governor  
Staff Governor

**Senior Leadership Team**

Headteacher  
Deputy Headteacher  
Business Manager

Mrs. L. Ranby  
Mrs. S. Wilton  
Mrs. S. Scargill (nee Chatham)

**Principal and Registered Office**

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**Company Number**

08638398 (England & Wales)

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## Darrington Church of England Primary School

### Governors' Report

#### For the year ended 31 August 2016

The governors present their annual report together with the financial statements and auditors' report of the charitable company for the year ended 31 August 2016. The annual report serves the purpose of both a governors' report and a director's report under company law.

The trust operates an academy for pupils aged 3 to 11 serving a catchment area in Darrington and Pontefract South. It has a pupil capacity of 105 and had a roll of 107 with nursery in the school census in October 2016, numbers are increasing and we have pupils currently on waiting lists to transfer to our school.

### **Structure, Governance and Management**

#### Constitution

The academy trust is a company limited by guarantee and an exempt charity. 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 Darrington Church of England Primary School and are also the directors of the Charitable Company for the purposes of company law.

Details of the governors who served throughout the period, except as noted, are included in the Reference and Administrative Details on page 1.

#### Members Liability

Each member of the charitable company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the 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 an amount as may be required, not exceeding £10 for the debts and liabilities contracted before they ceased to be a member.

#### Governors' Indemnities

Governors benefit from indemnity insurance purchased at the Academy's expense to cover the liability of the Governors which by virtue of any rule of law would otherwise attach to them in respect of negligence, default or breach of trust or breach of duty of which they may be guilty in relation to the Academy: Provided that any such insurance shall not extend to any claim arising from any act or omission which the Governors knew to be a breach of trust or a breach of duty or which was committed by the Governors in reckless disregard to whether it was a breach of trust or breach of duty or not and provided also that any such insurance shall not extend to the costs of any unsuccessful defence to criminal prosecution brought against the governors in their capacity as directors of the Academy. The limit of this indemnity is £5,000,000.

#### Method of Recruitment and Appointment or Election of governors

The number of Governors shall not be less than 3 no more than 14.

The Academy shall have the following Governors:

- a) Up to 4 Governors, appointed under Article 50 (i.e. appointed by the members);
- b) Foundation Governors, appointed and/or holding office further to Article 51 (i.e. including the incumbent(s) as ex officio Foundation Governor(s) and any other persons appointed by the Foundation Governors, providing that the Foundation Governors do not exceed 25% of all Governors);
- c) Staff governors appointed under Article 50A (i.e. The Members may appoint Staff Governors through such process as they may determine, providing that the total number of Governors (including the Headteacher) who are employees of the Academy Trust does not exceed one third of the total number of Governors);
- d) A minimum of 2 Parent Governors (see below process of election);
- e) The Headteacher;
- f) The Governors may appoint up to 2 Co-opted Governors (The Governors may not co-opt an employee of the Academy Trust as a Co-opted Governor if thereby the number of Governors who are employees of the Academy Trust would exceed one third of the total number of Governors (including the Headteacher) and any co-options that would breach the 25%/75% balance must be followed by one or more appointments under Articles 51 to restore the correct proportion).

## Darrington Church of England Primary School

### Governors' Report (continued)

#### For the year ended 31 August 2016

#### Election of Parent Governors Articles 53-58

The 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 is elected.

The arrangements made for the election of a Parent Governor shall provide for every person who is entitled to vote in the election to have an opportunity to do so by post or, if he prefers, by having his ballot paper returned to the Academy Trust by a registered pupil at the Academy.

Where a vacancy for a Parent Governor is required to be filled by election, the Governing Body shall take such steps as are reasonably practical to secure that every person who is known to them to be a parent of a registered pupil at the Academy is informed of the vacancy and that it is required to be filled by election, informed that he is entitled to stand as a candidate, and vote at the election, and given an opportunity to do so.

#### Term of Office

The term of office for any Governor shall be 4 years, save that this time limit shall not apply to the Headteacher, the incumbent(s) or to the first term of office of any Governor who, immediately prior to incorporation of the Academy Trust, was a governor on the governing body of Darrington C of E (VC) Junior and Infants School. The first term of office of any such Governor shall be a period equal to that which would have been the remainder of their term of office as a governor of Darrington C of E (VC) Junior and Infants School. Subject to remaining eligible to be a particular type of Governor, any Governor may be re-appointed or re-elected.

#### Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Governors

The Governors shall each school year, at their first meeting in that year, elect a chairman and a vice-chairman from among their number. A Governor who is employed by the Academy shall not be eligible for election as chairman or vice-chairman.

#### Policies and Procedures Adopted for the Induction and Training of Governors

Anyone expressing an interest in becoming a Trustee of the Academy will be invited to visit the school and an option to attend a Governing Body meeting prior to making their decision. If they choose this option, they may be asked to leave the meeting when confidential matters are being discussed, but the school will provide as much information as deemed appropriate.

All Trustees are encouraged to attend relevant training courses, either in-house or provided externally. A record of such attendance is kept and this can be used to determine where existing skills can be extended and is of paramount use when allocating specific Trustee responsibility.

Each Trustee is given a copy of our Code of Conduct, which is based on the NGA model, and asked to confirm in writing they have read the document and agreed to its' content. Copies of all policies are available either in hard-copy or electronic format for all Trustees to access.

#### Organisational Structure

The management structure consists of three levels; The Trustees, the Board of Governors and the Senior Leadership Team. The aim of the management structure is to devolve responsibility and encourage involvement in decision making at all levels.

The Governors are responsible for setting general policy, adopting an annual plan and budget, monitoring the academy by the use of results and budgets and making major decisions about the direction of the academy, capital expenditure and staff appointments.

The senior leaders are the Headteacher, Deputy Headteacher and Business Manager. These managers control the academy at an executive level, implementing the policies laid down by the Governors and reporting back to them. As a group, the senior leaders are responsible for the authorisation of spending within agreed budgets and the appointment of staff, though appointment boards always contain a Governor.

## Darrington Church of England Primary School

### Governors' Report (continued)

#### For the year ended 31 August 2016

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

The governors adopt the Teacher's pay and conditions document for Teachers pay, which is also agreed at each Resources meeting in autumn term.

#### Related parties and other Connected Charities and Organisations

As a church school, Darrington Church of England Primary School Trust work very closely with the Diocese of Leeds (formerly Diocese of West Yorkshire and the Dales).

#### **Risk Management**

The Trustees have assessed the majority of risks to which the Academy is exposed, in particular those relating to specific teaching, provision of facilities and other operational areas of the Academy and its finances. The Key risks have been determined as:-

- Compliance risk – need to ensure the school complies with current legislation.
- Financial risk- uncertainty regarding future government funding streams and also legislative requirements such as records in accordance with external agencies timescales.
- Charities risk – trustees to ensure the Annual Return is submitted in accordance with their requirements.
- Tax legislation risk – trustees to seek confirmation from the external contractors that the relevant PAYE/NI has been paid.
- Health & safety issues – if a person, pupil, employee, volunteer or visitor is injured whilst on the school premises.

The Trustees have implemented a number of systems to assess the risks that the Academy faces, especially in operational areas (e.g. in relation to teaching, health & safety, bullying and educational visits) and in relation to the control of finance. There are systems in place to minimise risks including operation procedures (e.g. issuing all visitors of the school with a school badge; ensuring that the premises are secure once the school is in session) and internal financial controls. Where significant risk still remains the Trustees have ensured they have adequate insurance cover. The Academy has an effective system of internal financial controls.

#### **Objectives and Activities**

##### Objectives and Aims

The principal objective and activity of the charitable company is to advance education in the UK for the public benefit, in particular by maintaining and carrying on the academy, offering a broad and creative curriculum with a focus on high standards of basic skills combined within the development of the whole child. In setting the schools objectives and planning the schools activities the Governors have given careful consideration to the Charity Commissions' general guidance on public benefit.

The main objectives of the academy during the year ended August 2016 are summarised below:

- To ensure that every child enjoys the same high quality in terms of resourcing, teaching and care.
- To raise the standard of educational achievement of all pupils.
- To improve the effectiveness of the academy by keeping the curriculum and organisational structure under continual review.
- To provide value for money for the funds expended.
- To comply with all appropriate statutory and curriculum requirements.
- To maintain close links with other primary schools, and
- To conduct the academy business in accordance with the highest standards of integrity, probity and openness.

**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

**Governors' Report (continued)**

**For the year ended 31 August 2016**

**Objectives and Activities (continued)**

**Objectives, Strategies and Activities**

The vision for Darrington Church of England Primary School Trust is to provide an outstanding education for all children in its care; achieving high standards and developing the whole child, within a supportive family ethos. This applies to all aspects of the organisation at every level. The academy places the pupils at the centre of everything it does, with a focus on maintaining a culture of success, a positive climate for learning and pupil attainment, achievement and spiritual, moral, social and cultural development. In raising standards for its own pupils the academy contributes to the raising of educational standards and achievements.

The whole purpose of schools is that the children are absolute priority. That every pupil irrespective of their starting point, succeeds and achieves. In order to do this, a high quality educational experience is an entitlement for every pupil at Darrington Church of England Primary School Trust, with all parties – pupils, staff, parents/carers, governors, Darrington Church community and the wider community working together to achieve these goals. Pupils with special needs are fully included and benefit from the focus on personalised learning and individual plans.

The Governors whole purpose is to raise standards for all pupils by sustaining and enhancing performance and to develop the whole child, whilst at the same time engaging and collaborating with other schools to help improve the life changes of other children locally and nationally.

**Public Benefit**

The Trust considered the Charity Commission's guidance on Public Benefit. The main public benefit delivered by the Trust is the provision of a high quality of education to its pupils. This has been evidenced through the results achieved and feedback from external assessments.

The School was judged as 'good' when inspected in June 2015 and 'good' in the SIAS inspection October 2010, and in January 2016 our SIAMS was judged to be outstanding.

**Strategic Report**

**Achievements and Performance**

The total number of pupils in the year ended 31 August 2016 were as follows:

<b>Pupils on Roll 31.08.2016</b>	<b>122</b>
<b>Pupils on Roll 31.08.2015</b>	<b>118</b>



**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

**Governors' Report (continued)**

**For the year ended 31 August 2016**

**Key Performance Indicators**

The Key Stage results for the academic year are summarised as follows:-

**End of Key Stage One**

	<b>At or above</b>	<b>At greater depth</b>
Reading	100%	40%
Writing	67%	27%
Maths	80%	20%
R/W/M	67%	13%

**End of Key Stage Two**

Reading	87%	40%
Writing	73%	13%
Maths	73%	13%
GPS	80%	33%
R/W/M	60%	33%

**Attendance**

Darrington Church of England Primary School Trust achieved an attendance level of 95.88% for the year to 31 August 2016. The attendance Target for 2016/2017 is 97%.

**Going Concern**

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

**Financial Review**

**Financial report for the year**

Most of the Academy's income is obtained from the EFA in the form of recurrent grants, the use of which are restricted to particular purposes. The grants received from the EFA during the year ended 31 August 2016 are shown as restricted funds in the statement of finance.

The deficit in the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) is recognised on the balance sheet in accordance with the provisions of FRS102.

**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

**Governors' Report (continued)**

**For the year ended 31 August 2016**

**Reserves policy**

The Governors will review the reserve levels of the Academy annually. This review encompasses the nature of income and expenditure streams, the need to match income with commitments and the nature of reserves. Reserves are held to ensure that the Academy has sufficient resources to continue to advance the education of pupils.

**Financial position**

Funds of the Academy are held in a bank current account, which has low risk.

**Key Financial Performance Indicators**

The main financial performance indicator in reporting to the Governing Body has been monthly revenue against monthly expenditure for key budget headings/items (for example, salaries, building costs, maintenance).

**Financial and Risk Management Objectives and Policies**

The Governors have implemented a number of systems to assess and minimise risks, described elsewhere in this report. Adequate insurance is in place where appropriate.

The Governors examine the financial health every term, reviewing performance against budget and overall expenditure.

At the year end, the Academy has no significant liabilities arising from trade creditors or debtors where there would be a significant effect on liquidity.

The Governing Body recognises that the defined benefit scheme deficit (Local Government Pension Scheme) represents a significant potential liability. However as the Governors consider that the Academy is able to meet its known annual contribution commitments for the foreseeable future, the risk from the liability is minimised.

**Principal Risks and Uncertainties**

The principal risks and uncertainties facing the Academy are as follows:

- Financial – The Academy has considerable reliance on continued Government funding throughout the EFA, whilst levels are expected to continue, there is no assurance that Government policy or practice will remain the same or that public funding will continue at the same level or on the same terms.
- Financial – The Academy has to ensure that admission numbers are maintained.
- Failures in governance and/or management to effectively manage the Academy's finances internal controls, compliance with regulations and legislation, statutory returns.
- Fraud and mismanagement of funds – the Academy appointed Paylings to carry out checks on financial systems and records.
- Safeguarding and Child protection – the Governors continue to ensure the highest standards are maintained in the areas of selection and monitoring of staff, the operation of child protection policies and procedures, together with health and safety and discipline.

**Plans for Future Periods**

The school aims to provide the highest educational opportunities for all children as well as providing professional development for all teaching and support staff so that the Academy continues to be self-developing and self supporting in the future.

**Funds held as Custodian Trustee on behalf of others**

The Academy and its Governors do not act as the Custodian Trustees of any other Charity.

**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

**Governors' Report (continued)**

**For the year ended 31 August 2016**

**Auditor**

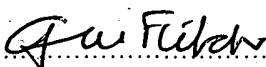
In so far as the Governors are aware

- There is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditor is unaware; and
- The governors' have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditor is aware of that information.

**Appointment of Auditor**

Paylings having expressed their willingness to continue in office, will be deemed reappointed for the next financial year in accordance with section 487(2) of the Companies 2006 Act, unless the charitable company receives notice under section 488(1) of the Companies Act 2006.

Governors' report, incorporating a strategic report, was approved by order of the members of governing body, as the company directors, on 13 December 2016 and signed on their behalf by:

  
.....  
Mrs. G. Fletcher  
Chair

**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

**Governance Statement**

**For the year ended 31 August 2016**

**Scope of Responsibility**

As governors, we acknowledge we have overall responsibility for ensuring that Darrington Church of England Primary School Trust 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.

The governing body has delegated the day to day responsibility to the Headteacher, 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 Darrington Church of England Primary School Trust and the Secretary of State for Education. They are also responsible for reporting to the governing body any material weaknesses or breakdowns in internal control.

**Governance**

The information on governance included here supplements that described in the governors' report and in the Statement of Governors' Responsibilities. Attendance during the year at meetings of the governing body was as follows:

	<b>Attended</b>	<b>Possible</b>
Mr. J.D. Nelson	5	5
Mr. T.M. Wraith	5	5
Mr. L. Dale	4	5
Mrs. G. Fletcher	5	5
Mrs. A. Cross (resigned 6.10.15)	-	1
Father E. Woodcock	3	5
Mrs. S. Leach	4	5
Mrs. L. Ranby (on maternity leave)	3	3
Mr. P. Batty	3	5
Mrs. H. Baxter	5	5
Mr. A. Birden (appointed 1.12.15)	4	4
Mr. B.J. Penrose (appointed 6.01.16)	3	4
Mrs. S. Wilton (appointed 20.01.16)	4	4
Mrs. L. Kempley (acting Headteacher)	3	3

The Resources and Personnel Committee is a sub-committee of the main governing body. Its purpose is to manage the Academy's resources and finances efficiently and effectively.

Attendance at meetings in the year was as follows:

	<b>Attended</b>	<b>Possible</b>
Mr. J.D. Nelson (Chair)	4	4
Mr. L. Dale	3	4
Mrs. L. Ranby/Mrs. L. Kempley	4	4
Father E. Woodcock	2	4
Mr P Batty	3	4
Mr. B.J. Penrose	2	3

## Darrington Church of England Primary School

### Governance Statement continued

#### For the year ended 31 August 2016

#### **Review of Value For Money**

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

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

#### **Improving Educational Outcomes**

Targets and priorities were identified in the school improvement plan for 2015/2016 to improve educational outcomes for all pupils. These targets were continually monitored through Governing Body committees and through regular governor visits. The impact of the activities detailed in the targets were:

- Standards in maths improved by building enthusiasm and encouraging pupils to take more responsibility for their own learning, drawing upon their preferred learning styles.
- All children make very good progress in all areas of the curriculum by meeting their learning needs through a challenge for all approach, raising standards, expectations and challenge for all groups.
- The Early Years Foundation Stage Profile was fully embedded into the curriculum, giving every child the foundations for making progress and opportunity for challenge.
- Individual needs of all children are met through timely, accurate and effective feedback, assessment recording and reporting.
- Our core Christian values are firmly embedded in all aspects of school life to ensure that all members of our school community can live and work happily together.
- Collective Worship reflects the Christian Nature of the school our very successful SIAMS Inspection, January 2016, our school was judged to be 'An Outstanding Church school.'
- All employees have the benefit of a working environment that creates a sense of well-being and security.

#### **Target Improvement**

The staffing structure was reviewed in autumn 2015 to ensure all staff were deployed to provide best value according to their skills set and to ensure progress and outcomes for children are maximised. Resources are targeted in order to provide the best curriculum provision for all pupils. For example, the school's Sport Premium funding is used to pay for a sports coach for 1 day a week in order to develop high quality teaching and learning in sport and PE.

Performance management is at the heart of improving staff performances. The performance management process was clearly linked to the school improvement plan targets for all members of staff. The school ensured that all staff had access to appropriate and timely CPD activities to improve the quality of teaching and learning and enhance curriculum provision. For example investment in planning the new curriculum was planned for prior to its implementation. Funding was allocated to CPD which directly relates to priorities on the School Development Plan.

#### **Focus on Individual Pupils**

The Senior Leadership Team track attainment and progress through detailed analysis of individual pupils. Targeted interventions are provided for children who are shown to be potentially underachieving or not making expected progress. The class teachers with the support of the SENCO provide detailed information on intervention maps to show how the needs of individual children are being met. Pupil premium funding is allocated according to the needs of the children. The school targets the pupil premium funding at the most disadvantaged pupils to ensure their attainment and progress is in line with the rest of the cohort.

**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

**Governance Statement continued**

**For the year ended 31 August 2016**

**Collaboration**

The school works informally with 2 other church schools within Pontefract and have plans to do this more regularly this year. The schools have organised a training day in January to further develop SMSC opportunities within our schools.

**New Initiatives**

During the budget setting process the governors ensure funds are targeted specifically at school improvement priorities in order to implement new initiatives. The school purchased Big Maths Online planning resource in Spring 2016 to enhance our current maths teaching and learning and this is an SDP priority 2016-17.

**Quantifying Improvements**

At the end of EYFS, attainment has increased over time and 93% of pupils achieved a Good Level of Development.

Phonics data in Y1 has shown an increase over time in the number of pupils achieving WA and in 2016 93% of pupils achieved the required standard which exceeded the national expectation.

Attainment at the end of Key Stage 1 is significantly above or in line with national average in all areas as are Key Stage 2 results.

Behaviour is shown to be outstanding as evidenced by OFSTED 2015 and SIAMS 2016.

All teaching is at least good or outstanding as evidenced through a rigorous programme of monitoring teaching and learning. This will continue to impact on progress and attainment.

**Financial Governance and Oversight**

Our governance arrangements include regular monitoring by the Resources and Personnel Committee and full Governing Body. The governors receive regular financial reports and ask relevant questions as evidenced in the minutes.

**Better Purchasing**

Prior to conversion, all contracts and service level agreements were appraised and renegotiated in a timely manner. New contracts (three yearly or annual) have been entered into to ensure reduced costs where it was felt beneficial, for example, the school has secured a 3 year contract with the new telephone system. Expiring contracts are appraised and where possible are re-negotiated to ensure the school achieves best quality, effectiveness and the best value for money. Alternative purchasing options are explored both online and direct through suppliers to find the best value. The school implement a 3 quote process for significant purchases and/or contracts e.g. new telephone system and photocopier replacement. The SBM has been influential in driving down costs through better procurement, thorough financial monitoring and negotiation.

**Economies of scale**

The school takes opportunities to work collaboratively with other schools and academies to reduce and share administration and procurement costs and the costs of staff training.

**Maximising Income Generation**

The school was fortunate to have received a Capital Funding Grant in the summer 2016, to rewire the school and renew existing lighting in school. This investment of resources will ensure that the school's energy spending is more efficient and cost effective.

**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

**Governance Statement continued**

**For the year ended 31 August 2016**

**Future developments**

The governors recognise the need to continue developing relationships with other academies and local schools in order to benefit from economies of scale in procuring products and services, developing staff and sharing knowledge, skills and expertise. The trustees have an aspirational vision for the school to continue to improve through better systems that lead to better outcomes for pupils. Value for money is a key part of ensuring the school is able to do this.

**The Purpose of the System of Internal Control**

The system of internal control is designed to manage risk to a reasonable level rather than to eliminate all risk of failure to achieve policies, aims and objectives. It can therefore only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance of effectiveness. The system of internal control is based on an ongoing process designed to identify and prioritise the risks to the achievement of the academy trust policies, aims and objectives, to evaluate the likelihood of those risks being realised and the impact should they be realised, and to manage them efficiently, effectively and economically. The system of internal control has been in place at Darrington Church of England Primary School Trust for the year ended 31 August 2016 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements.

**Capacity to Handle Risk**

The governing body has reviewed the key risks to which the academy trust is exposed together with the operating, financial and compliance controls that have been implemented to mitigate those risks. The governing body is of the view that there is a formal on-going process for identifying, evaluating and managing the academy trust's significant risks that has been in place for the year ending 31 August 2016 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements. This process is regularly reviewed by the governing body.

**The Risk and Control Framework**

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

- comprehensive budgeting and monitoring systems with an annual budget and periodic financial reports which are reviewed and agreed by the governing body;
- regular reviews by the resources and personnel committee of reports which indicate financial performance against forecasts and of any 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;
- delegation of authority and segregation of duties;
- identification and management of risks.

The governing body has considered the need for a specific internal audit function and has decided not to appoint an internal auditor. However, the governors have appointed Paylings, the external auditor, to perform additional checks.

**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

**Governance Statement continued**

**For the year ended 31 August 2016**

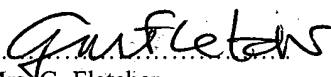
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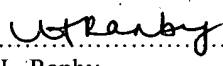
As Accounting Officer, the Headteacher has responsibility for reviewing the effectiveness of the system of internal control. During the period in question the review has been informed by:

- the work of the external auditor;
- the financial management and governance self assessment process;
- the work of executive managers within the academy trust 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 Resources and Personal Committee and a plan to address any weaknesses and ensure continuous improvement of the system in place.

Approved by order of the members of the governing body on 13 December 2016 and signed on its behalf by:

  
.....  
Mrs. G. Fletcher  
(Chair)

  
.....  
Mrs. L. Ranby  
(Accounting Officer)



**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

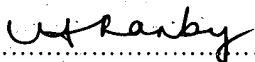
**Statement of Regularity, Propriety and Compliance**

**For the year ended 31 August 2016**

As accounting officer of Darrington Church of England Primary School Trust I have considered my responsibility to notify the academy trust governing body and the Education Funding Agency of any material irregularity, impropriety and non-compliance with EFA terms and conditions of funding, under the funding agreement in place between the academy trust and the Secretary of State for Education. As part of my consideration I have had due regard to the requirements of the Academies Financial Handbook 2015.

I confirm that I and the academy trust governing body are able to identify any material irregular or improper use of funds by the academy trust, or material non-compliance with the terms and conditions of funding under the academy trust's funding agreement and with the Academies Financial Handbook 2015.

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



Mrs. L. Ranby  
(Accounting Officer)

**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

**Statement of Governors' Responsibilities**

**For the year ended 31 August 2016**

The governors (who act as trustees for Darrington Church of England Primary School Trust and are also 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 Annual Accounts Direction published by the Education Funding Agency, United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable laws and regulations.

Company law requires the governors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. 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 apply them consistently.
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2015 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2015 to 2016.
- make judgements and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The 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 the EFA/DfE have been applied for the purposes intended.

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

Approved by order of the members of the governing body on 13 December 2016 and signed on its behalf by:

  
 .....  
 Mrs. G. Fletcher  
 (Chair)

**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

**Independent Auditor's Report on the Financial Statements to the  
Governing Body of Darrington Church of England Primary School Trust**

**For the year ended 31 August 2016**

We have audited the financial statements of Darrington Church of England Primary School Trust for the year ended 31 August 2016 which comprises the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Cash Flows 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) and the Annual Accounts Direction 2015 issued by the Education Funding Agency.

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.

**Respective responsibilities of governors and auditors**

As explained more fully in the Governor's Responsibilities Statement set out on page 14, 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.

Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

**Scope of the audit of the financial statements**

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charitable company's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the governors; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Governors' Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

**Opinion on financial statements**

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the academy's affairs as at 31 August 2016 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the period then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practices;
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP 2015 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2015 to 2016.

**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

**Independent Auditor's Report on the Financial Statements to the  
Governing Body of Darrington Church of England Primary School Trust**

**For the year ended 31 August 2016**

**Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

In our opinion the information given in the Governors' Report for the financial period for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements.

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

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

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

*D.N. Harrison*

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Dated: 13 December 2016

**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

**Independent Reporting Accountant's Assurance Report on Regularity  
to Darrington Church of England Primary School Trust  
and the Education Funding Agency**

**For the year ended 31 August 2016**

In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 21 November 2016 and further to the requirements of the Education Funding Agency (EFA) as included in the Academies Accounts Direction 2015 to 2016, we have carried out an engagement to obtain limited assurance about whether the expenditure disbursed and income received by Darrington Church of England Primary School Trust during the period 1 September 2015 to 31 August 2016 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 Darrington Church of England Primary School Trust and the EFA in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to Darrington Church of England Primary School Trust and the EFA 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 Darrington Church of England Primary School Trust and the EFA for our work, for this report, or for the conclusion we have formed.

**Respective responsibilities of Darrington Church of England Primary School Trust's accounting officer and the reporting accountant**

The accounting officer is responsible, under the requirements of Darrington Church of England Primary School Trust's funding agreement with the Secretary of State of Education dated 1 June 2013 and the Academies Financial Handbook, extant from 1 September 2015, 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 2015 to 2016. 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 period 1 September 2015 to 31 August 2016 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 2015 to 2016 issued by the EFA. We performed a limited assurance engagement as defined in our engagement letter.

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

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

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

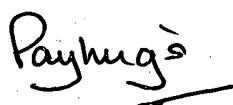
**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

**Independent Reporting Accountant's Assurance Report on Regularity  
to Darrington Church of England Primary School Trust  
and the Education Funding Agency**

**For the year ended 31 August 2016**

**Conclusion**

In the course of our work, nothing has come to our attention which suggests that in all material respects the expenditure disbursed and income received during 1 September 2015 to 31 August 2016 has not been applied to purposes intended by Parliament and the financial transactions do not conform to the authorities which govern them.



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Dated: 13 December 2016

**Darrington Church of England Primary School****Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 August 2016****(including Income and Expenditure Account)**

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted General Funds	Restricted Fixed Asset Funds	Total 2016	Total 2015
	NOTES	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Income from endowments from:</b>						
Donations and capital grants	2	4,740	5,193	90,062	99,995	77,968
Charitable activities:						
Funding for the Academy trust's educational operations	3	23,089	533,095	-	556,184	561,239
Other trading activities	4	18,619	17,199	-	35,818	14,085
Investments	5	173	-	-	173	109
<b>Total</b>		<b>46,621</b>	<b>555,487</b>	<b>90,062</b>	<b>692,170</b>	<b>653,401</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
Raising funds		-	-	-	-	32,288
Charitable activities:						
Academy trust educational operations	6	12,117	543,067	27,242	582,426	521,860
<b>Total</b>	7	<b>12,117</b>	<b>543,067</b>	<b>27,242</b>	<b>582,426</b>	<b>554,148</b>
<b>Net income/expenditure</b>		<b>34,504</b>	<b>12,420</b>	<b>62,820</b>	<b>109,744</b>	<b>99,253</b>
<b>Transfers between funds</b>	14	-	1,850	(1,850)	-	-
<b>Other recognised gains/(losses)</b>						
Actuarial (losses)/gains on defined benefit pension schemes	14, 20	-	(153,000)	-	(153,000)	10,000
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>34,504</b>	<b>(138,730)</b>	<b>60,970</b>	<b>(43,256)</b>	<b>109,253</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>						
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>	14	<b>39,179</b>	<b>(39,991)</b>	<b>1,224,597</b>	<b>1,223,785</b>	<b>1,114,532</b>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	14	<b>73,683</b>	<b>(178,721)</b>	<b>1,285,567</b>	<b>1,180,529</b>	<b>1,223,785</b>

**Darrington Church of England Primary School**  
**(Company Number 07966187)**

**Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2016**

	NOTES	£	2016 £	£	2015 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	11		1,285,567		1,224,597
<b>Current assets</b>					
Stock			-		-
Debtors	12	42,409		24,412	
Cash at bank and in hand		237,481		112,477	
			<u>279,890</u>	<u>136,889</u>	
<b>Liabilities</b>					
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	13	140,928		56,701	
<b>Net current assets</b>			<u>138,962</u>	<u>80,188</u>	
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<u>1,424,529</u>	<u>1,304,785</u>	
Creditors : Amounts falling due after more than one year					
<b>Net assets excluding pension liability</b>					
Defined benefit pension scheme liability	20		(244,000)	(81,000)	
<b>Total net assets</b>			<u>1,180,529</u>	<u>1,223,785</u>	
<b>Funds of the academy trust:</b>					
<b>Restricted funds</b>					
Fixed asset fund	14		1,285,567	1,224,597	
Restricted income fund	14		65,279	41,009	
Pension reserve	14		(244,000)	(81,000)	
			<u>1,106,846</u>	<u>1,184,606</u>	
<b>Unrestricted income funds</b>	14		73,683	39,179	
<b>Total funds</b>			<u>1,180,529</u>	<u>1,223,785</u>	

The financial statements on pages 24 to 40 were approved by the Governors, and authorised for issue on 13 December 2016 and are signed on their behalf by

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 Mrs. G. Fletcher  
 (Chair)



**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

**Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended 31 August 2016**

	Notes	2016 £	2015 £
<b>Cash flows from operating activities:</b>			
Net cash provided (used in) operating activities	1	117,789	107,240
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>	2	7,215	(79,469)
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>	3	-	-
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<b>Changes in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period</b>	4	125,004	27,771
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 1<sup>st</sup> September 2015</b>		112,477	84,706
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<b>Cash and cash equivalents at 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016</b>		<u>237,481</u>	<u>112,477</u>

**Notes to the Statement of Cash Flows**

	2016 £	2015 £
<b>1. Reconciliation of net income/(expenditure) to net cash flow from operating activities:</b>		
Net income/(outgoing)	109,744	99,253
Depreciation charges	27,243	22,399
Capital grants from DFE and other capital income	(95,255)	(72,420)
Other capital expenditure		7,158
Interest receivable	(173)	(109)
Defined benefit pension scheme cost less contribution payable	7,000	10,000
Defined benefit pension scheme finance income	3,000	2,000
Prior year adjustments		29,809
Other adjustments		5,644
(Increase)/Decrease in debtors	(17,997)	3,605
Increase/(Decrease) in creditors	84,227	(99)
(Increase)/(Decrease) in stock	-	-
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<b>Net cash inflow from operating activities</b>	<u>117,789</u>	<u>107,240</u>
<b>2. Cash flows from investing activities</b>		
Dividends, interest and rents from investments	173	109
Proceeds from sale of tangible fixed assets	-	-
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(88,213)	(79,578)
Capital grants from DfE/EFA	95,255	-
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<b>Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities</b>	<u>7,215</u>	<u>(79,469)</u>
<b>3. Cash flows from financing activities</b>		
Repayments of borrowing	-	-
Cash inflows from new borrowing	-	-
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<b>Net cash flows provided by/(used in) financing activities</b>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

**Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2016**

**1. Statement of accounting policies**

**a) First time adoption of FRS 102**

These financial statements are the first financial statements of Darrington Church of England Primary School prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (FRS 102) and the Charities SORP 2015 (SORP 2015). The financial statements of Darrington Church of England Primary School for the year ended 31 August 2015 were prepared in accordance with previous Generally Accepted Accounting Practice ('UK GAAP') and SORP 2005.

Some of the FRS 102 recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure requirements and accounting policy choices differ from previous UK GAAP. Consequently, the trustees have amended certain accounting policies to comply with FRS 102 and SORP 2015. (The Trustees have also taken advantage of certain exemptions from the requirements of FRS 102 permitted by FRS 102 Chapter 35 'Transition to this FRS').

Reconciliations to previous UK GAAP for the comparative figures are included in note (B) below.

**b) Explanation of transition to FRS 102**

It is the first year that the Academy Trust has presented its financial statements under SORP 2015 and FRS 102. The following disclosures are required in the year of transition. The last financial statements prepared under previous UK GAAP were for the year ended 31 August 2015 and the date of transition to FRS 102 and SORP 2015 was therefore 1 September 2014. As a consequence of adopting FRS 102 and SORP 2015, a number of accounting policies have changed to comply with those standards.

Comparative figures have been restated to reflect the adjustments made, except to the extent that the Trustees have taken advantage of exemptions to retrospective application of FRS 102 permitted by FRS 102 Chapter 35 'Transition to this FRS'.

Reconciliations and descriptions of the effect of the transition to FRS 102 and SORP 2015 on total funds and net income/(expenditure) for the comparative period reported under previous UK GAAP and SORP 2005 are given below:

<b>Reconciliation of total funds</b>	<b>Notes</b>	<b>1 September 2014 £000</b>	<b>31 August 2015 £000</b>
Total funds under previous UK GAAP			
Employee benefits accruals	(B)	-	-
		_____	_____
Total funds reported under FRS 102		-	-
		_____	_____
 <b>Reconciliation of net income/(expenditure)</b>	 <b>Notes</b>		 <b>31 August 2015 £000</b>
Net income/(expenditure) previously reported under UK GAAP			99,253
Change in recognition of LGPS interest cost	(A)		7,000
Employee benefits accrual	(B)		-
			_____
Net movement in funds reported under FRS 102			106,253
			_____

**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

**Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2016**

**1. Statement of accounting policies (continued)**

**A) Change in recognition of LGPS interest cost**

Under previous UK GAAP the trust recognised an expected return on defined benefit plan assets in income./expense. Under FRS 102 a net interest expense, based on the net defined benefit liability, is recognised in income/expenses. There has been no change in the defined benefit liability at either 1 September 2014 or 31 August 2015. The effect of the change has been to reduce the credit/debit to income/expense by £7,000 and increase the credit/debit in other recognised gains and losses in the SOFA by an equivalent amount.

**B) Recognition of outstanding employee benefits**

No provision for outstanding holiday pay was made under previous UK GAAP. Under FRS 102 the costs of short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability and an expense. There are no employees who are entitled to carry forward holiday.

**C) Basis of Preparation**

The financial statements of the academy trust, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared under the historical cost convention in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard Applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102), 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 (FRS102)), the Academies Accounts Direction 2015 to 2016 issued by the EFA and the Charities Act 2011 and the Companies Act 2006.

Darrington Church of England Primary School meets the definition of a public entity under FRS102.

**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 company 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 trust has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and there are no material uncertainties about the academy trust's ability to continue as a going concern, thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

**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**

Grants are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on a receivable basis. The balance of income received for specific purposes but not expended during the period is shown in the relevant funds on the balance sheet. Where income is received in advance of meeting any performance-related conditions there is not unconditional entitlement to the income and its recognition is deferred and included in creditors as deferred income until the performance-related conditions are met. Where entitlement occurs before the income is received, the income is accrued.

The General Annual Grant (GAG) 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 when there is entitlement and are not deferred over the life of the asset on which they are expended. Unspent amounts of capital grant are reflected in the balance in the restricted fixed asset fund.

**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

**Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2016**

**1. Statement of accounting policies (continued)**

**Income (continued)**

- **Sponsorship Income**

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

- **Donations**

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

- **Other income**

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

- **Donated goods, facilities and services**

Goods donated for resale are included at fair value, being the expected proceeds from sale less the expected costs of sale. If it is practical to assess the fair value at receipt, it is recognised in stock and 'Income from other trading activities'. Upon sale, the value of the stock is charged against 'Income from other trading activities' and the proceeds are recognised as 'Income from other trading activities'. Where it is impractical to fair value the items due to the volume of low value items they are recognised in the financial statements until they are sold. This income is recognised within 'Income from other trading activities'.

Where the donated asset is a fixed asset it is measured at fair value, unless it is impractical to measure this reliably, in which case the cost of the item will be used. The gain is recognised as income from donations and a corresponding amount is included in the appropriate fixed asset category and depreciated over the useful economic life in accordance with the academy trust's accounting policies.

The opening of the academy trust involved the donation of identifiable assets and liabilities and the operation of the school for £nil consideration and has been accounted for under the acquisition accounting method. The assets and liabilities donated to the academy trust have been valued at their fair value being a reasonable estimate of the current market value that the trustees would expect to pay in an open market for an equivalent item. Their fair value is in accordance with the accounting policies of the academy trust. The amounts have been recognised under the appropriate balance sheet categories, with a corresponding amount recognised in voluntary income in the Statement of Financial Activities and analysed under unrestricted funds, restricted general funds and restricted fixed asset funds. The value of assets donated is as follows:

Assets – Land and Buildings	£1,117,000
Other Fixed Assets	£ 36,931
Current Assets	£ 48,660
 Liabilities – Pension deficit	 £ 50,000

**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

**Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2016**

**1. Statement of accounting policies (continued)**

**Income (continued)**

**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 raising funds**

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

- **Charitable activities**

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

All resources expended are inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

**Tangible Fixed Assets**

Assets costing £500 or more are capitalised as tangible fixed assets and are carried at cost, net of depreciation and any provision for impairment.

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

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets other than freehold land, at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset on a straight-line basis over its expected useful life, as follows:

<b>Freehold and long leasehold</b>	
buildings	over 125 years
Building improvements	between 5-20 years
Plant and Machinery	over 5 years
Fixtures, fitting and equipment	over 5 years
Computer equipment	over 5 years

Assets in the course of construction are included at cost. Depreciation on these assets is not charged until they are brought into use.

**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

**Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2016**

**1. Statement of accounting policies (continued)**

**Tangible Fixed Assets (continued)**

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.

**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.

**Provisions**

Provisions are recognised when the academy trust has an obligation at the reporting date as a result of a past event which it is probable will result in the transfer of economic benefits and the obligation can be estimated reliably.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised within interest payable and similar charges.

**Leased Assets**

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

**Stock**

Stock is valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value.

**Taxation**

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

Accordingly, the academy trust is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by 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.

**Pension Benefits**

Retirement benefits to employees of the academy trust are provided by the Teachers' Pension Scheme ('TPS') and the Local Government Pension Scheme ('LGPS'). These are defined benefit schemes.

The TPS is an unfunded scheme and contributions are calculated so as to spread the cost of pensions over employees' working lives with the academy trust in such a way that the pension cost is a substantially level percentage of current and future pensionable payroll. The contributions are determined by the Government Actuary on the basis of quadrennial valuations using a prospective unit credit method. As stated in note 20, the TPS is a multi employer scheme and there is insufficient information available to use defined benefit accounting. The TPS is therefore treated as a defined contribution scheme and the contributions recognised in the period to which they relate.

**Darrington Church of England Primary School**

**Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2016**

**1. Statement of accounting policies (continued)**

**Pension Benefits (continued)**

The LGPS is a funded 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.

**Fund Accounting**

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

Restricted fixed asset funds are resources which are to be applied to specific capital purposes imposed by the funders where the asset acquired or created is held for a specific purpose.

Restricted general funds comprise all other restricted funds received with restrictions imposed by the funder/donor and include grants from the Education Funding Agency.

**Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement**

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

**Critical accounting estimates and assumptions**

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

The present value of the Local Government Pension Scheme defined benefit liability depends on a number of factors that are determined on an actuarial basis using a variety of assumptions. The assumptions used in determining the net cost (income) for pension 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 2013 has been used by the actuary in valuing the pensions liability at 31 August 2016. 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 judgement**

There are no critical areas of judgement throughout the year.

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**2. Donations and capital grants**

	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>Total 2016 £</b>	<b>Total 2015 £</b>
Capital grants	-	95,255	95,255	77,968
Donated fixed assets	-	-	-	-
Other donations	4,740	-	4,740	-
	<hr/> 4,740	<hr/> 95,255	<hr/> 99,995	<hr/> 77,968

**3. Funding for the Academy Trust's educational operations**

	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>Total 2016 £</b>	<b>Total 2015 £</b>
<b>DfE/EFA revenue grants</b>				
General Annual Grant (GAG)	-	465,452	465,452	474,684
Start up grant	-	-	-	-
Other EFA grants	-	63,732	63,732	55,707
	<hr/> -	<hr/> 529,184	<hr/> 529,184	<hr/> 530,391
<b>Other government grants</b>				
Local authority grants	23,089	3,911	27,000	30,848
Specialised educational projects	-	-	-	-
 Other income from the academy trusts educational operations	 -	 -	 -	 -
	<hr/> 23,089	<hr/> 3,911	<hr/> 27,000	<hr/> 30,848
	<hr/> 23,089	<hr/> 533,095	<hr/> 556,184	<hr/> 561,239



## 1. Statement of accounting policies (continued)

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2016 £	Total 2015 £
Catering income	5,602	-	5,602	5,659
Trips	-	12,409	12,409	2,243
Lettings income	735	-	735	888
Music services income	-	4,790	4,790	2,652
Other income	12,282	-	12,282	2,643
	<u>18,619</u>	<u>17,199</u>	<u>35,818</u>	<u>14,085</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2016 £	Total 2015 £
Bank interest received	173	-	173	109

	Staff Costs £	Premises £	Other Costs £	Total 2016 £	Total 2015 £
Expenditure on raising funds	-	-	-	-	32,288
Academy's educational operations:					
Direct costs	198,985	-	16,396	215,381	201,028
Allocated support costs	208,051	20,783	138,211	367,045	288,544
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
Total	407,036	20,783	154,607	582,426	521,860

Net income/expenditure for the year include:	Total 2016 £	Total 2015 £
Operating lease rentals	10,023	5,140
Fees payable to auditor - audit	8,160	4,500
other services	4,270	2,200
Accountancy fees	-	-
Depreciation	27,243	22,399
Redundancy	14,483	-

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**7. Charitable activities**

	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>Total 2016 £</b>	<b>Total 2015 £</b>
<b>Direct costs – educational operations</b>		215,381	215,381	233,316
<b>Support costs – educational operations</b>	12,117	354,928	367,045	288,544
	<u>12,117</u>	<u>570,309</u>	<u>582,426</u>	<u>521,860</u>
	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Funds £</b>	<b>Total 2016 £</b>	<b>Total 2015 £</b>
<b>Analysis of support costs</b>				
Support staff costs	-	208,051	208,051	179,711
Depreciation	-	27,242	27,242	22,399
Technology costs	-	15,644	15,644	17,680
Premises costs	-	20,783	20,783	(3,572)
Other support costs	12,117	45,194	57,311	30,752
Governance costs	-	38,014	38,014	41,574
	<u>12,117</u>	<u>354,928</u>	<u>367,045</u>	<u>288,544</u>

**8. Staff costs**

	<b>Total 2016 £</b>	<b>Total 2015 £</b>
<b>a) Staff costs</b>		
Staff costs during the period were		
Wages and salaries	288,108	290,179
Social Security costs	16,705	21,330
Operating costs of defined benefit pension schemes	43,192	62,545
	<u>348,005</u>	<u>374,054</u>
Supply teacher costs	44,548	23,673
Staff restructuring costs	14,483	-
	<u>407,036</u>	<u>397,727</u>
Staff restructuring costs comprise:		
Redundancy payments	14,483	-
Severance payments	-	-
Other restructuring costs	-	-
<b>b) Non statutory/non-contractual staff severance payments</b>		

Included in staff restructuring costs are non-statutory/non-contractual severance payments totalling £nil (2015: £nil).

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**8. Staff costs (continued)**

c) Staff numbers

The average number of persons (including senior management team) employed by the Academy during the period was as follows:

	2016	2015
<b>Charitable Activities</b>		
Teachers	4	4
Administration and support	11	14
Management	2	2
	<hr/> 17	<hr/> 20

d) Higher paid staff

The number of employees whose emoluments exceeded £60,000 was

-	-
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e) Key management personnel

The key management personnel of the academy trust comprises the trustees and the senior management team as listed on page 1. The total amount of employee benefits (including employer pension contributions) received by key management personnel for their services to the academy trust was £133,856 (2015: £141,633)

**9. Related party transactions – governors' remuneration and expenses**

Principal and other staff trustees only receive remuneration in respect of services they provide undertaking the roles of principal and staff and not in respect of their services as trustees. Michelle Wraith received payments of £3,680 (2015: £4,984) from the academy for supply teaching services. Other trustees did not receive any payments, other than expenses, from the academy trust in respect of their role as trustees.

The value of the trustee's remuneration was as follows;

Mrs. L. Ranby (Headteacher)

Remuneration £30,000 - £35,000 (2015 £45,000 - £50,000)

Employers Pension Contributions £5,000 - £10,000 (2015 £5,000 - £10,000)

Mrs. S. Wilton (Deputy Headteacher)

Remuneration £25,000 - £30,000 (2015 £nil)

Employers Pension Contributions £0-£5000 (2015 £nil)

Mrs Wilton became a governor on 20 January 2016, the above figures the reflect the remuneration and pension costs from the 1 February 2016 to 31 August 2016.

Miss. L. Sykes

Remuneration £nil (2015 £10,000 - £15,000)

Employers Pension Contributions £nil (2015 £0 - £5000)

Miss Sykes was not a governor during the year ended 31 August 2016.

During the year ended 31 August 2016, travel and subsistence expenses totalling £429 were reimbursed or paid directly to two trustees (2015: £323 to one trustee).

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**10. 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 cover provides cover up to £5,000,000 on any one claim, and the cost for the period ended 31 August 2016 was £4,639 (2015: £4,742).

The cost of this insurance is included in the total insurance cost.

**11. Tangible assets**

	<b>Leasehold Land and Buildings £</b>	<b>Fixtures and Fittings £</b>	<b>Computer Equipment £</b>	<b>Plant and Equipment £</b>	<b>Total £</b>
<b>Cost</b>					
At 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2015	1,219,229	44,089	-	-	1,263,318
Additions	85,360	2,853	-	-	88,213
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
<b>At 31 August 2016</b>	<b>1,304,589</b>	<b>46,942</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,351,531</b>
<b>Depreciation</b>					
At 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2015	22,983	15,738	-	-	38,721
Charge for the year	17,852	9,391	-	-	27,243
Eliminated on disposal	-	-	-	-	-
<b>At 31 August 2016</b>	<b>40,835</b>	<b>25,129</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>65,964</b>
<b>Net Book Values</b>					
At 31 August 2016	1,263,754	21,813	-	-	1,285,567
<b>At 31<sup>st</sup> August 2015</b>	<b>1,196,246</b>	<b>28,351</b>			<b>1,224,597</b>

**12. Debtors**

	<b>Total 2016 £</b>	<b>Total 2015 £</b>
Trade Debtors	1,275	916
Prepayments and accrued income	20,829	16,890
Other debtors	-	-
VAT recoverable	20,305	6,606
	<b>42,409</b>	<b>24,412</b>

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**13. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year**

	<b>Total 2016 £</b>	<b>Total 2015 £</b>
Trade creditors	73,206	17,877
Other taxes and social security	-	2,570
Other creditors	4,789	5,904
Accruals and deferred income	62,933	30,350
	<hr/> 140,928	<hr/> 56,701
Deferred income		
Deferred income at 1 September 2015	24,450	35,371
Released from previous years	(24,450)	(35,371)
Resources deferred in the year	47,691	24,450
	<hr/> 47,691	<hr/> 24,450
Deferred income at 31 August 2016		

**14. Funds**

	<b>Balance 01/09/15 £</b>	<b>Incoming Resources £</b>	<b>Resources Expenses £</b>	<b>Gains, Losses &amp; Transfers £</b>	<b>Balance 31/08/16 £</b>
<b>Restricted general funds</b>					
General annual grant (GAG)	41,009	470,645	(448,225)	1,850	65,279
Other DfE/EFA grants	-	63,732	(63,732)	-	-
Other grants	-	3,911	(3,911)	-	-
Other income	-	17,199	(17,199)	-	-
Pension deficit	(81,000)	-	(10,000)	(153,000)	(244,000)
	<hr/> (39,991)	<hr/> 555,487	<hr/> (543,067)	<hr/> (151,150)	<hr/> (178,721)
<b>Restricted fixed asset funds</b>					
DfE/EFA capital grants and	72,420	90,062	10,615	-	173,097
Capital expenditure from GAG	36,967	-	(28,075)	(1,850)	7,042
Donations from ERYC	1,115,210	-	(9,782)	-	1,105,428
	<hr/> 1,224,597	<hr/> 90,062	<hr/> (27,242)	<hr/> (1,850)	<hr/> 1,285,567
<b>Total restricted funds</b>	<hr/> 1,184,606	<hr/> 645,549	<hr/> (570,309)	<hr/> (153,000)	<hr/> 1,106,846
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<hr/> 39,179	<hr/> 46,621	<hr/> (12,117)	<hr/> -	<hr/> 73,683
<b>Total funds</b>	<hr/> 1,223,785	<hr/> 692,170	<hr/> (582,426)	<hr/> (153,000)	<hr/> 1,180,529

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**14. Funds (continued)**

The GAG may only be spent in compliance with the academy's funding agreement.

Other grants include:

Early Years Funding – the government provides funding for all 3 to 4 year old children, starting from the funding period after their third birthday until they start school, to attend an Ofsted registered early years childcare setting.

**15. Analysis of net assets between funds**

Fund balances at 31 August 2016 are represented by:

	<b>Unrestricted Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted General Funds £</b>	<b>Restricted Fixed Asset Funds £</b>	<b>Total 2016 £</b>	<b>Total 2015 £</b>
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	1,285,567	1,285,567	1,224,597
Current assets	73,683	206,207	-	279,890	136,889
Current liabilities	-	(140,928)	-	(140,928)	(56,701)
Pension scheme liability	-	(244,000)	-	(244,000)	(81,000)
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
<b>Total net assets</b>	73,683	(178,721)	1,285,567	1,180,529	1,223,785
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**16. Capital commitments**

	<b>Total 2016 £</b>	<b>Total 2015 £</b>
Contracted for, but not provided in the financial statements	-	-
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**17. Commitments under operating leases**

	<b>Total 2016 £</b>	<b>Total 2015 £</b>
At 31 August 2016 the Academy Trust's future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases was:		
Amounts due within one year	7,700	7,699
Amounts due between one and five years	4,245	11,944
Amounts due after five years	-	-
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	11,945	19,643
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**18. Contingent liabilities**

There are no contingent liabilities.

**19. 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 member, such amount as may be required, not exceeding £10 for the debts and liabilities contracted before he/she ceases to be a member.

**20. Pension and similar obligations**

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

The latest actuarial valuation of the TPS related to the period ended 31 March 2012 and of the LGPS 31 March 2013.

Contributions amounting to £4,762 (2015 £5,836) were payable to the schemes at 31 August 2016 and are included within creditors.

**Teachers' Pension Scheme**

**Introduction**

The Teachers' Pension Scheme (TPS) is a statutory, contributory, defined benefit scheme, governed by the Teachers' Pensions Regulations (2010) and, from 1 April 2014, by the Teachers' Pension Scheme Regulations 2014. Membership is automatic for full-time teachers in academies and, from 1 January 2007, automatic for teachers in part-time employment following appointment or a change of contract, although they are able to opt out.

The TPS is an unfunded scheme and members contribute on a 'pay as you go' basis – these contributions along with those made by employers are credited to the Exchequer. Retirement and other pension benefits are paid by public funds provided by Parliament.

Not less than every four years 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. 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 2012 and in accordance with the Public Service Pensions (Valuations and Employer Cost Cap) Directions 2014. The valuation report was published by the Department for Education on 9 June 2014. The key elements of the valuation and subsequent consultation are:

- employer contribution rates set at 16.48% of pensionable pay (including a 0.08% employer administration charge (prior year 14.1%))
- total scheme liabilities (pensions currently in payment and the estimated cost of future benefits) for service to the effective date of £191,500 million, and notional assets (estimated future contributions together with the notional investments held at the valuation date) of £176,600 million giving a notional past service deficit of £14,900 million
- an employer cost cap of 10.9% of pensionable pay will be applied to future valuations
- the assumed real rate of return is 3.0% in excess of prices of earnings the rate of real earnings growth is assumed to be 2.75%. The assumed notional rate of return is 5.06%.

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**20. Pension and similar obligations (continued)**

**Valuation of the Teachers' Pension Scheme**

During the previous year the employer contribution rate was 14.1%. The TPS valuation for 2012 determined an employer rate of 16.4% which was payable from September 2015. The next valuation of the TPS will be as at March 2016, whereupon the employer contribution rate is expected to be reassessed and will be payable from 1 April 2019.

The employer's pension costs paid to TPS in the period amounted to £27,140 (2015:£25,586).

A copy of the valuation report and supporting documentation is on the [Teachers' Pension website](#).

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

**Local Government Pension Scheme**

The LGPS is a funded defined benefit scheme, with the assets held in separate trustee administered funds. The total contributions for the period ended 31 August 2016 was £22,043 (2015: £22,429), of which employers contributions totalled £16,052 (2015: £12,039) and employees contributions totalled £5,991 (2015: £10,390). The agreed contribution rates for future years are between 14.80% and 17.00% for employers and 5.50% to 7.50% for employees dependent on their earnings.

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.

<b>Principal actuarial assumptions</b>	<b>At 31 August 2016</b>	<b>At 31 August 2015</b>
Rate of increase in salaries	3.40%	3.50%
Rate of increase for pensions in payment/inflation	1.90%	2.00%
Discount rate for scheme liabilities	2.00%	3.80%
Inflation assumption (CPI)	1.90%	2.00%
Commutation of pensions to lump sums	75.00%	75.00%

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

	<b>At 31 August 2016</b>	<b>At 31 August 2015</b>
Retiring today		
Males	22.7	22.6
Females	25.6	24.8
Retiring in 20 years		
Males	24.9	25.5
Females	28.0	27.8

The academy trusts share of the assets in the scheme were:



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**20. Pension and similar obligations (continued)**

	Fair value as at 31 August 2016 £	Fair value as at 31 August 2015 £
Equity instruments	260,148	205,275
Debt instruments	50,204	38,250
Property	15,648	11,475
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Total market value of assets	326,000	255,000
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The actual return on the scheme assets was £50,000 (2015: £4,000).

Amounts recognised in the statement of financial activities	2016 £	2015 £
Current service cost (net of employee contributions)	23,000	30,000
Net interest cost	3,000	2,000
Benefit changes, gain/(loss) on curtailment and gain/(loss) on settlement	-	-
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Total operating charge	26,000	32,000
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**Changes in the present value of defined benefit obligations were as follows:**

	2016 £	2015 £
At 1 September 2015	336,000	304,000
Current service cost	23,000	30,000
Interest cost	13,000	11,000
Employee contributions	6,000	7,000
Actuarial (gain)/loss	193,000	(15,000)
Benefits paid	(1,000)	(1,000)
Plan introductions, benefit changes, curtailments and settlements	-	-
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At 31 August 2016	570,000	336,000
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**20. Pension and similar obligations (continued)**

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

	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
At 1 September 2015	255,000	225,000
Interest income	10,000	9,000
Return on plan assets (excluding net interest on the net defined Pension liability)	-	-
Actuarial (loss)/gain	40,000	(5,000)
Employer contributions	16,000	20,000
Employee contributions	6,000	7,000
Benefits paid	(1,000)	(1,000)
Plan introductions, benefit changes, curtailments and settlements	-	-
	<hr/>	<hr/>
At 31 August 2016	326,000	255,000
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**21. Related party transactions**

Owing to the nature of the Academy's operations and the composition of the board of governors being drawn from local public and private sector organisations, it is inevitable that transactions will take place with organisations in which a member of the board of governors may have an interest. All transactions involving such organisations are conducted at arm's length and in accordance with the Academy's financial regulations and normal procurement procedures.

**22. Events after the end of the reporting period**

There are no events to report since the end of the reporting date to the date of approval of the financial statements.