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THE C	AM ACADEMY TRUST
(A comp	pany limited by guarantee)

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

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Mr J. Dix (resigned 6 February 2020)
Dr G. Johnson (resigned 31 August 2020)

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Mr M. Goodridge Mr C. Greenhalgh CBE

Mr J. Hartley

Ms T. Kelleher (resigned 20 November 2019)

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number

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

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team

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Mr M. Norman, Director of Finance and Operations

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Mr C. Jukes, Primary Executive Leader

Mr C. Bennet, Headteacher, St. Peter's School, Huntingdon

Mrs R. Lee, Head of Hartford Infant School Mr S. Davis, Head of Hartford Junior School

Mrs S. Wright, Head of Jeavons Wood Primary School Mrs A. Russell, Head of Everton Heath Primary School Mr D. Jones, Head of Thongsley Fields Primary School

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TRUSTEES' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

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

The trust operates 11 primary / secondary academies in Cambridgeshire. Its academies had a combined pupil roll of 6,339 (October 2019 cencus).

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 trustees of The Cam Academy Trust are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law. The charitable company is known as The Cam Academy Trust.

Details of the trustees who served during the year 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 amount as may be required, not exceeding £10, for the debts and liabilities contracted before they ceased to be a member.

Trustees' Indemnities

The Academy Trust has purchased insurance through the RPA to cover Members and Directors and Officers from claims arising from negligent acts, errors or omissions occurring whilst on Trust Business. Such qualifying third party indemnity provision has a limit of £10,000,000.

Method of Recruitment and Appointment or Election of Trustees

Trustees are recruited by the Board depending upon perceived need (including an audit of trustee skills) and known opportunities to bring highly capable and experienced people onto the Board. Trustees are appointed by the Members on the recommendation of the Board.

Policies and Procedures Adopted for the Induction and Training of Trustees

The training and induction provided for new Trustees will depend on their existing experience. Where necessary, induction will provide training on charity and educational legal and financial matters. All new Trustees are given a tour of the academies and the chance to meet with staff and students.

All Trustees are provided with copies of policies, procedures, minutes, accounts, budgets, plans and other documents that they will need to undertake their role as Trustees. As there are normally few new Trustees a year, induction tends to be done informally and is tailored specifically to the individual.

Consideration is given to progression at recruitment as well as during the fulfillment of their role.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Organisational Structure

Certain strategic decisions are reserved for the Board to make final decisions upon. These include: the appointment of Principals to any schools in the Trust; all decisions regarding the potential addition of new schools into the Trust, including decisions to make Free School proposals; final decisions on budgets for all schools in the Trust and the over arching Trust budget (following suggestions from Local Governing Bodies); confirmation of all policies that operate at Trust level; and decisions and confirmations regarding key Trust priorities that are expected to drive development and inform priorities for each school within the Trust. Trust staff are then expected to see through these key areas and ensure high standards in each school. Local Governing Bodies carry out local governance matters within these over arching Trust parameters. The CEO is the named accounting officer for the Trust.

Employment of Disabled Persons

The trust's policy is to give full and fair consideration to applications for employment made by disabled persons, having regard for their particular aptitudes and abilities.

Employees with disabilities receive appropriate training to promote their career development within the trust. Employees who become disabled are retained in their existing posts where possible or retrained for suitable alternative posts.

Employee Involvement

The trust is an equal opportunities employer and its policies for the recruitment, training, career development and promotion of employees are based on the relevant merits and abilities of the individuals concerned. This is regardless of race, colour, ethnic or national origin, religious belief, political opinion or affiliation, sex, marital status, sexual orientation, gender reassignment, age or disability.

Engagement with Suppliers, Customers and Others in a Business Relationship with the Trust

The Trustees have implemented clear policies and procedures for dealing fairly with suppliers. Formal orders are placed and agreed payment terms adhered to as reported in the Payment Practices Reports filed every six months. To ensure service continuity during and after the current coronavirus outbreak the Trust has followed the guidelines of the Government Procurement Policy Note (PPN) that sets out information and guidance for public bodies on payment of their suppliers.

The Trustees consider pupils and parents to be their "customers". Whilst pupils encounter engagement on a daily basis, engagement with parents is carried out through regular newsletters and face to face meetings.

Arrangements for Setting Pay and Remuneration of Key Management Personnel

There is no remuneration agreement for any Trustee with the exception of the Chief Executive Officer. The Board of Trustees (excluding the Chief Executive Officer) reviews the Chief Executive Officer's pay on at least an annual basis and the Chair of the Board approves any pay review.

The Board of Trustees review and approve the pay for the Senior Leadership Team on at least an annual basis and in making such determinations they take into account a range factors including; the nature of the post, the level of qualifications, skills and experience required, market conditions, the wider school context and external activity and achievement against performance targets.

Related Parties and other Connected Charities and Organisations

Details of all related party transactions are set out in Note 29. In addition there are a number of 'Friends Of' associations connected to individual schools which perform fundraising activities.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Trade Union Facility Time

During the year the academy had no employees who were paid trade union officials.

Objectives and Activities

Objects and Aims

The over arching aim is to provide excellent education for all pupils in all of the Trust schools. This over arching aim is articulated through 6 core principals/aims:

- Educational excellence
- A comprehensive education for all types of pupils
- Broad education for all pupils
- Schools rooted in and serving their community
- Schools working strongly in partnership with others
- A clear international dimension to education

Objectives, Strategies and Activities

Priorities for development are stated as:

- Development of Primary Schools within the locally based Trust
- Submitting of Free School proposals where these are required within the local area of the Trust
- Seeking to work in appropriate effective partnership with other local trusts
- Further development of Sixth Form provision in the local area

Public Benefit

The Trustees have reviewed the objectives and activities of the charity as detailed above and are satisfied that they are for the public benefit as detailed in the Charity Commission guidance note on this subject.

Strategic Report

Achievements and Performance

The Trust has continued to develop and grow within its clear and strategic remit of being a locally based, cross phase Trust seeking to provide excellent education for all pupils in all of its schools and to serve its local communities. The following specific developments have taken place:

- Offord Primary School near Huntingdon joined the Trust in September 2019
- Offord Primary School and Everton Heath Primary School are working closely together to provide a strong and sustainable educational provision
- A Primary high-functioning autistic provision has now been established
- Plans have been agreed to establish a new Sixth Form provision at Cambourne Village College from September 2023.

The Trust's Secondary Schools all have live Ofsted grades. Formally measured pupil outcomes were in line with the current grades: Outstanding at Cambourne and Comberton Village Colleges and Good at Melbourn Village College and St Peter's School. There were no formal outcomes in Summer 2020 due to the current pandemic. However, all indications suggested that standards in all 4 secondary schools were at least in line with previous years.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

The Trust's Primary Schools have joined the Trust more recently than its Secondary Schools and thus only have two live Ofsted grades: 'Good' inspection outcomes have been received by both Gamlingay Village Primary and Hartford Junior School. In the case of Hartford Junior School, this was an improvement from the 'Requires Improvement' grade that the school had when joining the Trust. Due to the current pandemic, no formal pupil achievement outcomes were received by any of the primary schools in the Trust in Summer 2020. However, all indications suggested that outcomes were at least in line with those of previous years.

Key Performance Indicators

The overall financial position of the Trust, accounting for all of the schools in the Trust, is positive with costs kept within income. Budgets are set to maintain this situation. A Trust level reserve across all schools in the Trust has been established in line with the Trust's Reserve Policy at the upper end of the range of 3% to 5% of total income. This has strengthened the financial sustainability of all schools in the Trust.

Ofsted grades for the 11 schools in the Trust as of 31 August 2020 were as follows:

- 2 schools graded 'outstanding
- 2 school with a legacy 'outstanding' grade
- 5 schools graded 'good'
- 2 schools with no current Ofsted designation

An improvement trajectory is evident in those schools that were under performing when joining the Trust.

Going Concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the board of trustees 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.

Promoting the Success of the Company

The Trust has a strong track record of pupil achievement in its schools. Schools that were not performing as would have been wanted have shown clear and substantial improvement, sometimes as indicated by clearly improved Ofsted grades since joining the Trust. Education is based on a broad curriculum for all pupils in all schools and thus pupils develop wider skills as well as achieving well academically. This is the core of the substance of the Trust's work with all of its schools and it is this that is the proper measure of its success. This is appropriately communicated through the Trust's and the schools' websites and in other publications. Coupled with a very sound financial position and a strong central staffing infrastructure, it means that the Trust is well placed for further development.

High quality professional development is central to the approach of the Trust with all of its staff. All staff are able to develop their practice and their career through the opportunities provided. This ensures effective and motivated staff run the Trust's schools and help to promote the Trust effectively within the educational community.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Financial Review

The majority of the Trust's income is obtained from the ESFA (Education and Skills Funding Agency) in the form of the General Annual Grant ("GAG"), the use of which is restricted to particular purposes. The grants received from the ESFA during the period reported on and the associated expenditure are shown as restricted funds in the statement of financial activities.

During the period ended 31 August 2020, total expenditure was £45,373,000.

As 31 August 2020, the net book value of fixed assets was £122,654,000. The assets were used for providing education and the associated support services to the students of the Trust.

The Trust held fund balances at 31 August 2020 of £114,599,000, comprising of £4,064,000 of restricted funds (Net of pension deficit and fixed assets); a pension reserve deficit of £14,557,000 and a restricted fixed asset reserve of £125,092,000 which includes unspent capital grants of £2,438,000.

The Trust's non teaching staff are entitled to membership of the Local Government Pension Scheme. The Trust's share of the Scheme's assets is currently assessed to be less than its liabilities in the Scheme and consequently the Trust's balance sheet shows a net liability of £14,557,000. However, the deficit does not mean that an immediate liability for this amount crystallises. The contribution rate to reduce the liability is calculated by an independent actuary and is reported within the notes to the financial statements.

Reserves Policy

The Trustees aim to build the general reserves of the Trust to provide sufficient working capital to cover delays between spending and receipt of grant funding and to provide a cushion to deal with unexpected emergencies such as urgent maintenance. It also seeks to have reserves to support further developments with schools joining the Trust.

The Academy Trusts long term reserves policy is 3%-5% of total income. The level of free reserves at the year end was £3,226,000, being the GAG carry forward. This is forecasted to reduce in future years in line with the reserves policy.

Funds that can only be realised through the disposal of fixed assets amounts to £122,654,000.

Investment Policy

Should the level of free cash reserves held by the Trust exceed that which is necessary to service its on going working capital needs, the Trustees, with reference to the short and longer term forecasts will consider investment of any excess funds over an appropriate period, to maximise the return on any such surplus funds, while ensuring that risk is avoided insofar as is possible.

Principal Risks and Uncertainties

The Trust has overseen a full risk assessment across all of its schools and identified the high level risks across all of its schools and at Trust level with key mitigations against these that the Trust is able to take. Each school has and works on its individual school risk assessment overseen by the school's local governing body.

At overall Trust level, there are identified risks relating to pupil performance in the Trust's Primary Schools. These schools have recently entered the Trust and there are areas of needed improvement to ensure that there is a direction of securing excellent education for all pupils in all of our Primary Schools. Capacity has been developed to support this improvement and the work of both the Primary Executive Leader and the Director of Education is strongly focussed towards this.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Robust systems and checking mechanisms are in place across the Trust in order to guard against the risks that could have very great impact: child protection and safeguarding and health and safety. Given these, the likelihood of potential risks actually happening is seen as low but it is recognised that the impact would be very high should anything significant happen in these areas.

Since March 2020, the usual operation and business of all schools in the Trust was of course significantly impacted, as with wider society. Schools stayed open for the children of key workers and vulnerable children and from June opened to more pupils in line with national guidance. There were some additional costs incurred through the requirements to enable this but these were largely covered by a Government grant and the Trust did not obviously suffer a worsening financial position due to the pandemic. Great efforts were made to develop and strengthen remote learning for all pupils in all schools in order to continue to support education effectively. Whilst many pupils engaged very effectively, it is recognised that some groups of pupils found this more challenging. Support was provided, but some pupils will not have made the same educational progress as many during this time.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Streamlined Energy and Carbon Reporting

The Cam Academy Trust has 11 academies, all with their own boilers. 9 of these are gas fuelled and the remaining 2 academies do not have access to main gas supplies – fuel oil is therefore purchased. Electricity is purchased at all 11 academies. The academy trust owns 8 diesel-powered mini-buses and has approximately 113 members of staff who claim business mileage.

UK Greenhouse gas emissions and energy use data for the period 1 September 2019 to 31 August 2020	2019/20
Energy consumption used to calculate emissions (kWh)	6,6695,236
Energy consumption break down (kWh) (optional):	
• gas 4,602,211	
 electricity 2,285,717 	
• transport fuel 107,308	
Scope 1 emissions in metric tonnes CO2e	
Gas consumption	846.21
Owned transport – mini-buses	4.49
Total Scope 1	850.70
Scope 2 emissions in metric tonnes CO2e	
Purchased electricity	532.89
Scope 3 emissions in metric tonnes CO2e	
Business travel in employee owned vehicles	25.15
Total gross emissions in metric tonnes CO2e	1408.756
Intensity ratio Tonnes CO2e per pupil	0.224

Quantification and Reporting Methodology

We have followed the 2019 HM Government Environmental Reporting Guidelines. We have also used the GHG Reporting Protocol – Corporate Standard and have used the 2020 UK Government's Conversion Factors for Company Reporting.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Intensity Measurement

The chosen intensity measurement ratio is total gross emissions in metric tonnes CO2e per pupil, the recommended ratio for the sector.

Emissions data (tCO2e) compared with an appropriate business activity (pupil numbers as per Autumn census) 1408.75 tCO2e/6,301 pupils = 0.224 tCO2e per pupil

Measures Taken to Improve Efficiency

The Trust have installed solar PV panels at 5 Academies (Comberton Village College x2, Melbourn Village College x2, Hartford Infant School, Hartford Junior School and Gamlingay Village Primary) and have undertaken LED lighting upgrades as part of the Re-fit initiative with Cambridgeshire County Council and Bouygues at all these Academies plus Cambourne Village College.

Plans for Future Periods

The three key stated priorities for development are:

- To develop more Primary Schools within the Trust in the local area.
- To submit further Free School proposals where new schools are required within the Trust's local area or develop existing sites.
- To develop appropriate joint working with other local Trusts for the benefit of local education provision

The appointment of a new Primary Executive Leader, who started working for the Trust in 2017, was important in enabling the Primary School development that has taken place and can develop further. Primary development is seen as crucial to develop the strongest possible educational model that can have the greatest impact in achieving the core aims of the Trust.

Past experience has shown also that opening a new school can enable the Trust to ensure that its core educational aims are enshrined in a school from the outset and have a very positive impact (the Free School within the Trust has already been graded as 'outstanding'). We are looking at further possible new schools in known future population developments in the Trust's local area.

Further areas of the Trust's development now being looked at seriously are:

- The extending of the provision at some of the Trust's schools. This includes both adding pre-school
 provision to current Primary Schools and a Sixth Form to current 11-16 secondary schools.
- The possibility of developing a new cluster within the Trust that is not necessarily within the Trust's traditional very local area. This possibility is encouraged by the effective ways of working remotely that have been confirmed and developed considerably during the pandemic.

Funds Held as Custodian Trustee on Behalf of Others

There are no funds held as Custodian Trustees on behalf of others for the year ending 31 August 2020.

TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Auditor

Insofar as the trustees are aware:

- There is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditor is unaware.
- The trustees 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.

The Trustees' report, incorporating a strategic report, was approved by order of the Board of Trustees, as the company directors, on 16 December 2020 and signed on its behalf by:

Mrs S Williamson Chair of Trustees

GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

Scope of responsibility

As Trustees, we acknowledge we have overall responsibility for ensuring that The Cam Academy 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.

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

The board of Trustees has delegated the day-to-day responsibility to the Chief Executive Officer, 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 The Cam Academy Trust and the Secretary of State for Education. They are also responsible for reporting to the board of Trustees any material weaknesses or breakdowns in internal control.

GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (CONTINUED)

Governance

The information on governance included here supplements that described in the Trustees' report and in the Statement of Trustees' responsibilities. The Board of Trustees has formally met 4 times during the year.

Attendance during the year at meetings of the Board of Trustees was as follows:

Trustee	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
Mrs S. Williamson, Chair	4	4
Mr S. Munday CBÉ	4	4
Mr M. Goodridge	3	4
Mr C. Greenhalgh CBE	2	4
Mr J. Hartley	2	4
Ms T. Kelleher	1	1
Mr S. Krintas	3	4
Mr G. Pearson	4	4
Mr A. Read	3	4
Dr K. Stutchbury	4	4
Dr N. Walshe	3	4
Mr R. Warsap	4	4

During the year the Academy Trust reviewed the skills base of the board and members and where able to make additional appointments. In addition the structure was amended to incorporate members independent of the Board of Trustees.

During the year, the Board of Trustees met 4 times. The Trustees are satisfied that they have maintained effective oversight of funds on the basis of the regularity of receipt of financial reports and the additional meetings of sub-committees throughout the year. In Addition to the Resources and Finance Committee and Audit and Risk Committee, the Trust also has two further committees that meet on a regular basis, these are (i) Curriculum and Standard committee, (ii) Community and partnership. These both meet 4 times a year.

The Resources & finance committee is a sub committee of the main Board of Trustees. Its purpose is to:

- Oversee the budgetary situation in each of the Trust's school, ensuring that budgets are on track with the budgets that have been set
- Oversee the total financial position of the Trust and make strategic suggestions for the Board about key future financial decisions and suggested required strategic actions
- Oversee the setting and monitoring of the central staff budget
- Oversee the principle of good value through the Trust's budget
- Confirm key HR recommendations for Trust Board approval.

Attendance during the year at meetings was as follows:

rustee Meetings attended		Out of a possible
Mr J. Hartley	5	6
Mr S. Munday	6	6
Mr S. Krintas	6	6
Mr M. Goodridge	5	6

GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (CONTINUED)

Governance (continued)

The Audit and Risk Committee is also a sub committee of the main board of trustees. Its purpose is to

- Oversee the risk and control framework of the Trust
- Oversee the internal & external audit process.

Attendance during the year at meetings was as follows:

Trustee / Members	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
Mr J. Dix	4	4
Mr S. Munday	4	4
Mr G. Pearson	4	4
Mrs J. Womack	4	4

Review of value for money

As accounting officer, the Chief Executive Officer 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 Academy Trust's use of its resources has provided good value for money during each academic year, and reports to the board of Trustees where value for money can be improved, including the use of benchmarking data where appropriate. The accounting officer for the Academy Trust has delivered improved value for money during the year by:

- Insisting that all appropriate financial protocols regarding best value on all contracts are properly followed by relevant staff.
- Clarifying with the Heads of each school that resources are committed where they have the greatest impact upon educational standards for pupils in the school.
- Encouraging new ways of working across the Trust and involving all schools that can secure
 economies for all schools and thus maximise the resource available for committing to high quality
 education.
- Using the resources of the Trust to employ high quality staff with appropriate expertise who can ensure
 excellent use of resources by schools and support the achievement of very high standards for all pupils in
 all schools.

The purpose of the system of internal control

The system of internal control is designed to manage risk to a reasonable level rather than to eliminate all risk of failure to achieve policies, aims and objectives. It can, therefore, only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance of effectiveness. The system of internal control is based on an on-going process designed to identify and prioritise the risks to the achievement of Academy 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 in The Cam Academy Trust for the year 1 September 2019 to 31 August 2020 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements.

GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (CONTINUED)

Capacity to handle risk

The board of Trustees 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 board of Trustees is of the view that there is a formal ongoing process for identifying, evaluating and managing the Academy Trust's significant risks that has been in place for the year 1 September 2019 to 31 August 2020 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements. This process is regularly reviewed by the board of Trustees.

The risk and control framework

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

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

The board of Trustees has considered the need for a specific internal audit function and has decided to appoint CEFM as internal auditor.

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

Testing of the purchasing system; Testing of the income systems; and Testing of the payroll systems.

On a triannual basis, the internal auditor reports to the board of Trustees through the audit committee on the operation of the systems of control and on the discharge of the Trustees' financial responsibilities.

The Trust confirms that the internal audit function has been delivered in line with the ESFA's requirements and that no material control issues have arisen as a result of the reports.

GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (CONTINUED)

Review of effectiveness

As accounting officer, the Chief Executive Officer has responsibility for reviewing the effectiveness of the system of internal control. During the year in question the review has been informed by:

- on discharge of the Board of Trustees financial decisions to help the committee consider actions and assess year on year progress
- the work of the internal auditor;
- the work of the external auditor;
- the work of the 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 audit committee and a plan to address weaknesses and ensure continuous improvement of the system is in place.

Approved by order of the members of the Board of Trustees on 16 December 2020 and signed on their behalf by:

Mrs S Williamson Chair of Trustees Mr S Munday Accounting Officer

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STATEMENT ON REGULARITY, PROPRIETY AND COMPLIANCE

As accounting officer of The Cam Academy Trust I have considered my responsibility to notify the Academy Trust board of Trustees and the Education & Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) of material irregularity, impropriety and non-compliance with terms and conditions of all funding received by the Academy Trust, 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 2019.

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

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

Mr S Munday

Accounting Officer
Date: 16 December 2020

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

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

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial. Under company law, the Trustees 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 Trustees are required to:

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

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

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

Approved by order of the members of the Board of Trustees on 16 December 2020 and signed on its behalf by:

Mrs S Williamson Chair of Trustees

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CAM ACADEMY TRUST

Opinion

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

In our opinion the financial statements:

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

Basis for opinion

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

Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CAM ACADEMY TRUST (CONTINUED)

Other information

The Trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual report, other than the financial statements and our Auditor's report thereon. Other information includes the Reference and administrative details, the Trustees' report including the Strategic report, and the Governance statement. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

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

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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

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

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of our knowledge and understanding of the Academy Trust and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Trustees' report including the Strategic report.

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

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

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CAM ACADEMY TRUST (CONTINUED)

Responsibilities of trustees

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

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

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

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

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Academy Trust'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 Trust'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 Trust and its members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Robert Anderson (Senior statutory auditor)

for and on behalf of Streets Audit LLP

Chartered Accountants & Statutory Auditor

3 Wellbrook Court

Girton

Cambridge

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17 December 2020

INDEPENDENT REPORTING ACCOUNTANT'S ASSURANCE REPORT ON REGULARITY TO THE CAM ACADEMY TRUST AND THE EDUCATION AND SKILLS FUNDING AGENCY

In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 21 February 2019 and further to the requirements of the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) as included in the Academies Accounts Direction 2019 to 2020, we have carried out an engagement to obtain limited assurance about whether the expenditure disbursed and income received by The Cam Academy Trust during the year 1 September 2019 to 31 August 2020 have been applied to the purposes identified by Parliament and the financial transactions conform to the authorities which govern them.

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

Respective responsibilities of The Cam Academy Trust's accounting officer and the reporting accountant

The accounting officer is responsible, under the requirements of The Cam Academy Trust's funding agreement with the Secretary of State for Education dated 31 January 2011 and the Academies Financial Handbook, extant from 1 September 2019, for ensuring that expenditure disbursed and income received is applied for the purposes intended by Parliament and the financial transactions conform to the authorities which govern them.

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

Approach

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

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

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

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

Our audit work involved:

- a review of the Academy systems and controls and confirmation of their operation and effectiveness during the year;
- a detailed review of purchase transactions confirming the purpose, value for money and that appropriate tendering / quotation procedures had been followed in line with the Academy finance policy; and
- a review of the Internal Audit reports.

INDEPENDENT REPORTING ACCOUNTANT'S ASSURANCE REPORT ON REGULARITY TO THE CAM ACADEMY TRUST AND THE EDUCATION & SKILLS FUNDING AGENCY (CONTINUED)

Conclusion

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

Robert Anderson
Streets Audit LLP

Date: 17 December 2020

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2020 £000	Restricted funds 2020 £000	Restricted fixed asset funds 2020 £000	Total funds 2020 £000	Total funds 2019 £000
Income from:						
Donations and capital grants:	4					
Transfer on conversion from the local authority		32	(166)	2,636	2,502	10,077
Other donations and			(/	,	,	
capital grants		69	-	1,903	1,972	2,720
Charitable activities	5	586	37,393	-	37,979	37,408
Other trading activities	6	1,174	-	-	1,174	1,223
Investments	7	78	-	-	78	31
Teaching school	8	-	1,903		1,903	852
Total income		1,939	39,130	4,539	45,608	52,311
Expenditure on:						
Teaching school	9	-	2,028	-	2,028	857
Charitable activities	9	1,939	40,781	625	43,345	40,508
Total expenditure		1,939	42,809	625	45,373	41,365
Net (expenditure)/income			(3,679)	 3,914	235	10,946
Transfers between funds	19	_	1,110	(1,110)	-	-
Net movement in funds before other recognised						
gains/(losses)			(2,569)	2,804	235	10,946
Other recognised gains/(losses):						
Actuarial losses on defined benefit pension schemes	26	-	(391)	-	(391)	(4,434)
Net movement in funds		-	(2,960)	2,804	(156)	6,512

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT) (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2020 £000	Restricted funds 2020 £000	Restricted fixed asset funds 2020 £000	Total funds 2020 £000	Total funds 2019 £000
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward	19	-	(7,533)	122,288	114,755	108,243
Net movement in funds	19	-	(2,960)	2,804	(156)	6,512
Total funds carried forward		-	(10,493)	125,092	114,599	114,755

The Statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 29 to 63 form part of these financial statements.

THE CAM ACADEMY TRUST

(A company limited by guarantee) REGISTERED NUMBER: 07491945

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 AUGUST 2020

	Note		2020 £000		2019 £000
Fixed assets	11010		2000		2000
Tangible assets	16		122,654		120,604
		-	122,654		120,604
Current assets					
Debtors	17	986		2,639	
Cash at bank and in hand		9,167		6,334	
	_	10,153	<u></u>	8,973	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	18	(3,651)		(3,276)	
Net current assets	-		6,502		5,697
Total assets less current liabilities		-	129,156	_	126,301
Net assets excluding pension liability		-	129,156		126,301
Defined benefit pension scheme liability	26		(14,557)		(11,546)
Total net assets		-	114,599	=	114,755

THE CAM ACADEMY TRUST

(A company limited by guarantee) REGISTERED NUMBER: 07491945

BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED) AS AT 31 AUGUST 2020

Funds of the Academy Trust Restricted funds:	Note		2020 £000		2019 £000
Fixed asset funds	19	125,092		122,288	
Restricted income funds	19	4,064	_	4,013	
Restricted funds excluding pension asset	19	129,156		126,301	
Pension reserve	19	(14,557)		(11,546)	
Total restricted funds	19		114,599		114,755
Unrestricted income funds	19		-		-
Total funds		=	114,599	=	114,755

The financial statements on pages 24 to 63 were approved by the Trustees, and authorised for issue on 16 December 2020 and are signed on their behalf, by:

Mrs S Williamson Chair of Trustees

The notes on pages 29 to 63 form part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Cash flows from operating activities	Note	2020 £000	2019 £000
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Net cash provided by operating activities	21	1,031	2,991
Cash flows from investing activities	22	1,802	(2,102)
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year		2,833	889
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		6,334	5,445
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	23, 24	9,167	6,334
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The notes on pages 29 to 63 form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

1. Accounting policies

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

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

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

The Cam Academy Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

1.2 Going concern

The Trustees assess whether the use of going concern is appropriate i.e. whether there are any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the Academy Trust to continue as a going concern. The Trustees 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.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.3 Income

All incoming resources are recognised when the Academy Trust has entitlement to the funds, the receipt is probable and the amount can be measured reliably.

Grants

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 income is received, the income is accrued.

General Annual Grant is recognised in full in the Statement of financial activities in the year for which it is receivable and any abatement in respect of the year is deducted from income and recognised as a liability.

Capital grants are recognised in full when there is an unconditional entitlement to the grant. Unspent amounts of capital grants are reflected in the Balance sheet in the restricted fixed asset fund. Capital grants are recognised when there is entitlement and are not deferred over the life of the asset on which they are expended.

Donations

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

Other income

Other income, including the hire of facilities, is recognised in the year it is receivable and to the extent the Academy Trust has provided the goods or services.

Transfer on conversion

Where assets and liabilities are received by the Academy Trust on conversion to an academy, the transferred assets are measured at fair value and recognised in the Balance sheet at the point when the risks and rewards of ownership pass to the Academy Trust. An equal amount of income is recognised as a transfer on conversion within 'Income from Donations and Capital Grants' to the net assets received.

Transfer of existing academies into the Academy Trust

Where assets and liabilities are received on the transfer of an existing academy into the Academy Trust, the transferred assets are measured at fair value and recognised in the Balance sheet at the point when the risks and rewards of ownership pass to the Academy Trust. An equal amount of income is recognised for the transfer of an existing academy into the Academy Trust within 'Income from Donations and Capital Grants' to the net assets acquired.

1.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.4 Expenditure (continued)

• 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.

1.5 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Academy Trust; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

1.6 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.

1.7 Tangible fixed assets

Assets costing £2,500 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 and assets under construction, at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset on a straight-line basis over its expected useful life, as follows:

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Accounting policies (continued)

1.7 Tangible fixed assets (continued)

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Freehold property

Long-term leasehold property

Furniture and equipment

Computer equipment Motor vehicles

- straight line over 50 years

- straight line over 50 years

straight line over 3 and 10 yearsstraight line over 3 and 10 years

- straight line over 4 years

Long-term leasehold properties are not depreciated on the grounds of immateriality. Properties are subject to regular maintenance and repair such that in the Trustees opinion the residual value is not materially different from the value in the financial statements and have a long useful economic life. The Trustees consider the need for impairment at each period end.

1.8 Debtors

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

1.9 Cash at bank and in hand

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

1.10 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.

1.11 Financial instruments

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

Financial assets - trade and other debtors are basic financial instruments and are debt instruments measured at amortised cost as detailed in note 17. Prepayments are not financial instruments.

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

Financial liabilities - trade creditors, accruals and other creditors are financial instruments, and are measured at amortised cost as detailed in note 18. Taxation and social security are not included in the financial instruments disclosure definition. Deferred income is not deemed to be a financial liability, as the cash settlement has already taken place and there is an obligation to deliver services rather than cash or another financial instrument.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Accounting policies (continued)

1.12 Operating leases

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of financial activities on a straight line basis over the lease term.

1.13 Pensions

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

The TPS is an unfunded scheme and contributions are calculated so as to spread the cost of pensions over employees' working lives with the Academy 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. TPS is an unfunded multi-employer scheme with no underlying assets to assign between employers. Consequently, the TPS is treated as a defined contribution scheme for accounting purposes and the contributions recognised in the period to which they relate.

The LGPS is a funded multi-employer scheme and the assets are held separately from those of the Academy Trust in separate trustee administered funds. Pension scheme assets are measured at fair value and liabilities are measured on an actuarial basis using the projected unit credit method and discounted at a rate equivalent to the current rate of return on a high quality corporate bond of equivalent term and currency to the liabilities. The actuarial valuations are obtained at least triennially and are updated at each Balance sheet date. The amounts charged to operating surplus are the current service costs and the costs of scheme introductions, benefit changes, settlements and curtailments. They are included as part of staff costs as incurred. Net interest on the net defined benefit liability/asset is also recognised in the Statement of financial activities and comprises the interest cost on the defined benefit obligation and interest income on the scheme assets, calculated by multiplying the fair value of the scheme assets at the beginning of the period by the rate used to discount the benefit obligations. The difference between the interest income on the scheme assets and the actual return on the scheme assets is recognised in other recognised gains and losses.

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

1.14 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 Trustees.

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 Department for Education Group.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

2. Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgment

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

Critical accounting estimates and assumptions:

The Academy Trust 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.

Tangible fixed assets are recognised at cost or valuation, less accumulated depreciation and any impairments. Depreciation takes place over the estimated useful life, down to the assessed residual value. The carrying amount of the academy's fixed assets is tested as soon as changed conditions show that a need for impairment has arisen.

The present value of the Local Government Pension Scheme defined benefit liability depends on a number of factors that are determined on an actuarial basis using a variety of assumptions. The assumptions used in determining the net cost or income for pensions include the discount rate. Any changes in these assumptions, which are disclosed in note 26, will impact the carrying amount of the pension liability. Furthermore a roll forward approach which projects results from the latest full actuarial valuation performed at 31 March 2016 has been used by the actuary in valuing the pensions liability at 31 August 2020. Any differences between the figures derived from the roll forward approach and a full actuarial valuation would impact on the carrying amount of the pension liability.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

3. Conversion to an academy trust

On 1 September 2019 Offord Primary School converted to academy trust status under the Academies Act 2010 and all the operations and assets and liabilities were transferred to The Cam Academy Trust from Cambridgeshire County Council for £NIL consideration.

The transfer has been accounted for as a combination that is in substance a gift. The assets and liabilities transferred were valued at their fair value and recognised in the Balance sheet under the appropriate heading with a corresponding net amount recognised as a net gain in the Statement of financial activities as Income from Donations and Capital Grants - transfer from local authority on conversion.

The following table sets out the fair values of the identifiable assets and liabilities transferred and an analysis of their recognition in the Statement of financial activities.

Tangible fixed assets	Restricted funds £000	Restricted fixed asset funds £000	Total funds £000
Leasehold Property - Offord	-	2,636	2,636
Current assets			
Local Authority funds transferred - Offord	32		32
Non-current liabilities			
LGPS pension surplus/(deficit) upon conversion - Offord	(166)	-	(166)
Net (liabilities)/assets	(134)	2,636	2,502

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

4. Income from donations and capital grants

Unrestricted funds 2020 £000	Restricted funds 2020 £000	Restricted fixed asset funds 2020 £000	Total funds 2020 £000
32	(166)	2,636	2,502
32	(166)	2,636	2,502
69	-	-	69
-	•	1,903	1,903
69	-	1,903	1,972
101	(166)	4,539	4,474
Unrestricted funds 2019 £000	Restricted funds 2019 £000	Restricted fixed asset funds 2019 £000	Total funds 2019 £000
-	(284)	10,361	10,077
-	(284)	10,361	10,077
100			100
	<u>-</u>	2,020	2,620
100	-	2,620	2,720
100	(284) 	12,981	12,797
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

5. Funding for the Academy Trust's educational operations

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £000	Restricted funds 2020 £000	Total funds 2020 £000
DfE/ESFA grants			
General Annual Grant (GAG)	-	29,462	29,462
Pupil Premium	-	1,171	1,171
Other DfE/ESFA Grants	-	592	592
	-	31,225	31,225
Other government grants			
Local Authority Grants	-	3,609	3,609
Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme grant	-	122	122
	-	3,731	3,731
Other funding			
Other Income	586	2,437	3,023
	586	37,393	37,979

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

5. Funding for the Academy Trust's educational operations (continued)

	Unrestricted funds 2019 £000	Restricted funds 2019 £000	Total funds 2019 £000
DfE/ESFA grants			
General Annual Grant (GAG)	-	27,879	<i>27,87</i> 9
Pupil Premium	-	1,126	1,126
Other DfE/ESFA Grants	-	930	930
	-		29,935
Other government grants			
Local Authority Grants	-	2,470	2,470
			2,470
Other funding			
Other Income	881	4,122	5,003
	881	4,122	5,003
	881	36,527	37,408

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

6. Income from other trading activities

Uni	restricted funds 2020 £000	Total funds 2020 £000
Hire of facilities	147	147
Other income	1,027	1,027
	1,174 ———	1,174
U	nrestricted funds 2019	Total funds 2019
	£000	£000
Hire of facilities	214	214
Other income	1,009	1,009
	1,223	1,223

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

7.	Investment income		
		Unrestricted funds 2020 £000	Total funds 2020 £000
	Bank interest		78
		Unrestricted funds 2019 £000	Total funds 2019 £000
	Bank interest	=======================================	31
8.	Other incoming resources		
		Restricted funds 2020 £000	Total funds 2020 £000
	Teaching school	1,903	1,903
		Restricted funds 2019 £000	Total funds 2019 £000
	Teaching school	852	852

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

9. Expenditure

	Staff Costs 2020 £000	Premises 2020 £000	Other 2020 £000	Total 2020 £000
Expenditure on fundraising trading activities:				
Teaching school	-	-	2,028	2,028
Direct costs	26,581	-	4,046	30,627
Allocated support costs	6,740	2,076	3,902	12,718
	33,321	2,076	9,976	45,373
	Staff Costs 2019 £000	Premises 2019 £000	Other 2019 £000	Total 2019 £000
Expenditure on fundraising trading activities:				
Teaching school	-	-	857	857
Direct costs	23,271	-	4,698	27,969
Allocated support costs	6,577	3,186	2,776	12,539

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Analysis of expenditure by activities			
	Activities undertaken directly 2020 £000	Support costs 2020 £000	Total funds 2020 £000
Direct costs	30,627	12,718	43,345
	Activities undertaken directly 2019 £000	Support costs 2019 £000	Total funds 2019 £000
Direct costs	27,969 	12,539 	40,508
Analysis of support costs		Total funds 2020	Tota funds 2019
Staff costs Depreciation		£000 6,740 625	£000 6,577 705
Recruitment and support Maintenance of premises and equipment Cleaning		83 1,626 422	68 1,735 389
Rent and rates Energy costs Insurance		296 700 162	174 716 172
Security and transport Catering		28 577	23 816
Bank interest and charges Other support costs		44 1,415	36 1,128
		12,718	12,539

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11.	Net (expenditure)/income		
	Net (expenditure)/income for the year includes:		
		2020 £000	2019 £000
	Operating lease rentals	127	106
	Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	625	705
	Fees paid to auditor for:		
	- audit	26	26
	- other services	12 =	14
12.	Staff		
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	a. Staff costs		
	Staff costs during the year were as follows:		
		2020 £000	2019 £000
	Wages and salaries	23,594	22,334
	Social security costs	2,115	1,972
	Pension costs	7,285	5,032
		32,994	29,338
	Agency staff costs	327	481
	Staff restructuring costs	-	29
		33,321	29,848
	Staff restructuring costs comprise:		
		2020 £000	2019 £000
	Severance payments	-	29
			_0

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

Included in staff restructuring costs are non-statutory/non-contractual severance payments totalling \mathfrak{L} nil (2019 - \mathfrak{L} 11,095). The expense represents a single severance payment in the prior year.

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12. Staff (continued)

c. Staff numbers

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

2020 No.	2019 No.
52	50
414	<i>377</i>
603	552
1,069	979
	No. 52 414 603

d. Higher paid staff

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

	2020 No.	2019 No.
In the band £60,001 - £70,000	16	9
In the band £70,001 - £80,000	5	5
In the band £80,001 - £90,000	3	3
In the band £90,001 - £100,000	1	1
In the band £100,001 - £110,000	1	-
In the band £110,001 - £120,000	1	-
In the band £130,001 - £140,000	-	1

e. Key management personnel

The key management personnel of the Academy Trust comprise the Trustees and the senior management team as listed on page 1. The total amount of employee benefits (including employer pension contributions and employer national insurance contributions) received by key management personnel for their services to the Academy Trust was £1,737,000 (2019 £1,494,000).

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

13. Central services

The Academy Trust has provided the following central services to its academies during the year:

- CEO
- Director of Education
- Director of International Development
- Teaching and Learning Support
- Human Resources Services
- Central Finance
- IT Services
- Legal and Professional including external and internal audit
- Publicity
- Facilities Management

The Academy Trust charges for these services on the following basis:

4% of General Annual Grant.

The actual amounts charged during the year were as follows:

	2020 £000	2019 £000
Cambourne Village College	220	205
Comberton Village College	534	403
Melbourn Village College	126	119
St Peter's School, Huntingdon	228	217
Everton Heath Primary School	13	11
Gamlingay Village Primary School	43	43
Hartford Infant School	30	30
Hartford Junior School	38	<i>35</i>
Jeavons Wood Primary School	63	59
Thongsley Fields Primary School	49	<i>53</i>
Offord Primary School	19	-
Total	1,363	1,175

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14. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

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

 2020
 2019

 £000
 £000

 Mr S. Munday CBE, CEO and Accounting Officer
 Remuneration
 110 - 115
 130 - 135

Pension contributions paid 20 - 25

During the year ended 31 August 2020, no Trustee expenses have been incurred (2019 - £NIL).

15. Trustees' and Officers' insurance

In accordance with normal commercial practice, the Academy Trust has purchased insurance through the RPA to protect Trustees and officers from claims arising from negligent acts, errors or omissions occurring whilst on academy business. The insurance provides cover up to £1,000,000 on any one claim.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

16. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold property £000	Long-term leasehold property £000	Furniture and equipment £000	Motor vehicles £000	Total £000
Cost or valuation					
At 1 September 2019	75,698	52,817	4,495	4	133,014
Additions	-	2,636	39	-	2,675
At 31 August 2020	75,698	55,453	4,534	4	135,689
Depreciation					
At 1 September 2019	6,646	2,650	3,110	4	12,410
Charge for the year	-	- .	625	-	625
At 31 August 2020	6,646	2,650	3,735	4	13,035
Net book value					
At 31 August 2020	69,052	52,803	799	-	122,654
At 31 August 2019	69,052	50,167	1,385	-	120,604

Long-term leasehold property relates to 125 year leases from the relevant local authority.

Property values are based on ESFA valuations where available. Where not available other suitable methods are adopted by the Trustees.

During the year leasehold property has been transferred to the Trust on conversion from the local authority.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

17.	Debtors		
		2020 £000	2019 £000
	Due within one year		
	Trade debtors	127	1 <i>7</i> 5
	Other debtors	75	204
	Prepayments and accrued income	784	2,260
		986	2,639
18.	Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year		
		2020 £000	2019 £000
	Trade creditors	542	981
	Other taxation and social security	524	495
	Other creditors	2 505	39 1 761
	Accruals and deferred income	2,585	1,761
		3,651	3,276
		2020	2019
		£000	£000
	Deferred Income		
	Deferred income at 1 September	304	674
	Resources deferred during the year	387	304
	Amounts released from previous periods	(304)	(674)
	Deferred income at 31 August	387	304

Deferred income includes UIFSM income received in the year that relates to the 2020/21, school trips occurring in 2020/21 and provision of other services including transportation in 2020/21.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

19. Statement of funds

	Balance at 1 September 2019 £000	Income £000	Expenditure £000	Transfers in/out £000	Gains/ (Losses) £000	Balance at 31 August 2020 £000
Unrestricted funds	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000
General Funds		1,939	(1,939)	-	-	-
Restricted general funds						
General Annual Grant (GAG)	3,009	29,462	(30,355)	1,110	-	3,226
Other DfE/ESFA Grants Other	-	1,763	(1,763)	-	-	-
Government Grants	_	3,731	(3,731)	-	<u>-</u>	_
Other Income	_	519	(519)	_		_
Teaching School	225	1,903	(2,028)	_	-	100
School Funds	779	2,076	(2,117)	_	-	738
Pension reserve	(11,546)	(324)	(2,296)	-	(391)	(14,557)
	(7,533)	39,130	(42,809)	1,110	(391)	(10,493)
Restricted fixed asset funds						
Restricted Fixed Asset Funds	120,604	-	(625)	2,675	-	122,654
Unspent Capital Grants	1,684	4,539	-	(3,785)	-	2,438
	122,288	4,539	(625)	(1,110)	-	125,092
Total Restricted funds	114,755	43,669	(43,434)	-	(391)	114,599
Total funds	114,755	45,608	(45,373)	_	(391)	114,599

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

19. Statement of funds (continued)

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

Unrestricted Funds

General Funds represent those resources which may be used towards meeting any of the objects of the Trust at the discretion of the Trustees. These are not currently designated for particular purposes.

Restricted Funds

General Annual Grant (GAG) must be used for the normal running costs of the Trust.

Other DFE/ESFA Grants comprise of various grants awarded for specific projects, in particular to boost standards of attainment. Grants include Pupil Premium funding which is intended to support education from pupils from a disadvantaged background.

Other Government Grants includes funding provided for pupils with Statements of Special Educational Needs and is used by the trust to assist with student's education.

Other income comprises various other receipts including school meals. The income is classed as restricted or unrestricted based upon the nature of the income.

Teaching school relates to the income and associated expenditure of the Trust associated with its status as a teaching school.

The pension reserve represents the current deficit balance of the Local Government Pension Scheme.

Restricted Fixed Asset Funds

Restricted fixed asset funds represent monies received in respect of and spent on fixed assets. This includes assets inherited on conversion. The total of resources expended within this fund include the depreciation charge for the year. The transfers figure is the amount of other funds used to acquire fixed assets.

Under the funding agreement with the Secretary of State, the Academy Trust was not subject to a limit on the amount of GAG it could carry forward at 31 August 2020.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

19. Statement of funds (continued)

Total funds analysis by academy

Fund balances at 31 August 2020 were allocated as follows:

		Restricted		
	Academy C/fwd	School Funds	2020	2019
	£000	£000	£000	£000
Cambourne Village College	231	127	358	770
Comberton Village College	1	273	274	794
Melbourn Village College	260	117	377	537
St Peter's School, Huntingdon	261	159	420	543
Everton Heath Primary School	(29)	· .	(29)	(25)
Gamlingay Village Primary School	1	6	7	46
Hartford Infant School	181	-	181	201
Hartford Junior School	17	4	21	12
Jeavons Wood Primary School	87	26	113	199
Offord Primary School	13	2	15	_
Thongsley Fields Primary School	430	12	442	445
Teaching School	10	100	275	225
The CAM Trust	1,773	12	1,610	266
Total before fixed asset funds and pension reserve	3,226	838	4,064	4,013
Restricted fixed asset fund Pension reserve			125,092	122,288
1 61191011 1686146			(14,557)	(11,546)
Total			114,599	114,755

The following academy is carrying a net deficit on its portion of the funds as follows:

	Deficit £000
Everton Heath Primary School	(29)

Everton Heath Primary School is a small primary school that is suffering from lagged funding. In order to grow over the next 2-3 years a small deficit has been incurred.

The Academy Trust is taking the following action to return the academy to surplus:

A working party of Trustees and Governors has been established to review options to increase capacity of the school and turn the financial position back to positive.

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19. Statement of funds (continued)

Total cost analysis by academy

Expenditure incurred by each academy during the year was as follows:

	Teaching and educational support staff costs £000	Other support staff costs £000	Educational supplies £000	Other costs excluding depreciation £000	Total 2020 £000
Cambourne Village College	4,263	1,054	472	1,014	6,803
Comberton Village College	7,072	2,906	899	2,229	13,106
Melbourn Village college	2,368	514	88	833	3,803
St Peter's School, Huntingdon	4,873	786	127	1,277	7,063
Everton Heath Primary School	337	104	14	91	546
Gamlingay Village Primary School	1,037	200	28	273	1,538
Hartford Infant School	748	110	21	194	1,073
Hartford Junior School	924	141	41	216	1,322
Jeavons Wood Primary School	1,477	240	55	418	2,190
Thongsley Fields Primary School	1,156	214	29	293	1,692
Teaching School	7	53	863	363	1,286
The CAM Trust	1,901	392	-	1,431	3,724
Offord Primary School	418	26	25	133	602
Academy Trust	26,581	6,740	2,662	8,765	44,748

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

19. Statement of funds (continued)

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

	Teaching and educational support staft costs £000	Other support stafl costs £000	Educational supplies £000	Other costs excluding depreciation £000	Total 2019 £000
Cambourne Village College	3,723	880	136	996	5,735
Comberton Village College	6,542	2,791	430	2,101	11,864
Melbourn Village College	2,072	709	85	1,011	3,877
St Peter's School, Huntingdon	4,455	764	129	1,308	6,656
Everton Heath Primary School	344	102	16	84	546
Gamlingay Village Primary School	990	216	24	306	1,536
Hartford Infant School	<i>782</i>	111	23	<i>2</i> 07	1,123
Hartford Junior School	915	136	38	<i>265</i>	1,354
Jeavons Wood Primary School	1,424	215	68	461	2,168
Offord Primary School	1,086	208	38	<i>356</i>	1,688
Thongsley Fields Primary School	163	61	595	705	1,524
Teaching School	775	384	-	1,430	2,589
Academy Trust	23,271	6,577	1,582	9,230	40,660

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

19. Statement of funds (continued)

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

Unrestricted funds	Balance at 1 September 2018 £000	Income £000	Expenditure £000	Gains/ (Losses) £000	Balance at 31 August 2019 £000
General Funds		2,235	(2,235)	-	-
Restricted general funds					
General Annual Grant (GAG)	1,238	27,879	(26,108)	-	3,009
Other DfE/ESFA Grants	-	2,056	(2,056)	-	-
Other Government Grants	-	2,470	(2,470)	-	-
Other Income	-	2,077	(2,077)	-	-
Teaching School	230	852	(857)	-	225
School Funds	665	2,361	(2,247)	-	779
Pension reserve	(5,013)	(600)	(1,499)	(4,434)	(11,546)
	(2,880)	37,095	(37,314)	(4,434)	(7,533)
Restricted fixed asset funds					
Restricted Fixed Asset Funds	111,123	12,981	(1,816)	_	122,288
Total Restricted funds	108,243	50,076	(39,130)	(4,434)	114,755
Total funds	108,243	52,311	(41,365)	(4,434)	114,755

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

20. Analysis of net assets betwee	n funde

Analysis of net assets between funds - current period

	Restricted funds 2020 £000	Restricted fixed asset funds 2020 £000	Total funds 2020 £000
Tangible fixed assets	_	122,654	122,654
Current assets	7,715	2,438	10,153
Creditors due within one year	(3,651)	-	(3,651)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	(14,557)	-	(14,557)
Total	(10,493)	125,092	114,599
Analysis of net assets between funds - prior period			
		Restricted	
	Restricted	fixed asset	Total
	funds 2019	funds 2019	funds 2019
	£000	£000	£000
Tangible fixed assets	-	120,604	120,604
Current assets	7,289	1,684	8,973
Creditors due within one year	(3,276)	-	(3,276)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	(11,546)	-	(11,546)
Total	(7,533)	122,288	114,755

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

21.	Reconciliation of net income to net cash flow from operating activities		
		2020 £000	2019 £000
	Net income for the period (as per Statement of financial activities)	235	10,946
	Adjustments for:		
	Depreciation	625	705
	Capital grants from DfE and other capital income	(1,763)	(2,620)
	Interest receivable	(78)	(31)
	Defined benefit pension scheme obligation inherited	324	600
	Defined benefit pension scheme cost less contributions payable	2,067	1,325
	Defined benefit pension scheme finance cost	230	174
	Decrease/(increase) in debtors	1,652	(1,270)
	Increase in creditors	375	90
	Value of property transferred on conversion / from existing academy	(2,636)	(10,361)
	Loss on disposal of fixed assets	-	3,433
	Net cash provided by operating activities	1,031	2,991
22.	Cash flows from investing activities		
		2020 £000	2019 £000
	Bank interest received	78	31
	Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(39)	(4,753)
	Capital grants	1,763	2,620
	Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities	1,802	(2,102)
23.	Analysis of cash and cash equivalents		
		2020	2019
		£000	£000
	Cash in hand	9,167	6,334

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

24. Analysis of changes in net debt

	At 1 September 2019 £000	Cash flows £000	At 31 August 2020 £000
Cash at bank and in hand	6,334	2,833	9,167
	6,334	2,833	9,167

25. Contingent liabilities

In the event of The CAM Academy Trust ceasing to operate as a Trust, provisions are included in the funding agreement relating to the clawback of assets and monies paid to the Trust.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

26. Pension commitments

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 Cambridgeshire County Council and Bedfordshire County Council. Both are multi-employer defined benefit schemes.

The latest actuarial valuation of the TPS related to the period ended 31 March 2016 and of the LGPS 31 March 2019.

There were no outstanding or prepaid contributions at either the beginning or the end of the financial year.

Teachers' Pension Scheme

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

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

Valuation of the Teachers' Pension Scheme

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

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

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

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26. Pension commitments (continued)

The employer's pension costs paid to TPS in the year amounted to £4,109,000 (2019 - £2,263,000).

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

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

Local Government Pension Scheme

The LGPS is a funded defined benefit pension scheme, with the assets held in separate trustee-administered funds. The total contribution made for the year ended 31 August 2020 was £1,904,000 (2019 - £1,705,000), of which employer's contributions totalled £1,464,000 (2019 - £1,315,000) and employees' contributions totalled £ 440,000 (2019 - £390,000). The agreed contribution rates for future years are 23 per cent for employers and 12.5 per cent for employees.

As described in note 3 the LGPS obligation relates to the employees of the Academy Trust, who were the employees transferred as part of the conversion from the maintained school and new employees who were eligible to, and did, join the Scheme in the year. The obligation in respect of employees who transferred on conversion represents their cumulative service at both the predecessor school and the Academy Trust at the balance sheet date.

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

Principal actuarial assumptions

	2020	2019
	%	%
Rate of increase in salaries	2.7-3.2	2.45-2.6
Discount rate for scheme liabilities	1.65-1.7	1.8-1.9
Inflation assumption (CPI)	2.2-2.25	2.15-2.3

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

	2020 Years	2019 Years
Retiring today		
Males	22.0-22.2	20.7-21.5
Females	24.0-24.3	23.2-23.5
Retiring in 20 years		
Males	22.7-23.4	21.7-22.4
Females	25.5-26.1	24.7-24.9

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Pension commitments (continued)		
Sensitivity analysis		
	2020 £000	2019 £000
Discount rate -0.5%	4,660	4,232
Pension rate +0.5%	4,307	3,684
Salary rate +0.5%	462 	603
The Academy Trust's share of the assets in the scheme was:		
	2020 £000	2019 £000
Equities	15,125	14,423
Corporate bonds	2,377	2,500
Property	3,241	2,115
Cash and other liquid assets	864	192
Total market value of assets	21,607	19,230
The actual return on scheme assets was £585,000 (2019 - £841,000).		
The amounts recognised in the Statement of financial activities are as follow	vs:	
	2020 £000	2019 £000
Current service cost	(3,688)	(2,535)
Past service cost	-	(105)
Interest income	365	493
Interest cost	(595)	(667)
Total amount recognised in the Statement of financial activities	(3,918)	(2,814)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

26. Pension commitments (continued)

Changes in the present value of the defined benefit obligations were as follows:

	2020 £000	2019 £000
At 1 September	30,776	21,349
Conversion of academy trusts	324	1,165
Current service cost	3,688	2,535
Interest cost	595	667
Employee contributions	440	390
Changes in actuarial assumptions	611	4,782
Benefits paid	(270)	(217)
Past service costs	-	105
At 31 August	36,164	30,776
Changes in the fair value of the Academy Trust's share of scheme assets w	vere as follows:	

	2020 £000	2019 £000
At 1 September	19,230	16,336
Conversion of academy trusts	158	565
Interest income	365	493
Return on net assets (excluding net interest)	220	348
Employer contributions	1,464	1,315
Employee contributions	440	390
Benefits paid	(270)	(217)
At 31 August	21,607	19,230

27. Operating lease commitments

At 31 August 2020 the Academy Trust had commitments to make future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	509	443
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	338	347
Not later than 1 year	171	96
	2020 £000	2019 £000

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28. Members' liability

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

29. Related party transactions

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

Mrs S. Williamson is a director and shareholder of SSAT (The Schools Network) Limited. During the year subscriptions and services of £15,217 (2019 - £19,343) were paid by the Academy Trust, which incorporates a group discount. In addition services have been received free of charge. Overall the Academy Trust is satisfied that the combined services are provided at below value and procurement policies, in accordance with ESFA guidance, have been complied with.

Mr J. Hartley is a director of John Hartley Education Consultants Limited. The Academy Trust has utilised the services of John Hartley Education Consultants Limited to mentor Principals and Heads in their development. During the year purchases of £1,285 (2019 - £2,480) have been made by the Academy Trust.

Mr G. Pearson has a significant interest in Anspear Limited (formerly Pearson Publishing Ltd). In addition, Mr S. Munday is an unpaid director. The Academy Trust has utilised the services of Pearson Publishing Ltd to buy training provision in connection with GDPR requirements. During the year purchases of £12,050 (2019 - £12,204) have been made by the Academy Trust. The element above £2,500 has been provided at no more than cost and the statement of assurance has been provided.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

30.	Teaching school trading account				
		2020 £000	2020 £000	2019 £000	2019 £000
	Income	2000	2000	2000	£000
	Direct Income				
	Income	1,903		852	
	Total income		1,903		852
	Expenditure				
	Direct Expenditure				
	Educational supplies	34		56	
	Other Expenditure				
	Other support costs	1,994		801	
	Total expenditure		2,028		857
	Deficit from all sources		(125)		(5)
	Teaching school balances at 1 September 2019		225		230
	Teaching school balances at 31 August 2020	_	100		 225