

**Company Registration Number: 07682332 (England & Wales)**

**Endeavour MAT**

**(A Company Limited by Guarantee)**

**Annual Report and Financial Statements**

**For the year ended 31 August 2022**

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### Reference and Administrative Details

<b>Members</b>	Brown, M Capper, S (resigned 12 January 2022) Clark, B (resigned 9 October 2021) Clements, K (appointed 1 September 2022) Hammond, P Horgan, J Sharp, K (appointed 1 April 2022)
<b>Trustees</b>	Baker, A (appointed 27 June 2022) Connell, D Coulson, P (appointed 27 June 2022) Dingsdale, L, Vice Chair (resigned 18 May 2022) Guthrie, C, Chief Executive Officer and Accounting Officer (appointed 1 September 2021) Kemsley, S, Vice Chair (appointed Vice Chair 26 May 2022) Maidment, G Mattu, S, Chair of Trustees <sup>1</sup> McGonigle, M <sup>1</sup> Strachan, D, Chair of Finance & Audit Committee <sup>1</sup> Winter, A (appointed 1 September 2022)

<sup>1</sup> Finance & Audit Committee

**Company registered number**

07682332

**Company name**

Endeavour MAT

**Principal and registered office**

Wilmington Grange  
Parsons Lane  
Wilmington  
Dartford  
Kent  
DA2 7BB

**Company Secretary**

Burchett, L

**Chief Executive Officer**

Guthrie, C (appointed 1 September 2021)

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### Reference and Administrative Details For the year ended 31 August 2022

#### Senior Management Team

##### Executive Team:

Amies, N, Interim Head of HR (22 June 2022 - 10 August 2022)  
Brown, R, Head of Finance  
Burchett, L, Chief Operating Officer  
Chandler, M (appointed 9 December 2021), Head of Premises & Estates  
Guthrie, C (appointed 1 September 2021), Chief Executive Officer  
Lodge, D (resigned 31 August 2022), Educational Consultant (Former CEO)  
Looker, S (appointed 01 August 2022), Head of Human Resources  
O' Halloran, D (resigned 28 December 2021), Head of Premises & Estates  
Perry, R (resigned 01 July 2022), Head of Human Resources  
Price, J, Director of Data & Information  
Skipp, M, Head of IT

##### School Based:

Barnett, G, Head Teacher  
Harrington, S (appointed 1 September 2021), Head Teacher  
Lawson, M, Head Teacher

#### Independent auditors

Kreston Reeves LLP  
Statutory Auditor  
Chartered Accountants  
37 St Margaret's Street  
Canterbury  
Kent  
CT1 2TU

#### Bankers

Lloyds Bank Plc  
78 New Road  
Gravesend  
Kent  
DA11 0AR

#### Member Schools

Stone Lodge School  
Wilmington Grammar School for Boys  
Wilmington Grammar School for Girls  
Wilmington Primary School (joined 1 September 2022)

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**Trustees' Report**  
**For the year ended 31 August 2022**

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements and auditors' report of the charitable company for the year ended 31 August 2022. The annual report serves the purposes of both a Trustees' report, and a directors' report under company law.

The Trust operates three secondary schools, two selective and one non-selective (with a primary school joining the Trust on 1 September 2022) in South East England, providing high quality state education with a combined pupil roll of 3,033 in the Autumn school census 2022 (2,509 in the Autumn 2021 census).

**Structure, Governance and Management**

**Constitution**

The 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 Trust. The Trustees of Endeavour MAT are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law. The charitable company is known as Endeavour MAT.

Details of the Trustees who served during the year and to the date these accounts are approved 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**

Under the Companies Act 2016 s236 the directors confirm that there are no third-party indemnity provision in operation.

**Method of Recruitment and Appointment or Election of Trustees**

In accordance with the Articles of Association, the Trustees of the charitable company are appointed as follows:

- a) Member appointed Trustees (maximum 12);
- b) parent Trustees (minimum 2, if parent Trustees are not present on Local Governing Bodies);
- c) co-opted Trustees appointed by the Trustees;
- d) the Chief Executive Officer, provided they so agree.

There shall be a minimum of three Trustees and the total number of Trustees who are employees of the company shall not exceed one third of the total number of Trustees.

**Policies and Procedures Adopted for the Induction and Training of Trustees**

All Trustees have access to a suite of on-line resources, in addition to face to face training opportunities. The training and induction provided for new Trustees will depend on their existing experience but includes a range of core activities as standard. Where necessary, induction will provide training in charity, educational, legal and financial matters. All Trustees are provided with the information needed (including policies, minutes, budgets, etc.) to undertake their role as Trustees. Each trustee is provided with a secure log-in to the Trust's system for access to all policies, codes of practice and meeting papers.

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### **Trustees' Report (continued)**

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#### **Organisational Structure**

The Board of Trustees comprises those persons appointed under the Articles of Association. The Board meets six times a year and, during the year, operated one committee, Finance & Audit Committee. For 2022/23 a second Committee has been added to the structure (HR, Remuneration & Staff Wellbeing Committee).

The Trust Board:

- Ensure the provisions of the Funding Agreement with the Secretary of State are followed
- Oversee aims and achievements of School Improvement Plans
- Review structure and delegation arrangements for each Local Governing Body
- Appointment the Chief Executive Officer
- Authorise purchases above £25,000 via the Finance & Audit Committee
- Review/appoint external auditors (subject to ratification by the Members)
- Has oversight of educational standards and structure, admissions policy and related issues

The Finance & Audit Committee has oversight of budget monitoring & compliance issues.

Chief Executive Officer:

- Manages whole Trust strategic planning in conjunction with the Executive Team, Trustees and Local Governing Bodies
- Has oversight of all aspects of school development and the curriculum
- Ensures the provisions of the Funding Agreement with the Secretary of State are being followed
- Reviews actual income and expenditure against approved budget

The Executive Team:

Management of the Trust as a whole is undertaken by the Chief Executive Officer as part of the Trust Executive Team. The Chief Executive Officer is the Accounting Officer and the Chief Operating Officer is the Chief Financial Officer.

School Senior Leadership Teams:

Each school has a Senior Leadership Team (SLT) that is made up of: Head Teacher, Deputy Head, Assistant Head Teachers, Associate Assistant Head Teachers, a School Business Manager and others as relevant. Each member of SLT attends the relevant meetings of the corresponding Local Governing Body in areas where they hold a key responsibility to enable effective monitoring. Day to day management of each school is undertaken by the Head Teacher, supported by the relevant Senior Leadership Team.

All committees and Local Governing Bodies are formally constituted with terms of reference and comprise appropriately qualified and experienced members. Trustees delegate specific responsibilities to committees including Local Governing Bodies, the activities of which are reported to and discussed at Trust Board meetings.

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

The Executive Team and Head Teachers are the key management personnel of the Trust. Trustees are also senior management although they receive no pay or other remuneration in respect of their role as Trustees. Where staff Trustees are in place, they receive remuneration for their role as staff and their pay is determined in the same way as applicable to all other staff. Further details of remuneration paid to staff who are Trustees is set out within the notes to the accounts.

The pay of the Chief Executive Officer is set annually by the Trust Pay Committee, having regard to performance against objectives set the previous year and following input from an independent consultant. Pay of other Executive Team members, and those line managed through them (including Head Teachers), is also set by the Trust Pay Committee, again having regard to performance against previously agreed objectives and any recommendations made by the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Operating Officer.

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**Trustees' Report (continued)**  
**For the year ended 31 August 2022**

**Trade union facility time**

**Relevant union officials**

Number of employees who were relevant union officials during the relevant period	Full-time equivalent employee number
2	2

**Percentage of time spent on facility time**

Percentage of time	Number of employees
0%	0
1%-50%	0
51%-99%	0
100%	0

**Percentage of pay bill spent on facility time**

Provide the total cost of facility time	£0
Provide the total pay bill	£12,016k
Provide the percentage of the total pay bill spent on facility time, calculated as: (total cost of facility time ÷ total pay bill) × 100	0.0%

**Paid trade union activities**

Time spent on paid trade union activities as a percentage of total paid facility time hours calculated as: (total hours spent on paid trade union activities by relevant union officials during the relevant period ÷ total paid facility time hours) × 100	0%
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**Related Parties and other Connected Charities and Organisations**

During the year Endeavour MAT worked closely with the Parent Teacher Association/ Parents and Friends Association at each of its school's and had no other connected charities, organisations or related party transactions.

**Engagement with employees (including disabled persons)**

Endeavour MAT believes that engaging with employees is a key part of the effective management of day to day operation and as such utilises the following to do this pro-actively:

- Regular staff meetings take place in all of our schools and periodic inset/ training days and events provide an opportunity for employees to be informed and consulted on matters of concern to them
- A staff survey is sent to all staff periodically, with the output considered by Trustees.
- We have a Staff Portal and publish details of initiatives and projects as well as key internal communications and resources for access by all staff in the Portal.
- Our annual performance review and appraisal process involves all employees in the consideration of the Trust's organisational objectives and their contribution to the Trust's performance and was the subject of a Trust wide consultation during the year.

The Trust's processes and procedures for recruitment and selection are designed to be fair, methodical and ensure equality of consideration for all candidates based on an assessment of the requirements of the post and no applicant will receive less favourable consideration regardless of either a declared disability or in relation to a protected characteristic. Similarly, no employee will be disadvantaged in respect of training or progression as a result of the same factors.

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**Engagement with suppliers, customers and others in a business relationship with the Trust**

The Trust meets and communicates regularly with its key suppliers/ contractors in the interests of co-operation and contract management in order to support obtaining value for money and a good standard of service.

Trust schools also actively engage with students, their parents and carers to fully support and involve them in their education. This includes general forms of engagement such as Head Teacher blogs, letters home and assemblies as well as individual, student focused parent evenings, regular surveys and reports addressing the progress of students.

**Objectives and Activities**

**Objectives and Aims**

The principal object of the company is the advancement of education in the United Kingdom. It achieves this object principally through the operation of schools in the Dartford area, the aim being to provide the highest possible standard of education and pastoral care, in order to maximise the life-chances of its students.

**Objectives, Strategies and Activities**

The Trust's strategic objectives are to ensure our schools offer:

- a safe, nurturing, inspirational and competitive environment where stakeholders feel valued in a climate of respect, acceptance and equality;
- a destination driven focus with a curriculum drawing on expertise & experience from multiple sectors, where students are compassionate & respectful to the environment, themselves and others;
- exemplary teaching and learning and highly effective assessment lead to excellent student outcomes with progress in terms of value added always within the top 20% nationally;
- financially strong organisations with a learning environment and infrastructure designed to generate the greatest impact;
- inspirational and ethical leadership at all levels, including a robust Governance structure, offering the necessary support and challenge to maintain exceptional performance across the Trust; and
- exceptional training and tailored professional development with clear succession planning that inspires excellent recruitment and retention of a loyal, expert workforce.

**Public Benefit**

In setting our objectives and planning our activities the Trustees have given due consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

All four of the Trust's schools serve pupils in and around the Dartford area of Kent and participate in the County's admissions process, with two of the schools accepting pupils on the basis of selection and a further two on a non-selective basis in accordance with their specific published admissions criteria.

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**Strategic Report**

**Achievements and Performance**

	Wilmington Grammar School for Girls	Wilmington Grammar School for Boys
Ofsted rating	Outstanding	Good
<b>Year 11 GCSE Results</b>		
Percentage of grades 9 - 7	61% (57%)	48% (55%)
Attainment 8	71.2 (69.71)	67.9 (69.9)
<b>Year 13 A Level Results</b>		
Percentage of grades A* - B	62% (66%)	64.1% (63%)

Prior year figures represent data from 2020/21 which was not validated due to the use of Centre Assessed Grades as a result of the pandemic.

Stone Lodge School opened in September 2019 with an inaugural cohort of 120 Year 7 pupils which were joined by another 120 students in September 2020 and a further 180 in September 2021. GL Assessments taken in English, Maths and Science during 2021/22 for years 7, 8 and 9 show students have made very strong progress and above national averages in the majority of key indicators.

Although during 2021/22 COVID-19 represented an ongoing challenge to both day to day school operation formal assessment in summer 2022 returned to near normal methods of examination. COVID testing and vaccination activities taking place in schools during the year were specifically funded through grants and no adverse impact resulted.

**Key Financial Performance Indicators**

	Central Services	Wilmington Grammar School for Girls	Wilmington Grammar School for Boys	Stone Lodge School	Trust Total	Benchmark Report (Kreston Reeves 2022) Multi academy trust average
<b>Expenditure Indicators</b>						
Staff costs as a percentage of total expenditure	83.6%	80.7%	78.8%	64.0%	76.6%	75.4%
Energy costs as a percentage of total expenditure	0.0%	1.7%	1.8%	3.3%	1.9%	1.1%
<b>Balances</b>						
In-year balance as a percentage of total income	-19.8%	6.8%	5.6%	3.2%	4.3%	2.6%
<b>Characteristics</b>						
Pupil to teacher ratio	n/a	18.9	20.1	17.9	19.0	20.2
Pupil numbers (January Census)	2,498	1,030	1,050	418	2,498	2,998

**Going concern**

After making appropriate enquiries, the board of Trustees has a reasonable expectation that the 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.

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### Trustees' Report (continued)

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#### Promoting success of the Trust

The Trustees have acted and continue to act in the way they consider most likely to promote the success of the Trust and in doing so have given due regard to:

- Likely long-term consequences of decisions, most particularly seen through strategic planning and 5 year financial planning;
- The interests of the Trust's employees, as set out above under the heading **Engagement with Employees**;
- The need to foster the Trust's relationships with suppliers, customers and other, as set out above under the heading **Engagement with Suppliers, Customers and Others in a Business Relationship with the Trust**;
- The impact of the Trust's operations on the community and the environment, which can be understood in part from the information above under the headings **Engagement with Suppliers, Customers and Others in a Business Relationship with the Trust** and **Objects, Aims and Public Benefit**.
- The desirability of maintaining a reputation for high standards of business conduct, which Trustees acknowledge and deliver through robust policies and procedures as well as clear and transparent declarations of interest;
- The need to act fairly as between Members of the Trust, which is demonstrated through the equal access and information provided to Members in the form of full access to meeting and Trust information in the dedicated secure Office 365 area and invited to relevant events and meetings as a group.

#### Financial Review

We receive our income from a number of different sources. The majority of our income comes from central government via the Education and Skills Funding Agency who provide us with grant, based largely on our student numbers to cover our staffing and other general running costs (General Annual Grant - GAG). The ESFA may also provide us with additional grants which are earmarked for specific purposes (such as Pupil Premium, which must be used to raise the attainment of disadvantaged pupils). These appear in the accounts as DfE/ESFA grants. Where we receive grant or other funding from a Local Authority (such as where we undertake responsibilities on their behalf in respect of our students) this appears in the accounts as "Other Government Grants". Such income is collectively referred to as "Restricted Funds".

Other income is received from parents (for example as contributions to trip or other costs) and from third parties (for example from our bank for interest on our account balances or from others in relation to the use of our facilities). Such other income may be restricted or unrestricted, depending on whether it comes to us with conditions as to its use or whether it is available for spending at the discretion of the Trustees.

We hold funds in two broad categories, funds which are available for spending and other funds which are not available for spending.

Spendable funds are in turn sub-categorised between those which are available for spending at the discretion of Trustees ("Unrestricted Funds") and those which are subject to condition or restriction ("Restricted Funds").

Funds not available for spending include the book value of fixed assets such as land, buildings and equipment. These have a value and are therefore included as assets in the accounts but clearly, we cannot spend this value. In common with all academies and Local Authorities, our share of the Local Government Pension Scheme deficit must also be reflected in our accounts and as this is not a conventional liability, it does not need to be deducted from spendable funds. We meet our obligations in respect of the LGPS by paying over pension contributions due as calculated by the scheme's actuary.

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The following balances were held at 31 August:

<b>Fund</b>	<b>Category</b>	<b>£'000 2022</b>	<b>£'000 2021</b>
GAG	Restricted General Funds	2,174	1,649
Other Grants	Restricted General Funds	93	101
Other Income	Restricted General Funds	220	180
<i>Sub-total General Restricted Funds</i>		<i>2,487</i>	<i>1,930</i>
Unspent Capital Grants	Restricted Fixes Asset Fund	347	1,061
Other Income	Unrestricted General Fund	483	481
<i>Sub-total Spendable Funds</i>		<i>3,317</i>	<i>3,472</i>
Net Book Value of Fixed Assets	Restricted Fixed Asset Fund	36,926	36,662
CIF Loans	Restricted Fixed Asset Fund	(45)	(51)
Share of LGPS Deficit	Restricted Pension Reserve	(692)	(5,619)
<b>Total All Funds</b>		<b>39,506</b>	<b>34,464</b>

During the year under review there was a surplus of £557k (2021 £470k) on general restricted funds, an increase of £2k (2021 reduction of £7k) on unrestricted funds and, after LGPS valuation adjustments, depreciation and capital income and expenditure, an overall movement on funds of £5,042k (2021: £4,363k).

The Trust has been working with the ESFA on a long running capital project at Stone Lodge School as part of the Free Schools Programme and since Easter 2022 has been occupying the new permanent site for the school under a letter licence pending completion of works to the perimeter of the site and therefore the project, enabling both a final valuation and signature of a long-term lease. As such this asset does not currently appear on the Trust's balance sheet.

**Reserves Policy**

Unspent GAG from previous financial years is carried forward in line with the Funding Agreement.

Each year the Trustees review the resource requirements and grant and other income that is forecast for the coming year and an annual budget is formulated and approved.

The level of reserves should never be in deficit and the annual budget should not plan for a large surplus of income over expenditure unless there is a particular project or anticipated risk that requires accumulation of funds over a number of years. Trustees have set targets and guidelines for schools to set budgets with a prudent percentage contribution to reserves and a maximum per student that should be held in reserves in respect of any one school.

Trustees have established a policy for the pooling of reserves across the Trust, assessed and evaluated as at 31 August each year by which central funds can then be made available for organisation wide needs or individual schools as deemed necessary.

**Investment Policy**

There are no investments held beyond cash deposits retained with the major UK clearing bank approved by Trustees. Speculative investments are not permitted.

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### **Trustees' Report (continued)**

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#### **Principal Risks and Uncertainties**

The Board has assessed the risks under the following major headings, and systems/ processes have been established to manage these risks and where significant financial risk still remains they have ensured they have adequate insurance cover: Finance, Governance, Legal, Operational, Safeguarding and Strategic.

The risk management process has been codified in a risk register, registers are maintained by each SLT as well as the Trust Head Office and consolidated into an organisation wide perspective.

The principal financial risk faced by the Trust is that on-going pressure on funding/ unfunded inflationary pressures in areas such as energy and staff costs could be insufficient results in a risk that deficits may be experienced. The budgeting and reporting process, including scrutiny by the Trustees of actual financial performance, mitigates the risk. Trustees keep spendable reserves under review to ensure that they have sufficient income to run the Trust, however it is anticipated that such cost pressure challenges will increase and require significant ongoing attention.

Other risks under active management address the need to ensure sufficient capacity with the Trust to delivery future strategy; the ongoing challenge of Cyber security and social media risks that have been increasingly targeted at the sector.

As the nature of the financial instruments dealt with by the Trust is relatively simple (bank balances, debtors and "trade" creditors), Trustees consider the associated risk in this area to be minimal.

The risk resulting from the Trust's share of the LGPS deficit is managed by following the advice of the scheme's actuaries, specifically as regards the level of contributions payable, ensuring that annual budgets are drawn up to reflect the actuary's advice.

Most of the Trust's income is obtained from the DfE (via the Education and Skills Funding Agency) in the form of recurrent grants, the use of which is restricted to particular purposes. The grants received from the ESFA during the year ended 31 August 2022 and the associated expenditure are shown as restricted funds in the statement of financial activities.

#### **Fundraising**

Endeavour MAT and its constituent schools organise fundraising events and appeals and work with our Parents & Friends Association and Parent Teacher Associations in their activities in the schools and in the wider community on behalf of the Trust.

The Trust does not use professional fundraisers or involve commercial participators.

There have been no complaints about fundraising activity this year.

Any fundraising undertaken by the Trust is managed in a manner that seeks to ensure that it is not unreasonably intrusive or persistent. Contact is made through email, school blogs, our websites and via students.

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**Streamlined Energy and Carbon Reporting**

UK Greenhouse gas emissions and energy use data	1 September 2021 to 31 August 2022	1 September 2020 to 31 August 2021
Energy consumption used to calculate emissions (kWh)	2,637,407 kWh	1,893,885 kWh
<u>Scope 1 emissions in metric tonnes CO2e</u>		
Gas consumption	368.13 tonnes	220.02 tonnes
Oil consumption	2.4 tonnes	43.13 tonnes
Owned transport – mini-buses	9.02 tonnes	0.21 tonnes
<b>Total scope 1</b>	<b>563.87 tonnes</b>	<b>263.36 tonnes</b>
<u>Scope 2 emissions in metric tonnes CO2e</u>		
Purchased electricity	<b>184.32 tonnes</b>	<b>162.12 tonnes</b>
<u>Scope 3 emissions in metric tonnes CO2e</u>		
Business travel in employee owned vehicles	<b>0.56 tonnes</b>	<b>0.26 tonnes</b>
<b>Total gross emissions in metric tonnes CO2e</b>	<b>564.43 tonnes</b>	<b>425.74 tonnes</b>
<u>Intensity ratio</u>		
Tonnes CO2e per pupil	<b>0.23 tonnes per pupil</b>	<b>0.19 tonnes per pupil</b>

**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 2022 UK Government's Conversion Factors for Company Reporting.

**Intensity measurement**

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

**Measures taken to improve energy efficiency**

We have retained the use of video conferencing technology and utilise this for a variety of purposes including meetings between staff, meetings for governance purposes and parent evenings and CIF projects have significantly improved the insulation in curtain walling in our two oldest schools, although with the full return to operation post COVID and the growth of our Free School this has still resulted in an increase in emissions in most areas and overall.

**Plans for Future Periods**

2021/22 saw the Trust's first Free school (Stone Lodge School) vacate its temporary accommodation and occupy its permanent home. The school will have students in all year groups from September 2023.

The Trust welcomed Wilmington Primary School on-board on 1 September 2022 and is keen to welcome other primary schools over the coming years.

Discussion is ongoing with the Department for Education and Kent County Council in relation to the successful Free School application confirmed in principle January 2021 and how this could best deliver benefit to students.

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

The Trust does not hold any funds as custodian trustee on behalf of any third parties.

**Political donations**

The Trust has not made any political donations in the year.

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**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 the information

The auditor, Kreston Reeves LLP, has indicated its willingness to continue in office. The Trustees will propose a motion re-appointing the auditor at a meeting of the Members.

The Trustees' Report, incorporating a strategic report, was approved by order of the Board of Trustees, as the company directors, on 8 December 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

**Mattu, S**  
Chair of Trustees

## ENDEAVOUR MAT

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### Governance Statement

#### Scope of responsibility

As Trustees, we acknowledge we have overall responsibility for ensuring that Endeavour MAT 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 Endeavour MAT and the Secretary of State for Education. They are also responsible for reporting to the governing body any material weaknesses or breakdowns in internal control.

#### Governance

The information on governance included here supplements that described in the Trustees' Report and in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities. The Board of Trustees has formally met 6 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
Baker, A (appointed 27 June 2022)	1	1
Coulson, P (appointed 27 June 2022)	1	1
Connell, D	6	6
Dingsdale, L (resigned 18 May 2022)	3	4
Guthrie, C, Accounting Officer	6	6
Kemsley, S	6	6
Maidment, G	5	6
Mattu, S, Chair	5	6
McGonigle, M	5	6
Strachan, D	6	6

#### Governance and Governance reviews:

During 2021/22 Trustees have undertaken a thorough review of governance in light of the decision to welcome a primary school to the Trust from 1 September 2022. As part of this the Trust has adopted a new Scheme of Delegation, adopted the current model articles of association, created a new sub-committee of the Board (HR, Remuneration & Staff Wellbeing Committee), reformulated Finance & Audit Committee as Finance, Resources, Audit & Risk Committee, and established a suite of standing orders and updated terms of reference for all relevant groups which will take effect for 2022/23. The review also incorporated the annual review of effectiveness.

During the year Trustees have received and considered reports and data in accordance with their planned needs in order to discharge their duties and would consider these to be of sufficient quality, quantity and timeliness but continue to review their needs, discuss and request changes and additions with officers of the Trust.

During the 2021/22 some meetings continued to take place remotely using video conferencing technology in order to mitigate COVID risks, but this has not prevented Trustees and Governors from discharging their responsibilities.

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**Governance Statement (continued)**

**Governance (continued)**

**Conflicts of Interest:**

Potential conflicts of interest are managed by the Trust through robust processes for identification to ensure these are suitably avoided and or disclosed as appropriate. This includes all Trustees, Members, Governors and staff members responsible for the directing of expenditure of Trust funds complete declarations for the register of interests at least annually. That information is used as part of the new supplier checking process and any indicated conflict will mean a new supplier request fails the standard process, ensuring purchase orders cannot be raised.

The Trust has no ownership or control of any subsidiaries, joint ventures or associates.

The Finance and Audit Committee is a sub-committee of the main Board of Trustees. Its purpose is to assist and support the board of Trustees, ensuring sound oversight is exercised over the management of the Trust's finance and resources. The Committee also performs the function of an Audit Committee.

During the year M McGonigle joined the Committee. Attendance at meetings in the year was as follows:

Trustee	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
Strachan, D (Chair)	3	3
Mattu, S	3	3
McGonigle, M	3	3

**Review of value for money**

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

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

- completion of curtain walling upgrades (including insulation) at both Wilmington Grammar Schools as part of CIF funded works that will reduce energy costs.
- A modest increase in average class sizes across 6th form teaching in line with efficient delivery of the curriculum in line with ICFP.
- Utilisation of secondments and expertise sharing, specifically in relation to IT support and establishing a 6th form to support organisational growth at Wilmington Primary School and SLS respectively, avoiding the need for otherwise unaffordable external expertise/ contracted capacity.

**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 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 Endeavour MAT for the period 1 September 2021 to 31 August 2022 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements.

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### **Governance Statement (continued)**

#### **Capacity to handle risk**

The board of Trustees has reviewed the key risks to which the 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 on-going process for identifying, evaluating and managing the Trust's significant risks that has been in place for the period 1 September 2021 to 31 August 2022 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 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 Audit 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;
- suitable delegation of authority and segregation of duties; and
- identification and management of risks.

The board of Trustees has considered the need for a specific internal audit function and has decided not to appoint an internal auditor. However, the Trustees have appointed UHY Hacker Young to carry out a programme of internal control testing, reporting to the Finance and Audit Committee

The appointment comprises a series of three visits covering the year. The role includes giving advice on financial matters and performing a range of checks on the Trust's financial systems. In particular, the checks carried out in the current period included:

- testing of payroll items, systems and procedures;
- testing of payment authorisation, systems and processing;
- testing of credit card transactions, authorisation and recording;
- testing of bank and control account reconciliations;
- testing of the recognition and recording of income;
- review of monitoring and reporting on financial performance;
- review of HR processes and procedures; and
- review of risk management processes and procedures.

On a termly basis, the reviewer reports to the Board of Trustees through the Finance and Audit Committee on the operation of the systems of control and on the discharge of the Board of Trustees' financial responsibilities and annually prepares a short annual summary report to the committee outlining the areas reviewed, key findings, recommendations and conclusions to help the committee consider actions and assess year on year progress.

During 2021/22 this programme of work has been delivered covering the areas planned with no material control issues arising as a result of the work undertaken.

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**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:

- the programme of work on internal controls by UHY Hacker Young;
- the school resource management self-assessment tool;
- the work of the executive managers within the Trust who have responsibility for the development and maintenance of the internal control framework.
- the work of the external auditors;

The accounting officer has been advised of the implications of the result of their review of the system of internal control by the Finance and 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 8 December 2022 and signed on their behalf by:

**S Mattu**  
Chair of Trustees

**C Guthrie**  
Accounting Officer

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### **Statement on Regularity, Propriety and Compliance**

As accounting officer of Endeavour MAT I have considered my responsibility to notify the Trust board of Trustees and the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) of material irregularity, impropriety and non-compliance with ESFA terms and conditions of all funding, under the funding agreement in place between the Trust and the Secretary of State. As part of my consideration I have had due regard to the requirements of the Academy Trust Handbook 2021.

I confirm that I and the Trust board of Trustees are able to identify any material irregular or improper use of all funds by the Trust, or material non-compliance with the terms and conditions of funding under the Trust's funding agreement and the Academy Trust Handbook 2021.

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.

**Guthrie, C**

Accounting Officer

Date: 8 December 2022

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### **Statement of Trustees' responsibilities For the year ended 31 August 2022**

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 year. 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 2021 to 2022;
- 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 8 December 2022 and signed on its behalf by:

**Mattu, S**  
Chair of Trustees

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**Statement of financial activities (incorporating income and expenditure account)**  
**For the year ended 31 August 2022**

		Unrestricted funds 2022 £000	Restricted funds 2022 £000	Restricted fixed asset funds 2022 £000	Total funds 2022 £000	Total funds 2021 £000
	Note					
<b>Income from:</b>						
Donations and capital grants	4	-	39	198	237	5,752
Other trading activities	6	22	-	-	22	-
Investments	7	1	-	-	1	1
Charitable activities	5	-	15,119	-	15,119	12,642
Teaching schools		-	-	-	-	34
<b>Total income</b>		<b>23</b>	<b>15,158</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>15,379</b>	<b>18,429</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
Charitable activities	8	44	15,450	642	16,136	13,381
Teaching schools	8	-	-	-	-	40
<b>Total expenditure</b>	8	<b>44</b>	<b>15,450</b>	<b>642</b>	<b>16,136</b>	<b>13,421</b>
<b>Net income / (expenditure)</b>		<b>(21)</b>	<b>(292)</b>	<b>(444)</b>	<b>(757)</b>	<b>5,008</b>
Transfers between funds	19	23	(23)	-	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds before other recognised gains/(losses)</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>(315)</b>	<b>(444)</b>	<b>(757)</b>	<b>5,008</b>
<b>Other recognised gains/(losses):</b>						
Actuarial gains/(losses) on defined benefit pension schemes	27	-	5,799	-	5,799	(645)
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>5,484</b>	<b>(444)</b>	<b>5,042</b>	<b>4,363</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>						
Total funds brought forward		481	(3,689)	37,672	34,464	30,101
Net movement in funds		2	5,484	(444)	5,042	4,363
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>483</b>	<b>1,795</b>	<b>37,228</b>	<b>39,506</b>	<b>34,464</b>

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 29 to 61 form part of these financial statements.

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**Balance Sheet**  
**As at 31 August 2022**

	Note	2022 £000	2021 £000
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	15	<b>36,926</b>	36,662
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	16	<b>1,185</b>	1,639
Cash at bank and in hand		<b>3,809</b>	2,657
		<u>4,994</u>	<u>4,296</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	17	<b>(1,686)</b>	(830)
<b>Net current assets</b>		<b>3,308</b>	3,466
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<b>40,234</b>	40,128
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	18	<b>(36)</b>	(45)
<b>Net assets excluding pension liability</b>		<b>40,198</b>	40,083
Defined benefit pension scheme liability	27	<b>(692)</b>	(5,619)
<b>Total net assets</b>		<b>39,506</b>	34,464
<b>Funds of the Academy Trust</b>			
<b>Restricted funds:</b>			
Fixed asset funds	19	<b>37,228</b>	37,672
Restricted income funds	19	<b>2,487</b>	1,930
Pension reserve	19	<b>(692)</b>	(5,619)
<b>Total restricted funds</b>	19	<b>39,023</b>	33,983
<b>Unrestricted income funds</b>	19	<b>483</b>	481
<b>Total funds</b>		<b>39,506</b>	34,464

The financial statements on pages 26 to 61 were approved by the Trustees, and authorised for issue on 08 December 2022 and are signed on their behalf, by:

**S Mattu**  
Chair of Trustees

The notes on pages 29 to 61 form part of these financial statements.

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**Statement of Cash Flows**  
**For the year ended 31 August 2022**

	<b>Note</b>	<b>2022</b> <b>£000</b>	2021 £000
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	21	<b>1,883</b>	(496)
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
	23	<b>(726)</b>	(896)
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>			
	22	<b>(5)</b>	26
		<hr/>	<hr/>
<b>Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year</b>		<b>1,152</b>	(1,366)
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		<b>2,657</b>	4,023
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year</b>	24, 25	<b>3,809</b>	2,657
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The notes on pages 29 to 61 from part of these financial statements

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### **Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 31 August 2022**

#### **1. General information**

Endeavour MAT is a charitable company limited by guarantee and an exempt charity incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Wilmington Grange Parsons Lane, Wilmington, Dartford, Kent, DA2 7BB. The principal activity of the academy trust is to provide a primary education for pupils that satisfies the requirements of the Education Act 2002.

#### **2. 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.

##### **2.1 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 2021 to 2022 issued by ESFA, the Charities Act 2011 and the Companies Act 2006.

Endeavour MAT meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

The financial statements are rounded to the nearest thousand.

The functional currency represented in the financial statements are in GBP.

##### **2.2 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 Trust to continue as a going concern.

The Trustees confirm that there are no material uncertainties about the 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.

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**2. Accounting policies (continued)**

**2.3 Income**

All incoming resources are recognised when the 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.

• **Sponsorship income**

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

• **Donations**

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

• **Other income**

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

• **Donated goods, facilities and services**

Goods donated for resale are included at fair value, being the expected proceeds from sale less the expected costs of sale. If it is practical to assess the fair value at receipt, it is recognised in 'Stocks' and 'Income from Other Trading Activities'. Upon sale, the value of the stock is charged against 'Income from Other Trading Activities' and the proceeds are recognised as 'Income from Other Trading Activities'. Where it is impractical to fair value the items due to the volume of low value items they are not recognised in the financial statements until they are sold. This income is recognised within 'Income from Other Trading Activities'.

• **Donated fixed assets (excluding transfers on conversion or into the Trust)**

Where the donated good is a fixed asset it is measured at fair value, unless it is impractical to measure this reliably, in which case the cost of the item to the donor should be used. The gain is recognised as 'Income from Donations and Capital Grants' and a corresponding amount is included in the appropriate fixed asset category and depreciated over the useful economic life in accordance with the Trust's accounting policies.

**Notes to the Financial Statements**  
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**2. Accounting policies (continued)**

**2.4 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. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

- **Charitable activities**

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

All resources expended are inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

**2.5 Interest receivable**

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

**2.6 Taxation**

The 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 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.

**2.7 Tangible fixed assets**

Assets costing £5,000 or more per item (or less if they form part of a larger purchase or project where the total cost exceeds £25,000) 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.

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#### **2. Accounting policies (continued)**

##### **2.7 Tangible fixed assets (continued)**

The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Freehold property	- 50 - 75 years
Furniture and equipment	- 5 - 10 years
Computer equipment	- 3 - 5 years
Motor vehicles	- 5 years

A review for impairment of a fixed asset is carried out if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying value of any fixed asset may not be recoverable. Shortfalls between the carrying value of fixed assets and their recoverable amounts are recognised as impairments. Impairment losses are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities.

##### **2.8 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.

##### **2.9 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.

##### **2.10 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 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.

##### **2.11 Provisions**

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

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

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**2. Accounting policies (continued)**

**2.12 Financial instruments**

The Trust only holds basic financial instruments as defined in FRS 102. The financial assets and financial liabilities of the 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 16. Prepayments are not financial instruments. Cash at bank is classified as a basic financial instrument and is measured at face value.

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 notes 17 and 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.

**2.13 Operating leases**

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

Benefits received and receivable as an incentive to sign an operating lease are recognised on a straight line basis over the lease term, unless another systematic basis is representative of the time pattern of the lessee's benefit from the use of the leased asset.

**2.14 Pensions**

Retirement benefits to employees of the 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 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 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.

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**2. Accounting policies (continued)**

**2.15 Agency arrangements**

Where the Trust acts as agent in collecting and / or distributing from the ESFA or others, and subsequent disbursements are excluded from the Statement of Financial Activities as the Trust does not have control over charitable application of the funds. The funds received and paid, and any balances held are disclosed in note 31.

**2.16 Fund accounting**

Unrestricted income funds represent those resources which may be used towards meeting any of the charitable objects of the 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.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements For the year ended 31 August 2022

#### 3. 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 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.

##### *Multi-employer defined benefit pension scheme*

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 27, 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 2019 has been used by the actuary in valuing the pensions liability at 31 August 2022. 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.

##### *Tangible fixed assets*

The Trust has recognised tangible fixed assets with a carrying value of £36,926k at the reporting date (see note 14). These assets are stated at their cost less provision for depreciation and impairment. The Trust's accounting policy sets out the approach to calculating depreciation for immaterial assets acquired. For material assets the Trust determines at acquisition reliable estimates for the useful life of the asset, its residual value and decommissioning costs. These estimates are based upon such factors as the expected use of the acquired asset and market conditions. At subsequent reporting dates the Directors consider whether there are any factors such as technological advancements or changes in market conditions that indicate a need to reconsider the estimates used.

Where there are indicators that the carrying value of tangible assets may be impaired the Trust undertakes tests to determine the recoverable amount of assets. These tests require estimates of the fair value of assets less cost to sell and of their value in use. Wherever possible the estimate of the fair value of assets is based upon observable market prices less incremental cost for disposing of the asset. The value in use calculation is based upon a discounted cash flow model, based upon the Trust's forecasts for the foreseeable future which do not include any restructuring activities that the Trust is not yet committed to or significant future investments that will enhance the asset's performance. The recoverable amount is most sensitive to the discount rate used for the discounted cash flow model as well expected future cash flows and the growth rate used for extrapolation purposes.

Critical areas of judgment:

##### *Multi-employer defined benefit pension scheme*

Certain employees participate in a teachers' pension multi-employer defined benefit pension scheme with other Trusts in the region. In the judgement of the Trustees, the Trust does not have sufficient information on the plan assets and liabilities to be able to reliably account for its share of the defined benefit obligation and plan assets. Therefore the scheme is accounted for as a defined contribution scheme, see note 26 for further details.

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**3. Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgment (continued)**

*Lease commitments*

The Trust has entered into a range of lease commitments in respect of equipment. The classification of these leases as either financial or operating leases requires the governors to consider whether the terms and conditions of each lease are such that the Trust has acquired the risks and rewards associated with the ownership of the underlying assets.

**4. Income from donations and capital grants**

	<b>Restricted funds 2022 £000</b>	<b>Restricted fixed asset funds 2022 £000</b>	<b>Total funds 2022 £000</b>
Donations	39	-	<b>39</b>
Capital grants	-	198	<b>198</b>
<b>Total 2022</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>237</b>
	<b>Restricted funds 2021 £000</b>	<b>Restricted fixed asset funds 2021 £000</b>	<b>Total funds 2021 £000</b>
Donations	20	-	20
Capital grants	-	1,257	1,257
Donated fixed assets	-	4,475	4,475
<b>Total 2021</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>5,732</b>	<b>5,752</b>

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**5. Funding for the Trust's educational operations**

	<b>Restricted funds 2022 £000</b>	<b>Total funds 2022 £000</b>
<b>DfE/ESFA grants</b>		
General annual grant (GAG)	12,946	<b>12,946</b>
Other DfE group grants	818	<b>818</b>
Pupil Premium	248	<b>248</b>
Teachers' pay and pension grants	294	<b>294</b>
Other DfE Group grants	50	<b>50</b>
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	14,356	<b>14,356</b>
<b>Other Government grants</b>		
Local authority grants	517	<b>517</b>
<b>COVID-19 additional funding (DfE/ESFA)</b>		
Other DfE/ESFA COVID-19 funding	55	<b>55</b>
<b>Other funding</b>		
Other incoming resources	191	<b>191</b>
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	15,119	<b>15,119</b>
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	15,119	<b>15,119</b>
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**5. Funding for the Trust's educational operations (continued)**

	Restricted funds 2021 £000	Total funds 2021 £000
<b>DfE/ESFA grants</b>		
General annual grant (GAG)	10,603	10,603
Other DfE group grants	402	402
Pupil premium	198	198
Teachers' pay and pension grants	579	579
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	11,782	11,782
<b>Other Government grants</b>		
Local authority grants	462	462
<b>COVID-19 additional funding (DfE/ESFA)</b>		
Catch up premium	143	143
Other Dfe/ESFA COVID-19 funding	164	164
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	307	307
<b>Other funding</b>		
Other incoming resources	91	91
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	12,642	12,642
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**6. Income from other trading activities**

	<b>Unrestricted funds 2022 £000</b>	<b>Total funds 2022 £000</b>	Total funds 2021 £000
Catering income	-	-	-
	22	22	-
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<b>Total 2022</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>-</b>
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**7. Investment income**

	<b>Unrestricted funds 2022 £000</b>	<b>Total funds 2022 £000</b>
Bank interest	1	1
<b>Total 2022</b>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

	<b>Unrestricted funds 2021 £000</b>	<b>Total funds 2021 £000</b>
Bank interest	1	1
	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

**8. Expenditure**

	<b>Staff Costs 2022 £000</b>	<b>Premises 2022 £000</b>	<b>Other 2022 £000</b>	<b>Total 2022 £000</b>
Direct costs	9,367	-	1,462	<b>10,829</b>
Allocated support costs	2,849	855	1,603	<b>5,307</b>
Teaching school	-	-	-	-
	<u>12,216</u>	<u>855</u>	<u>3,065</u>	<u><b>16,136</b></u>

	<b>Staff Costs 2021 £000</b>	<b>Premises 2021 £000</b>	<b>Other 2021 £000</b>	<b>Total 2021 £000</b>
Direct costs	8,243	-	958	9,201
Allocated support costs	2,175	681	1,324	4,180
Teaching school	40	-	-	40
	<u>10,458</u>	<u>681</u>	<u>2,282</u>	<u>13,421</u>

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**9. Analysis of expenditure by activities**

	<b>Activities undertaken directly 2022 £000</b>	<b>Support costs 2022 £000</b>	<b>Total funds 2022 £000</b>
Educational operations	10,829	5,307	<b>16,136</b>
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	<b>Activities undertaken directly 2021 £000</b>	<b>Support costs 2021 £000</b>	<b>Total funds 2021 £000</b>
Educational operations	9,201	4,180	13,381
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**Direct costs**

	<b>Unrestricted funds 2022 £000</b>	<b>Restricted funds 2022 £000</b>	<b>Total funds 2022 £000</b>
Staff costs	-	9,367	<b>9,367</b>
Technology costs	1	307	<b>308</b>
Educational supplies & services	-	473	<b>473</b>
Examination fees	-	517	<b>517</b>
Staff development	-	43	<b>43</b>
Other costs	-	121	<b>121</b>
	<hr/> 1 <hr/>	<hr/> 10,828 <hr/>	<hr/> <b>10,829</b> <hr/>

	<b>Restricted funds 2021 £000</b>	<b>Total funds 2021 £000</b>
Staff costs	8,243	8,243
Technology costs	302	302
Educational supplies & services	423	423
Examination fees	135	135
Staff development	51	51
Other costs	47	47
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**Support costs**

	<b>Unrestricted funds 2022 £000</b>	<b>Restricted funds 2022 £000</b>	<b>Total funds 2022 £000</b>
Defined benefit pension scheme - finance costs	-	89	<b>89</b>
Support staff costs	-	2,849	<b>2,849</b>
Depreciation	-	642	<b>642</b>
Technology costs	5	61	<b>66</b>
Maintenance of premises and equipment	-	292	<b>292</b>
Cleaning	2	50	<b>52</b>
Energy	-	369	<b>369</b>
Rent, rates and other occupancy costs	-	285	<b>285</b>
Security	-	101	<b>101</b>
Insurance	-	50	<b>50</b>
Catering	13	83	<b>96</b>
Other support costs	10	325	<b>335</b>
Governance costs	13	70	<b>83</b>
	<u>43</u>	<u>5,266</u>	<u><b>5,309</b></u>
	<u><u>43</u></u>	<u><u>5,266</u></u>	<u><u><b>5,309</b></u></u>
	<b>Unrestricted funds 2021 £000</b>	<b>Restricted funds 2021 £000</b>	<b>Total funds 2021 £000</b>
Defined benefit pension scheme - finance costs	-	68	68
Support staff costs	-	2,175	2,175
Depreciation	-	641	641
Technology costs	3	53	56
Maintenance of premises and equipment	-	239	239
Cleaning	-	71	71
Energy	-	163	163
Rent, rates and other occupancy costs	-	199	199
Security	-	9	9
Insurance	-	40	40
Catering	5	57	62
Other support costs	-	262	262
Governance costs	-	195	195
	<u>8</u>	<u>4,172</u>	<u>4,180</u>
	<u><u>8</u></u>	<u><u>4,172</u></u>	<u><u>4,180</u></u>

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**10. Net (expenditure)/income**

Net (expenditure)/income for the year includes:

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Operating lease rentals	<b>28</b>	19
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	<b>642</b>	641
Fees paid to auditors for:		
- audit	<b>19</b>	15
- other services	<b>5</b>	4
	<b>=====</b>	<b>=====</b>

**11. Staff**

**a. Staff costs**

Staff costs during the year were as follows:

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Wages and salaries	<b>8,562</b>	7,505
Social security costs	<b>839</b>	742
Pension costs	<b>2,615</b>	2,116
	<b>=====</b>	<b>=====</b>
	<b>12,016</b>	10,363
Agency staff costs	<b>200</b>	95
	<b>=====</b>	<b>=====</b>
	<b>12,216</b>	10,458
	<b>=====</b>	<b>=====</b>

**b. Staff numbers**

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

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>No.</b>	No.
Teachers	<b>125</b>	114
Administration and support	<b>121</b>	96
Management	<b>30</b>	24
	<b>=====</b>	<b>=====</b>
	<b>276</b>	234
	<b>=====</b>	<b>=====</b>

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**11. Staff (continued)**

**c. Higher paid staff**

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

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>No.</b>	No.
In the band £60,001 - £70,000	<b>10</b>	8
In the band £70,001 - £80,000	<b>3</b>	2
In the band £80,001 - £90,000	<b>3</b>	3
In the band £100,001 - £110,000	<b>1</b>	-
In the band £140,001 - £150,000	-	1
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Fourteen of the above employees participated in the Teachers' Pension Scheme and one in the Local Government Pension Scheme. Contributions during the year ended 31 August 2022 amounted to £238,769 (2021: £215,856) towards the Teachers' Pension Scheme and £16,692 (2021: £15,359) towards the Local Government Pension Scheme.

**d. Key management personnel**

The key management personnel of the 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 Trust was £956,952 (2021: £958,328).

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**12. Central services**

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

- human resources advice;
- financial services;
- compliance services;
- capital projects;
- data analysis and interpretation;
- educational support services;
- governance services.

The Trust charges for these services on the following basis:

A flat percentage of 5% (2021: 5%) of total General Annual Grant (GAG) plus any other GAG-like income.

An agreed contribution from each school to fund the centralised finance team.

The actual amounts charged during the year were as follows:

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Stone Lodge School	<b>123</b>	69
Wilmington Grammar School for Boys	<b>263</b>	239
Wilmington Grammar School for Girls	<b>261</b>	238
<b>Total</b>	<b>647</b>	546

**13. Trustees' remuneration and expenses**

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

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Donna Lodge (Former Chief Executive Officer, Remuneration resigned 31 August 2021)		140 - 145
	Pension contributions paid	30 - 35
Guthrie, C, Chief Executive Officer and Accounting Officer (appointed 1 September 2021)	<b>100 - 105</b>	
	Pension contributions paid	<b>20 - 25</b>

During the year ended 31 August 2022, expenses totalling £228 were reimbursed or paid directly to 1 Trustee (2021 - £66 to 1 Trustee).

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**14. Trustees' and Officers' insurance**

The Trust has opted into the Department of Education's Risk Protection Arrangement (RPA), an alternative to insurance where UK government funds cover losses that arise. This scheme protects Trustees and officers from claims arising from negligent acts, errors or omissions occurring whilst on Trust business, and provides cover up to £10,000,000. It is not possible to quantify the Trustees and officers indemnity element from the overall cost of the RPA scheme membership.

**15. Tangible fixed assets**

	Freehold property £000	Furniture and equipment £000	Computer equipment £000	Motor vehicles £000	Total £000
<b>Cost or valuation</b>					
At 1 September 2021	38,977	524	323	37	39,861
Additions	908	16	-	-	924
Disposals	(18)	-	-	-	(18)
Transfers between classes	26	(26)	-	-	-
	<u>39,893</u>	<u>514</u>	<u>323</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>40,767</u>
	<u>39,893</u>	<u>514</u>	<u>323</u>	<u>37</u>	<u>40,767</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>					
At 1 September 2021	2,760	284	129	26	3,199
Charge for the year	548	35	53	6	642
	<u>3,308</u>	<u>319</u>	<u>182</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>3,841</u>
	<u>3,308</u>	<u>319</u>	<u>182</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>3,841</u>
<b>Net book value</b>					
At 31 August 2022	<u>36,585</u>	<u>195</u>	<u>141</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>36,926</u>
	<u>36,585</u>	<u>195</u>	<u>141</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>36,926</u>
At 31 August 2021	<u>36,217</u>	<u>240</u>	<u>194</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>36,662</u>
	<u>36,217</u>	<u>240</u>	<u>194</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>36,662</u>

Included in freehold property is land at its net book value of £1,626k for Wilmington Grammar School for Girls and £6,543k for Wilmington Grammar School for Boys.

The Trust has been working with the ESFA on a long running capital project at Stone Lodge School as part of the Free Schools Programme and since Easter 2022 has been occupying the new permanent site for the school under a letter licence pending completion of works to the perimeter of the site and therefore the project, enabling both a final valuation and signature of a long-term lease. As such this asset does not currently appear on the Trust's balance sheet.

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**16. Debtors**

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Trade debtors	<b>63</b>	58
VAT recoverable	<b>134</b>	61
Prepayments and accrued income	<b>988</b>	1,520
	<u><b>1,185</b></u>	<u>1,639</u>

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

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Other loans	<b>9</b>	6
Trade creditors	<b>825</b>	355
Other taxation and social security	<b>219</b>	187
Other creditors	<b>251</b>	202
Accruals and deferred income	<b>382</b>	80
	<u><b>1,686</b></u>	<u>830</u>

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Deferred income at 1 September 2021	<b>58</b>	103
Resources deferred during the year	<b>164</b>	58
Amounts released from previous periods	<b>(58)</b>	(103)
	<u><b>164</b></u>	<u>58</u>

At the balance sheet date the academy trust was holding funds received for trips and activities in respect of the following financial year.

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**18. Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year**

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Other loans	<b>36</b>	45

Two loans were provided to the Trust in 2017/18 as part of the CIF Capital Grant awards. The loans are repayable over five years at an interest rate of 0.0107%.

A loan was provided to the Trust in 2018/19 as part of the CIF Capital Grant awards. This loan is repayable over ten years, at an interest rate as set by the Public Works Loan Board rate.

An additional loan was provided to the Trust in 2020/21 as part of the CIF Capital Grant awards. The loan is repayable over 10 years, at an interest rate as set by the Public Works Loan Board rate.

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**19. Statement of funds**

	Balance at 1 September 2021 £000	Income £000	Expenditure £000	Transfers in/out £000	Gains/ (Losses) £000	Balance at 31 August 2022 £000
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>						
General Funds	481	23	(44)	23	-	483
<b>Restricted general funds</b>						
General Annual Grant (GAG)	1,649	12,976	(12,428)	(23)	-	2,174
Other DfE / ESFA grants	63	1,137	(1,152)	-	-	48
Pupil premium	27	248	(246)	-	-	29
Other government grants	11	483	(478)	-	-	16
Other restricted funds	180	314	(274)	-	-	220
Pension reserve	(5,619)	-	(872)	-	5,799	(692)
	<b>(3,689)</b>	<b>15,158</b>	<b>(15,450)</b>	<b>(23)</b>	<b>5,799</b>	<b>1,795</b>
<b>Restricted fixed asset funds</b>						
Transfer on conversion	25,058	-	(401)	-	-	24,657
DfE / ESFA capital grants	8,019	198	(217)	-	-	8,000
Capital expenditure from GAG and other funds	4,595	-	(24)	-	-	4,571
	<b>37,672</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>(642)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>37,228</b>
<b>Total Restricted funds</b>	<b>33,983</b>	<b>15,356</b>	<b>(16,092)</b>	<b>(23)</b>	<b>5,799</b>	<b>39,023</b>
<b>Total funds</b>	<b>34,464</b>	<b>15,379</b>	<b>(16,136)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>5,799</b>	<b>39,506</b>

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

Unrestricted funds are applied to the general work of the Trust to support activities inside and outside the curriculum.

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**19. Statement of funds (continued)**

GAG represents funding to be used to cover the normal running costs of the Trust.

Other DfE / ESFA grants and Pupil premium represents those grants provided for specific purposes, such as supporting disadvantaged pupils and to assist them in decreasing the attainment gap between those pupils and their peers.

Other government grants represents those grants provided for specific purposes to provide additional support to pupils where required.

Other restricted funds are used to fund the general operating costs of the Trust.

The Pension reserve represents the Trust's share of the LGPS Pension Fund deficit.

Restricted fixed asset funds comprise the net book value of the Trust's fixed assets as at 31 August 2022, including the land and buildings which were donated upon conversion to academy status.

The DfE / ESFA capital grants fund are also represented and provide the Trust with its own capital money to address improvements to the land and buildings and other facilities.

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 2022.

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**19. Statement of funds (continued)**

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

	Balance at 1 September 2020 £000	Income £000	Expenditure £000	Transfers in/out £000	Gains/ (Losses) £000	Balance at 31 August 2021 £000
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>						
General Funds	488	1	(8)	-	-	481
<b>Restricted general funds</b>						
General Annual Grant (GAG)	1,202	10,603	(10,144)	(12)	-	1,649
Other DfE / ESFA grants	-	709	(646)	-	-	63
Pupil premium	47	198	(218)	-	-	27
Teachers' pay and pension grants	-	579	(579)	-	-	-
Other government grants	19	436	(444)	-	-	11
Other restricted funds	185	136	(141)	-	-	180
NWKTSA	7	33	(40)	-	-	-
Pension reserve	(4,412)	-	(562)	-	(645)	(5,619)
	<u>(2,952)</u>	<u>12,694</u>	<u>(12,774)</u>	<u>(12)</u>	<u>(645)</u>	<u>(3,689)</u>
<b>Restricted fixed asset funds</b>						
Transfer on conversion	25,369	-	(311)	-	-	25,058
DfE / ESFA capital grants	6,976	1,259	(220)	4	-	8,019
Capital expenditure from GAG and other funds	220	4,475	(108)	8	-	4,595
	<u>32,565</u>	<u>5,734</u>	<u>(639)</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>37,672</u>
<b>Total Restricted funds</b>	<u>29,613</u>	<u>18,428</u>	<u>(13,413)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(645)</u>	<u>33,983</u>
<b>Total funds</b>	<u><u>30,101</u></u>	<u><u>18,429</u></u>	<u><u>(13,421)</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>(645)</u></u>	<u><u>34,464</u></u>

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**19. Statement of funds (continued)**

**Total funds analysis by academy**

Fund balances at 31 August 2022 were allocated as follows:

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Stone Lodge School	<b>427</b>	323
Wilmington Grammar School for Boys	<b>1,106</b>	803
Wilmington Grammar School for Girls	<b>1,409</b>	1,162
MAT Central Services	<b>28</b>	123
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Total before fixed asset funds and pension reserve	<b>2,970</b>	2,411
Restricted fixed asset fund	<b>37,228</b>	37,672
Pension reserve	<b>(692)</b>	(5,619)
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<b>Total</b>	<b>39,506</b>	34,464
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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 2022 £000
Stone Lodge School	1,704	298	676	451	<b>3,129</b>
Wilmington Grammar School for Boys	3,705	625	402	632	<b>5,364</b>
Wilmington Grammar School for Girls	3,738	590	437	527	<b>5,292</b>
MAT Central Services	217	1,340	17	135	<b>1,709</b>
<b>Academy Trust</b>	<b>9,364</b>	<b>2,853</b>	<b>1,532</b>	<b>1,745</b>	<b>15,494</b>

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

	Teaching and educational support staff costs £000	Other support staff costs £000	Educational supplies £000	Other costs excluding depreciation £000	Total 2021 £000
Stone Lodge School	905	161	234	231	1,531
Wilmington Grammar School for Boys	3,584	578	380	367	4,909
Wilmington Grammar School for Girls	3,543	512	457	415	4,927
MAT Central Services	246	997	6	164	1,413
<b>Academy Trust</b>	<b>8,278</b>	<b>2,248</b>	<b>1,077</b>	<b>1,177</b>	<b>12,780</b>

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

**Analysis of net assets between funds - current year**

	<b>Unrestricted funds 2022 £000</b>	<b>Restricted funds 2022 £000</b>	<b>Restricted fixed asset funds 2022 £000</b>	<b>Total funds 2022 £000</b>
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	36,926	<b>36,926</b>
Current assets	483	4,167	344	<b>4,994</b>
Creditors due within one year	-	(1,680)	(6)	<b>(1,686)</b>
Creditors due in more than one year	-	-	(36)	<b>(36)</b>
Provisions for liabilities and charges	-	(692)	-	<b>(692)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>483</b>	<b>1,795</b>	<b>37,228</b>	<b>39,506</b>

**Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year**

	<b>Unrestricted funds 2021 £000</b>	<b>Restricted funds 2021 £000</b>	<b>Restricted fixed asset funds 2021 £000</b>	<b>Total funds 2021 £000</b>
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	36,662	36,662
Current assets	481	2,754	1,061	4,296
Creditors due within one year	-	(824)	(6)	(830)
Creditors due in more than one year	-	-	(45)	(45)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	-	(5,619)	-	(5,619)
<b>Total</b>	<b>481</b>	<b>(3,689)</b>	<b>37,672</b>	<b>34,464</b>

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**21. Reconciliation of net (expenditure)/income to net cash flow from operating activities**

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Net (expenditure)/income for the year (as per Statement of Financial Activities)	<b>(757)</b>	5,008
<b>Adjustments for:</b>		
Loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets	<b>17</b>	-
Depreciation	<b>642</b>	641
Capital grants from DfE	<b>(198)</b>	(1,257)
Donated fixed assets received from other entities	-	(4,475)
Defined benefit pension scheme cost less contributions payable	<b>783</b>	494
Defined benefit pension net finance cost	<b>89</b>	68
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	<b>454</b>	(983)
Increase in creditors	<b>853</b>	8
<b>Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities</b>	<b>1,883</b>	(496)

**22. Cash flows from financing activities**

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Cash inflows from new borrowing	-	32
Repayments of borrowing	<b>(5)</b>	(6)
<b>Net cash (used in)/provided by financing activities</b>	<b>(5)</b>	26

**23. Cash flows from investing activities**

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	<b>(924)</b>	(2,153)
Capital grants from DfE Group	<b>198</b>	1,257
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>	<b>(726)</b>	(896)

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**24. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents**

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Cash in hand and at bank	<b>3,809</b>	2,657
<b>Total cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>3,809</b>	2,657

**25. Analysis of changes in net debt**

	<b>At 1 September 2021 £000</b>	<b>Cash flows £000</b>	<b>At 31 August 2022 £000</b>
Cash at bank and in hand	<b>2,657</b>	<b>1,152</b>	<b>3,809</b>
Debt due within 1 year	<b>(6)</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>(9)</b>
Debt due after 1 year	<b>(45)</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>(36)</b>
	<b>2,606</b>	<b>1,158</b>	<b>3,764</b>

**26. Capital commitments**

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>£000</b>	£000
<b>Contracted for but not provided in these financial statements</b>		
Capital expenditure contracted but not provided in the Financial Statements	<b>1,263</b>	396

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#### 27. Pension commitments

The 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 Kent 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.

Contributions amounting to £214k were payable to the schemes at 31 August 2022 (2021 - £192k) and are included within creditors.

#### 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.

The employer's pension costs paid to TPS in the year amounted to £1,362k (2021 - £1,285k).

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 Trust has accounted for its contributions to the scheme as if it were a defined contribution scheme. The Trust has set out above the information available on the scheme.

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**27. Pension commitments (continued)**

**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 2022 was £605k (2021 - £457k), of which employer's contributions totalled £471k (2021 - £349k) and employees' contributions totalled £134k (2021 - £108k). The agreed contribution rates for future years are 20 per cent for employers and 5.5 to 12.5 per cent for employees.

As described in note the LGPS obligation relates to the employees of the 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 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**

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	%	%
Rate of increase in salaries	<b>3.95</b>	3.90
Rate of increase for pensions in payment/inflation	<b>2.95</b>	2.90
Discount rate for scheme liabilities	<b>4.25</b>	1.65

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

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	Years	Years
Retiring today		
Males	<b>21.0</b>	21.6
Females	<b>23.5</b>	23.6
Retiring in 20 years		
Males	<b>22.3</b>	22.9
Females	<b>24.9</b>	25.1

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**27. Pension commitments (continued)**

**Sensitivity analysis**

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Discount rate +0.1%	<b>6,603</b>	11,026
Discount rate -0.1%	<b>6,941</b>	11,605
Mortality assumption - 1 year increase	<b>6,973</b>	11,774
Mortality assumption - 1 year decrease	<b>6,573</b>	10,869
Salary rate +0.1%	<b>6,784</b>	11,342
Salary rate -0.1%	<b>6,756</b>	11,283
Pension rate +0.1%	<b>6,929</b>	11,572
Pension rate -0.1%	<b>6,615</b>	11,059

**Share of scheme assets**

The Academy Trust's share of the assets in the scheme was:

	<b>At 31</b>	At 31 August
	<b>August 2022</b>	2021
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Equities	<b>3,984</b>	3,727
Gilts	<b>35</b>	32
Bonds	<b>804</b>	790
Property	<b>715</b>	585
Cash	<b>103</b>	163
Other assets	<b>437</b>	396
<b>Total market value of assets</b>	<b>6,078</b>	5,693

The actual return on scheme assets was £(76k) (2021 - £690k).

The amounts recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities are as follows:

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Current service cost	<b>(1,251)</b>	(840)
Interest income	<b>98</b>	77
Interest cost	<b>(187)</b>	(145)
Administrative expenses	<b>(3)</b>	(3)
<b>Total amount recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities</b>	<b>(1,343)</b>	(911)

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**27. Pension commitments (continued)**

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

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>£000</b>	£000
<b>At 1 September</b>	<b>11,312</b>	9,030
Current service cost	<b>1,251</b>	840
Interest cost	<b>187</b>	145
Employee contributions	<b>134</b>	108
Actuarial (gains)/losses	<b>(5,973)</b>	1,258
Benefits paid	<b>(141)</b>	(69)
<b>At 31 August</b>	<b>6,770</b>	11,312

Changes in the fair value of the Academy Trust's share of scheme assets were as follows:

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>£000</b>	£000
<b>At 1 September</b>	<b>5,693</b>	4,618
Interest income	<b>98</b>	77
Actuarial (losses)/gains	<b>(174)</b>	613
Employer contributions	<b>471</b>	349
Employee contributions	<b>134</b>	108
Benefits paid	<b>(141)</b>	(69)
Administration expenses	<b>(3)</b>	(3)
<b>At 31 August</b>	<b>6,078</b>	5,693

**28. Operating lease commitments**

At 31 August 2022 the Trust had commitments to make future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	<b>2022</b>	2021
	<b>£000</b>	£000
Not later than 1 year	<b>11</b>	13
Later than 1 year and not later than 5 years	<b>17</b>	15
	<b>28</b>	28

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#### **29. 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.

#### **30. Related party transactions**

Owing to the nature of the 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 Academy Trust Handbook, including notifying the ESFA of all transactions made on or after 1 April 2019 and obtaining their approval where required, and with the Trust's financial regulations and normal procurement procedures relating to connected and related party transactions.

In the prior year there were transactions of £1,960 to Gravesham Excellence Cluster Limited; S Kemsley, a Trustee of Endeavour MAT is also a director of this company. There were no transactions made with these related parties during the current period of account.

#### **31. Post balance sheet events**

Wilmington Primary School, an existing Single Academy Trust, transferred in to Endeavour MAT on 1 September 2022.

#### **32. Agency arrangements**

The Trust distributes 16-19 bursary funds to students as an agent for the ESFA. In the accounting period ending 31 August 2022 the Trust had unspent funds brought forward of £Nil (2021: £Nil), received £31,648 (2021: £28,144) and disbursed £21,141 (2021: £28,144) from the fund. £10,507 (2021: £Nil) is included within creditors: amounts falling due in less than one year relating to undistributed funds.

#### **33. Controlling party**

The Trust is run by the management team on a day to day basis. Strategic decisions are made by the Board of Trustees. There is no ultimate controlling party.