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THE MCAULEY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE ACADEMY, ITS MEMBERS, GOVERNORS AND
ADVISERS
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Members

Rt Reverend R Heskett Bishop of Hallam
Dr P J Hurley
Diocese of Hallam Trustee (corporate trustee)

Governors

P J Hurley, Chair²
R A Prior, Vice Chair^{1,2}
C J Bradbury¹
E E Butterfield^{1,2}
M Clausen²
J L Duffield^{1,2}
P Giannini (appointed 13 September 2017)
R C Hammond-Jones²
M Hepworth¹
P A Jackson¹
G J Long, Accounting Officer (resigned 23 April 2017), Acting Headteacher
(resigned 31 August 2017)¹
Rev J McNamee²
O J Olusola
J J G Rooney (appointed 1 September 2017), Accounting Officer (appointed 24
April 2017)¹
M J S Taylor (resigned 31 August 2017)¹
A Whittaker¹

¹ Denotes Member of the Finance and Premises Committee which incorporates the function of the Audit Committee

² Foundation Governors are appointed by the Bishop of Hallam

Company registered number

08936511

Company name

The McAuley Catholic High School

Principal and registered office

The McAuley Catholic High School
A Catholic Voluntary Academy
Cantley Lane
Doncaster
South Yorkshire
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Senior leadership team

J J G Rooney, Headteacher (from 24 April 2017)
G Long, Acting Headteacher (to 23 April 2017), and Deputy Headteacher
F Newsome, Deputy Headteacher
P Cleary, Deputy Headteacher
D Allison, Assistant Headteacher (to 31 December 2016)
M Allison, Assistant Headteacher
J Allport, Assistant Headteacher
E Shakespeare, Assistant Headteacher
R Shenton, Assistant Headteacher
M Horrocks, Director of Finance and Resources (until 19 March 2017)

Independent auditors

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Chartered Accountants
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Darlington
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Bankers

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Taylor & Emmett LLP
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GOVERNORS' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017

The Governors present their annual report together with the financial statements and auditor's report of the charitable company for the 1 September 2016 to 31 August 2017. The Annual Report serves the purposes of both a Trustees' Report, and a Directors' report under company law.

The academy trust operates a Catholic Voluntary Academy, which was established as an academy on 1 May 2014, for pupils aged 11-19 serving a catchment area in the Diocese of Hallam, South Yorkshire. It has a pupil capacity of 1,730 and had a roll of 1,625 in the school census in January 2017.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Constitution

The academy trust is a company limited by guarantee and an exempt charity. The charitable company's memorandum and articles of association are the primary governing documents of the academy trust. The Governors of The McAuley Catholic High School (the academy trust) are also the Directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law. The charitable company is known as The McAuley Catholic High School.

Details of the Governors who served during the 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.

Governors' indemnities

The academy trust has purchased insurance to protect governors from claims arising against negligent acts, errors or omissions occurring whilst on academy business. Further details are provided in note 11 of the Financial Statements.

Method of recruitment and appointment or election of Governors

The Articles of Association and Funding Agreement are the Primary Documents that govern the appointment of Governors. These allow:

- The Members may directly appoint 1 Governor.
- Up to 3 Governors elected by parents, eligible by virtue of being a parent of a pupil at the time of the election.
- Up to 3 Governors elected by staff at the school.
- A minimum of 11 foundation Governors appointed by the Bishop of Hallam.
- Up to 1 Governor appointed by the existing Governors to represent the community.
- Up to 1 Governor appointed by the Our Lady of Doncaster Umbrella Trust.
- The Headteacher shall be an Ex Officio Governor.
- At all times the number of Foundation Governors must exceed the total number of Governors of any other category by two.
- The Board may also appoint up to 3 Co-opted Governors provided that
 - o The number of Foundation Governors is increased proportionately to ensure it exceeds the total of other Governors
 - o Co-opted Governors do not take part in the appointment of further Co-opted Governors
 - o The number of Co-opted Governors who are also employees of the school does not exceed one third of the total number of Governors

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT (continued)

Method of recruitment and appointment or election of Governors (continued)

The term of office for any Governor shall be 4 years, save that this time limit shall not apply to the Headteacher or any post held ex officio. Subject to remaining eligible to be a particular type of Governor, any Governor may be re-appointed or re-elected in accordance with the Articles.

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of Governors

The training and induction provided for new Governors depends on their existing experience. Where necessary induction and training is provided on charity, educational, legal and financial matters. All new Governors are given the opportunity to see the school facilities and the chance to meet with staff and students. All Governors are provided with copies of policies, procedures, minutes, accounts, budgets, plans and other documents that they will need to undertake their role as Governors. All Governors are given access to the relevant areas of the school IT system where they can gather information, in addition to being made aware of external agencies and websites that provide information relevant to their role. As Governor appointments within any one year may be few in number induction tends to be done informally and is tailored specifically to the individual. Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council offers Governor forums and training opportunities.

Organisational structure

During the year the academy trust continued to operate a unified management structure. The structure consists of 5 levels: the Full Board of Governors, Subcommittees of the Board of Governors, the Headteacher, the Senior Leadership Team and the Middle Leaders Team. The aim of the management structure is to devolve responsibility and encourage involvement in decision making at all levels. The Governors:

- Are responsible for the overall strategic direction of the school.
- Are required to ensure the academy trust complies with
 - o Company Law & Regulations
 - o Charity Law & Regulation
 - o Statutes and Regulations issued by National Government via the DfE, ESFA and other relevant agencies
- Ensure the school operates in a manner that delivers an appropriate and effective stewardship of public funds.
- Must appoint an Accounting Officer.

This is achieved via the development of appropriate policies, procedures and practices which are implemented by the Executive of the school i.e. the Headteacher and Senior Leadership Team.

The Board of Governors monitors the performance of the school and its compliance with relevant laws and regulations through:

- A series of sub-committees focussed on specific areas of operations.
- The engagement of external third parties to undertake independent review and verification (e.g external audit; external consultant).

The Senior Leadership Team is led by the Headteacher and, in addition to the headteacher comprises:

- Three Deputy Headteachers.
- Five Assistant Headteachers.
- The Director of Finance and Facilities, replaced by the School Business Manager post year end.

The Middle Management of the academy trust is centred on subject leaders, pastoral leaders and leaders of key support services.

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT (continued)

Arrangements of setting pay and remuneration of key management personnel

Pay for all employees of the academy trust, including senior management and employees who also serve as Governors, is determined by the academy trust's Pay and Progression Committee in accordance with the academy trust's Pay Policy. The academy trust currently follows the national pay & conditions for teachers (the Burgundy Book) and support staff (NJC Green Book), taking into consideration affordability. Pay progression within an employee's pay range is linked to the performance management process.

Related Parties and other Connected Charities and Organisations

The McAuley Catholic High School is part of the Our Lady of Doncaster Umbrella Trust. As at 31 August 2017 this trust had two other member schools - Holy Family Catholic Primary School, Stainforth and St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Retford. The purpose of the Our Lady of Doncaster Umbrella Trust is to provide the overarching structure to which all Catholic feeder primary schools can join upon academy conversion; and is to support and further the provision of Catholic education in Doncaster.

The McAuley Catholic High School is part of the Catholic Diocese of Hallam. The Diocesan relationship with the school operates in a number of ways including the provision of the advice and support of the Schools Department.

- The majority of Governors on the Board of the school must be appointed by the Bishop of Hallam.
- The Diocese owns the land and buildings on the Lower School site and the 6th form block.
- The school works closely with its Catholic primary feeder schools who are also part of the Diocese of Hallam, including 9 of the Catholic Primary schools within the Doncaster Deanery and 2 Catholic Primary schools in the Bassetlaw Deanery as well as working closely with other High Schools in the Diocese.
- The school also works in partnership with the parishes in the Doncaster Deanery and two of the parishes in the Bassetlaw Deanery.
- The school pays in contribution towards the work of the School Department in the Diocese and pays a subscription to the Diocese of Hallam Schools' Partnership as a Support Fund.

Further details are stated in Note 23 to the Financial Statements.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objects and aims

The principal object and activity of the academy trust is the operation of The McAuley Catholic High School to provide education for students of different abilities between the ages of 11 and 19. The operation of the school shall be conducted in accordance with the principles, practices and tenets of the Catholic Church.

In accordance with the articles of association the charitable company has adopted a 'Scheme of Governance' approved by the Secretary of State for Education. The Scheme of Governance specifies, amongst other things, the basis for admitting students to the academy trust, the catchment area from which the students are drawn, and that the curriculum should comply with the substance of the national curriculum, whilst upholding the principles and ethos of the Catholic Church. Religious Education is taught to all pupils.

The main objectives of the academy trust during the period ended 31 August 2017 are summarised below and are taken from the School Improvement Plan for 2015 - 2017:

1. **Ethos:** To build a caring community in which Gospel values are fully embedded.
2. **Achievement:** All students are challenged to make good or better progress.
3. **Teaching & Learning:** Ensure that all learners are challenged and actively engaged in their learning.
4. **Behaviour:** To improve behaviour for learning and ensure students demonstrate a sense of pride in their work.
5. **Leadership & Management:** All levels of leadership to set and model high expectations and use monitoring to hold others to account.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES (continued)

Objectives, strategies and activities

The academy trust's main objectives are encompassed in its mission statement which is:

"Each individual is challenged and nurtured to be the best person they can be in a Christian atmosphere of peace, justice and reconciliation".

Our aim is very simple we want to be the very best school that we can be for the benefit of the young people who choose to study here.

At The McAuley Catholic High school, we are passionate about teaching and learning. The school provides a high quality of teaching that excites, motivates and challenges all our young people. We truly believe that all members of our community are made "in the image and likeness of God" and are loved by Him. We want each of our students to recognise God in their daily lives. The values of compassion, aspiration, reconciliation, equality and stewardship (McAuley CARES) are at the heart of all that we do.

Our school supports families to educate their children in accordance with the principles and teachings of the Catholic Church. We endeavour to inspire each individual to grow and develop through the love and teaching of Christ and through nurturing their gifts and talents, into responsible citizens able to make a positive contribution to society.

Our school community strives to be Christ-centred through opportunities to celebrate the Eucharist and through the practice of our faith. We want everyone at McAuley to experience the joy of the Gospel in their journey through school and beyond whatever their denomination or faith.

We offer a broad and balanced curriculum, where each student is equally valued, the uniqueness of each student is acknowledged and their abilities, aptitude and gifts are developed to the full. We encourage our pupils to demonstrate high levels of commitment and co-operation while all members of staff endeavour to provide maximum opportunities for learning and progression within a secure and safe environment.

Our educational philosophy is based strongly on a partnership where home, school, parish and the wider community work closely together to provide maximum support for the educational process and for the young people in our care.

We try to live each day by our school motto John 10:10:

'I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.'

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED)

Objectives, strategies and activities (continued)

A summary of what we have achieved this year and our areas for further development in the main Ofsted areas are:

1) Ethos:

Areas developed this year

- Students able to explain and exemplify McAuley CARES.
- More students involved in Liturgies including planning.
- Greater access to Lay Chaplain.
- Student voice feeding into policies and procedures.
- Greater links with other faith communities and denominations.

Areas for further development

- Embed 'McAuley CARES ' as way of remembering ethos.
- Further embed Church Social Teaching of the Common Good.
- Increase student participation in liturgical life of the school.
- Monitor and evaluate provision for Spiritual formation.
- Development of McAuley voice through sub groups.
- Further develop links with other faiths and denominations.
- Further develop religious literacy across all key stages.
- Ensure ethos underpins all aspects of the school life.

2) Outcomes:

Areas developed this year

- Secured improvement in English outcomes, particularly disadvantaged.
- Secured improvement in the % of disadvantaged pupils achieving then Ebacc, diminishing the difference with other students nationally.
- Attainment in English is above national.
- Ebacc entry and outcomes are significantly above national.
- Progress in most subject areas is above average or improving.
- The progress of disadvantaged learners and those with SEND is above average or improving across most subject areas.
- Based up the improvements seen in English, both overall and for disadvantaged pupils, there is clear evidence that Leadership & Management will address 2017 outcome issues in Maths.

Areas for further development

- Improve overall P8 score for the school and disadvantaged pupils in particular.
- Increase P8 in Maths from all starting points for both disadvantaged and non-disadvantaged pupils and return attainment to the previously high levels via an SLT recovery plan.
- Continue SLT recovery plans in Science and Technology and put a plan in place for Business.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED)

Objectives, strategies and activities (continued)

3) Teaching & Learning:

Areas developed this year

- A range of external partners (including a range of SLEs from various schools) have verified that the action being taken to secure rapid improvement in Teaching, Learning and Assessment is all encompassing. Monitoring and evaluation show that clear systems and procedures to improve the quality of teaching and learning are having an impact. Teaching results in outcomes that are above average across most subject areas, including for disadvantaged pupils and those with SEND.

Areas for further development

- Consistently effective challenge (particularly differentiation by task) and active engagement (particularly questioning and group work) in order to secure good/outstanding progress for all pupils and to improve behavior for learning (active engagement rather than passive compliance).
- The use of formative assessment needs to become more consistent to ensure learners make good progress in all lessons. Equally, teacher and peer/self feedback need to be consistently based on success criteria and dedicated improvement and reflection time always given so that feedback always impacts on learning.
- Embed the new summative assessment system so that (1) pupils' progress can be monitored more robustly (2) the data is used more effectively to adapt planning and intervention to meet individual needs and (3) parents get more information to support their child's progress.
- Eliminate teaching that is less than good/fails to meet the Teaching, Learning and Assessment requirements through a needs-based CPD programme and rigorous use of the accountability and appraisal procedures (particularly in Maths, Science, Technology and Business).

4) Behaviour:

Areas developed this year

- There is an extremely positive atmosphere in the school and the quality of relationships is underpinned by respect and good humour. Pupils show great personal qualities, including an impressive degree of maturity. They are polite, considerate and well mannered. The school's strong ethos, modelling of best practice from all staff and development of pupils' spiritual, moral, social and cultural understanding fortify this. Pupils have an appropriate understanding of how to keep safe when using modern technology through regular assemblies and targeted lessons on Internet and mobile phone safety.

Areas for further development

- Reduce the SEN support and continue to reduce the disadvantaged fixed-term exclusion rate and reduce absence and persistent absence rates for these two groups in order to increase outcomes for them.
- Further improve attitude to learning by (1) improving lesson planning in order to ensure all learners are actively engaged and (2) implementing the new behaviour for learning policy, procedures and reporting system.
- Improve the PSHEE enrichment day curriculum to cover some elements such as homophobia earlier and ensure that provision for each element is mapped across form time, assemblies and subject areas to ensure that absence does not prevent access.
- Implement the new behaviour system in order to achieve a consistent approach to misbehaviour at all levels that can be tackled first within subject areas.

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OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED)

Objectives, strategies and activities (continued)

5) Leadership & Management:

Areas developed this year

- Rapid progress is being made since the Acting Headteacher took up his post. As outlined in the Headteacher's position statement, leaders now have an accurate understanding of the school and the actions that need to be taken to secure improvement in all areas. Clear impact can be seen across a wide range of areas, demonstrating that leaders are holding staff to account and can rapidly secure improvement.

Areas for further development

- Recovery of maths progress and attainment outcomes for all and development of leadership and teaching and learning within the department (see maths recovery plan).
- Rapidly improve teaching that falls short of the minimum 'good' expectations / McAuley CARES requirements.
- Continue to implement the reviewed accountability system so that Governors, senior leaders and middle leaders hold staff stringently to account for all aspects of the school's performance. Develop and monitor the impact of a best practice formal coaching team to support this.
- Improve final outcomes, particularly for disadvantaged pupils, boys and those classed as SEND support (see disadvantaged and SEND development plans; external SEND review booked for May 2017).
- Implement the new internal data and target setting systems and diagnostic analysis at all levels, so that assessment more effectively supports targeted intervention and increases progress.
- Develop work scrutiny so that it is targeted in line with internal data (see TLR holder meeting 1).
- Implement the new Governor training and restructure actions.
- Develop a P8 curriculum offer whilst maintaining the high level of EBacc attainment.

The activities undertaken to achieve these objectives are all intended to provide the highest quality of education in the public sector for students between the ages of 11 and 19.

Public benefit

The academy trust's aims and achievements are set out within this report and have been undertaken to further its charitable purposes for the public benefit. The Governors have complied with the duty under Section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to public benefit guidance published by the Charity Commission for England and Wales and the Governors have considered this guidance in deciding what activities the academy trust should undertake.

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STRATEGIC REPORT

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Key performance indicators

GCSE Results 2017:

Year 11 Performance Data	2017	2016	National average 2017
Progress 8 (progress made between the end of primary school and the end of secondary school)	-0.07	-0.07	0.00
Attainment 8 (how well students have performed in up to 8 qualifications)	46.3	n/a	44.2
% achieving grade 5 or above in English and maths GCSEs (Reformed GCSEs are graded 1 - low - to 9 - high. Grade 5 in the new grading is a similar level of achievement to a low grade B)	43.9%	n/a	39.1%
% achieving grade 4 or above in the 2017 reformed English and maths GCSEs (grade 4 or above in the new grading is a similar level of achievement to a grade C or above in the old grading)	64.7%	57%	63.3%
% achieving the English Baccalaureate at grade 5 or above (students who got a GCSE grade 5 or above in English, maths and grade C or above in 2 sciences, a language, and history or geography)	35.7%	n/a	19.5%
% achieving the English Baccalaureate at grade 4/C or above (students who got a GCSE grade C or above in English, maths, 2 sciences, a language, and history or geography)	39.4%	37%	23.5%
% achieving the English Baccalaureate at grade 4/C or above (students who got a GCSE grade C or above in English, maths, 2 sciences, a language, and history or geography)	58.4%	52%	34.9%
Student destinations: % of students staying in education or employment for at least two terms after key stage 4	99%	100%	94%

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE (continued)

Key performance indicators (continued)

A Level Results:

Year 13 Performance Data	2017	2016	National average (2017/2016)
Level 3 Value Added (progress made between the end KS4 and the end of KS5)	0.16	0.03	0.00
Academic Qualifications Average Result	C+	C-	C+
Applied General Qualifications Average Result	Dist*	Dist+	Dist
Tech Levels (Level 2) Qualifications Average Result	Pass		
% achieving grade A*	10.6%	8.6%	8.3%
% achieving grade A*/A	26.4%	21.9%	26.3%
% achieving grade A*-B	52.6%	45.2%	53.2%
% achieving grade A*-E	99.5%	97%	97.9%
Progress made in English (for students who did not receive a C or higher at GCSE)	1.07	0.63	-0.1
Progress made in Maths (for students who did not receive a C or higher at GCSE)	0.75	-0.5	0.13
Average Points per entry	34.5	32.6	30.6
ALPs single year score	3 (represents top 25%)	5	
Retention rate	0.98	0.992	0.97

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE (continued)

Key performance indicators (continued)

Key Stage 5:

Areas developed this year

- Regular curriculum reviews through sixth form team meetings, the teaching, learning and curriculum group and Governor meetings ensure that the curriculum offer is fit for purpose.
- Leaders have high expectations and are implementing a KS5 quality assurance process involving work scrutiny and drop ins. Rigorous exam performance reviews are used to ensure appropriate development plan priorities are in place and being monitored and evaluated. Regular senior leadership team and curriculum leaders meetings ensure student performance is discussed, underperformance identified and appropriate interventions put in place. Practice is shared via a regional sixth form KS5 forum and our impact has been recognised by Doncaster 14-25 strategic board.
- Students have been supported in adapting to the demands of Advanced Level study through a Study Skills program involving in-house as well as external presenters, fortnightly behaviour for learning reports in the Autumn term and an academic mentoring process.
- Pupils undertake high quality non-qualification activities that match their needs. Extra-curricular opportunities include Young Enterprise, Head Boy/Girl team, First Aid, Department of Education, Public Speaking, regional competitions, sixth form magazine, Anglesey, Canoe Club, Lourdes, Berlin, Performing Arts trips, concerts, orchestral course and massive open online courses.
- Learners are confident and conduct themselves well. Fixed term exclusions and referrals to the inclusion unit are extremely rare. Sixth Formers are excellent role models. They participate in peer support such as Springboard 7, Buddies, Reading Partners and an excellent SEN ambassadors scheme.
- Pupils take responsibility for keeping themselves safe and healthy - seeking support when necessary from the pastoral team - regarding any mental health, eating disorder and general health concerns.
- Pupils are aware of how to avoid risks in using social media through regular e-safety briefings. As a result, e-safety issues are rare.
- Student and Parental surveys show pupils feel safe as a result of rigorous safeguarding procedures.
- Pupils contribute to wider society and life in Britain through charitable giving, voluntary work, donations to a food bank, OAP Christmas Party, Faith and Light Party, Lourdes and the Holocaust Memorial.
- High quality impartial careers guidance through 'LAMA' week, careersinc, university outreach, employers and alumni ensures that learners develop clear, ambitious and realistic plans for their future. Learners understand the options available and, through online resources such as unifrog and links with Doncaster Chamber, are informed about local and national skills needs. Pupils are regularly informed of opportunities to study abroad, summer residentials, work experience, medlink, masterclasses etc.

Areas requiring further development

- Address the decline in performance of disadvantaged students.
- Improve outcomes so that progress in level 3 qualifications in terms of value added is above average across 'nearly all subjects'; A* - B grades return to at least the national average; all pupils resitting GCSE maths are successful.
- In terms of teacher, learning and assessment, further embed independent learning strategies within and between lessons, implement the new target, assessment reporting and recording system and further develop subject-specific KS5 development priorities within identified subjects.
- Develop the formal review process to address attendance, meeting deadline and B4L issues.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE (continued)

Going concern

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

The financial review and financial statements for the period show that the trust operated with an excess of revenue expenditure for the period over revenue income for the period (a deficit) of £276,000. This deficit was funded from surplus reserves brought forward at the start of the period.

The academy trust still maintains an unrestricted reserve surplus of £135,000 however the Governors recognise that the level of revenue deficit in 2016/17 is not sustainable going forward. To this end the Governors and Leadership Team undertook an in depth review of cost structures during the period and have implemented significant structural change in order to ensure that annual revenue expenditure from 2017/18 onwards moves quickly towards being maintained within the level of annual revenue income.

The academy trust, like most other academies, is experiencing significant financial pressures, particularly from rising staff costs as a result of national changes to pension and National Insurance contributions, nevertheless the Governors have taken effective steps to deal with these challenges. The approved 2017/18 revenue budget has a deficit of £40,000, down from the revenue deficit of £276,000 posted in the 2016/17 accounts. The expectation is that the academy trust will move to a balanced budget from 2017/18 in addition to making contributions to increase the level of reserves.

Financial review

Most of the academy trust's income is obtained from the Department for Education (DfE) via the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) in the form of recurrent grants, the use of which is restricted to particular purposes. The grants received from the DfE/ESFA during the period ended 31 August 2017 and the associated expenditure are shown as restricted funds in the Statement of Financial Activities.

The academy trust also receives grants for fixed assets from the DfE/ESFA. In accordance with The Charities Statement of Recommended practice, 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' SORP (FRS102), such grants are shown in the Statement of Financial Activities as restricted income in the fixed asset fund. The restricted fixed asset fund balance is reduced by annual depreciation charges over the expected useful life of the assets concerned.

In addition the financial statements show income for such items as school trips, school dinners, uniforms etc. This income is treated as "unrestricted funds".

During the year ended 31 August 2017 total expenditure, excluding capital items (charged to the fixed assets fund) and pension gains/losses/deficits was £9,343,000. This total expenditure was more than the combination of recurrent grant funding from the DfE/ESFA together and other incoming resources. The excess expenditure over income in the period (before transfers and actuarial gains, and excluding restricted fixed asset funds) was £295,000.

The balance on the unrestricted reserves at the end of the period stands at £135,000.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE (continued)

Financial review (continued)

The land and buildings from which the academy trust operates are held on long term leases with Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council and The Institute of Our Lady of Mercy and under licence from the Diocese of Hallam. No tangible benefit is transferred to the academy trust by virtue of the terms of these leases or licences and therefore only the value of improvements undertaken by the academy trust and funded from its revenue and capital income streams are included in the restricted fixed assets fund and on the balance sheet. At 31 August 2017 the net book value of fixed assets was £1,076,000 and movements in tangible fixed assets are shown in note 12 to the Financial Statements. The assets were used exclusively for providing education and the associated support services to the students of the academy.

The provisions of Financial Reporting Standard No.102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (FRS 102) have been applied in full, resulting in a deficit of £3,130,000 recognised on the balance sheet. As a result of the deficit in the pension fund the total academy trust fund balances at 31 August 2017 was a deficit of £1,788,000 comprising a deficit of £1,923,000 on restricted funds and surplus £135,000 on unrestricted funds.

All of the expenditure shown in the Statement of Financial Activities is in furtherance of the academy trust's objectives.

Reserves policy

The academy trust holds restricted and unrestricted funds (the attached financial statements detail these funds). Unrestricted funds are held to cover ongoing costs in relation non-core elements of the academy trust's operations including catering provisions, school trips, uniform costs and fundraising for good causes.

The level of reserves is reviewed by the Governors regularly throughout the year. The minimum level of reserves for the ongoing needs of an academy trust is reviewed by the Governors on an annual basis. This review encompasses the nature of income and expenditure streams, the need to match income with commitments and the nature of reserves. The Governors therefore consider it prudent to hold unrestricted reserves in the general fund in the form of free reserves (total funds less the amount held in fixed assets and restricted funds but excluding pension deficit) no more than 5% of the general annual grant income, which is circa £419,000. This is considered sufficient to meet changes to operational needs and contingencies for unexpected expenditure.

The academy trust's current level of free reserves are in surplus by £135,000 and are considered to be below the level of reserves required. The trust are aware that the current reserves are below the limit set out in the reserves policy and are taking steps to increase the level of reserves.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE (continued)

Investments policy

The academy trust invests surplus funds through interest bearing current accounts. This policy maximises investment return whilst minimising risks to the principal sum.

Principal risks and uncertainties

The principal risks and uncertainties are centred on changes in the level of funding from the DfE/ESFA. In addition the academy trust is a member of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS), which results in the recognition of a significant deficit on the academy trust balance sheet.

The Governors have assessed the major risks, to which the academy trust is exposed, in particular those relating specifically to teaching, provision of facilities and other operational areas of the academy, and its finances. The Governors have implemented a number of systems to assess risks that the school faces, especially in the operational areas (e.g. in relation to teaching, health and safety, bullying and school visits) and in relation to the control of finance. Where significant financial risk still remains they have ensured they have adequate insurance cover. The academy trust has an effective system of internal financial controls and this is explained in more detail in the Governance Statement.

The academy trust has fully implemented the requirements of the Safer Recruitment procedures and all staff have received training in this area in addition to training on Child Protection/Safeguarding.

The academy trust is subject to a number of risks and uncertainties in common with other academies. The academy trust has in place procedures to identify and mitigate financial risks.

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PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

The academy trust wishes to maintain a broad and balanced curriculum which is fully inclusive and appropriate to the needs of students of all abilities. The academy trust wishes to ensure equality of opportunity for all staff and students and is focussed on promoting the needs of disadvantaged students.

To this end comprehensive strategic reviews of the curriculum and staffing structure are taking place to ensure the academy trust can continue to offer the appropriate curriculum. The age of the buildings are a concern and as such a comprehensive programme of maintenance and bid applications, for example to the Academy Condition Improvement Fund will continue.

Disclosure of information to auditors

Insofar as the Governors are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware, and
- that Governors have taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a Governor in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charitable company's auditors are aware of that information.

The Governors' Report, incorporating a strategic report, was approved by order of the Board of Governors, as the company directors, on 13 December 2017 and signed on its behalf by:



**Dr P J Hurley
Chair**

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GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

SCOPE OF RESPONSIBILITY

As Governors, we acknowledge we have overall responsibility for ensuring that The McAuley Catholic High School has an effective and appropriate system of control, financial and otherwise. However such a system is designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve business objectives, and can provide only reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss.

The Board of Governors has delegated the day-to-day responsibility to the Headteacher, as Accounting Officer, for ensuring financial controls conform with the requirements of both propriety and good financial management and in accordance with the requirements and responsibilities assigned to it in the funding agreement between The McAuley Catholic High School and the Secretary of State for Education. They are also responsible for reporting to the Board of Governors any material weaknesses or breakdowns in internal control.

Committees and responsibilities

Subject to the mandates imposed by the Companies Act 2006, the Articles of Association and the Supplemental Agreement with the Governors of the Diocese of Hallam, all activities of The McAuley Catholic High School are managed by the Governors as Directors who exercise all the powers of the academy trust.

The Governing Body (Directors) use a scheme of delegation which provides for the process of decision making to be undertaken at the most appropriate level within the school. This is done through a clearly defined committee structure. In turn this works in tandem with the management structure of the school. This supports the strategic direction of the school set by the Headteacher and the Governing Body.

The following committee structure operates:

- Finance and Premises Committee
- Curriculum, Welfare and Safeguarding Committee
- Pay and Progression Committee
- Personnel Committee
- Ethos & Liturgy Committee
- Trips and Visits Committee

Leadership and Management of the School

This is undertaken on a day to day basis by the Senior Leadership Group which is named earlier in this document. The Senior Leadership Group determines the strategic direction of the school which are identified through the School Improvement Priorities and through policy recommendations to the Governing Body.

There is a comprehensive quality assurance process within the school which ensures that leadership and management, teaching and learning, the support for students and the outcomes for students are analysed, adjusted and that the budget of the school is used to address the identified priorities.

The role of school staff

Middle Leaders and all staff contribute to the processes involving identifying priorities. They are involved in the development of policies, and the implementation and review processes. This is kept under review. Different cohorts of staff meet through various groups to ensure that the school's improvement priorities are identified and appropriate continuous professional development is supported.

There is a clear line management structure which is linked to a rigorous appraisal process. There is accountability for performance and resources at all levels. Teachers are subject to annual appraisal which conforms to the policy of the Governing Body. Individual objectives are linked into the wider school improvement agenda.

Constitution

The school is a Company limited by guarantee and is an exempt charity under the School's Standards and Frameworks Act.

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GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (continued)

GOVERNANCE

The information on governance included here supplements that described in the Governors' report and in the Statement of Governors' responsibilities. The Board of Governors has formally met seven times during the period. Attendance during the period at meetings of the Board of Governors was as follows:

Governor	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
P Hurley, Chair	5	7
R A Prior, Vice Chair	6	7
C J Bradbury	6	7
E E Butterfield	7	7
M Clausen	6	7
J L Duffield	5	7
P Giannini (Appointed 13 September 2017)	0	0
R C Hammond-Jones	7	7
M Hepworth	4	7
P A Jackson	7	7
G J Long, Acting Headteacher (Resigned 31 August 2017) Accounting Officer (Resigned 23 April 2017)	4	5
Rev J McNamee	6	7
O J Olusola	6	7
J J G Rooney (appointed 1 September 2017) Accounting Officer (appointed 24 April 2017)	2	2
M J S Taylor (Resigned 31 August 2017)	5	7
A Whittaker	4	7

The Finance and Premises Committee is a sub-committee of the main Board of Governors. Its purpose is to approve the trust revenue budget, receive periodic management reports showing performance against the agreed budget, set accounting policies, ensure compliance with the Academies Accounts Direction, appoint external auditors and receive the annual audit report prior to presentation to the full Board of Governors.

During the period the Finance and Premises Committee was chaired by R A Prior FCCA.

Attendance at the Finance and Premises Committee was as follows:

Committee Member	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
R A Prior, Vice Chair	4	4
C J Bradbury	4	4
E E Butterfield	3	4
J L Duffield	3	4
M Hepworth	4	4
M Horrocks (resigned 19 March 2017)	2	2
P A Jackson	3	4
G J Long, Acting Headteacher (until 23 April 2017)	2	2
J J G Rooney (appointed 1 September 2017)	2	2
M J S Taylor (resigned 31 August 2017)	4	4
A Whittaker	3	4

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GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (continued)

REVIEW OF VALUE FOR MONEY

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

The Accounting Officer considers how the academy trust's use of its resources has provided good value for money during each academic year, and reports to the Board of Governors where value for money can be improved, including the use of benchmarking data where appropriate. The Accounting Officer for the academy trust has delivered improved value for money during the year by:

- Deploying resources and grant income in order further to improve student levels of achievement and attainment. The success of this deployment can be seen on in the Strategic Report – Achievement, Performance and KPIs.
- Made use of the Kreston UK National Academies Benchmarking report to review cost structures against national statistics.
- Implemented the use of Cover Supervisors as a means of covering for short term staff absences in a cost effective manner.
- Remodelled the curriculum and reviewed staffing structures in order significantly to reduce staff costs element of the annual budget.

THE PURPOSE OF THE SYSTEM OF INTERNAL CONTROL

The system of internal control is designed to manage risk to a reasonable level rather than to eliminate all risk of failure to achieve policies, aims and objectives; it can therefore only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance of effectiveness. The system of internal control is based on an ongoing process designed to identify and prioritise the risks to the achievement of academy trust policies, aims and objectives, to evaluate the likelihood of those risks being realised and the impact should they be realised, and to manage them efficiently, effectively and economically. The system of internal control has been in place in The McAuley Catholic High School for the year 1 September 2016 to 31 August 2017 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements.

CAPACITY TO HANDLE RISK

The Board of Governors has reviewed the key risks to which the academy trust is exposed together with the operating, financial and compliance controls that have been implemented to mitigate those risks. The Board of Governors is of the view that there is a formal ongoing process for identifying, evaluating and managing the academy trust's significant risks, that has been in place for the year 1 September 2016 to 31 August 2017 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements. This process is regularly reviewed by the Board of Governors.

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GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (continued)

THE RISK AND CONTROL FRAMEWORK

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

- comprehensive budgeting and monitoring systems with an annual budget and periodic financial reports which are reviewed and agreed by the Board of Governors;
- regular reviews by the Finance and Premises 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;
- delegation of authority and segregation of duties;
- identification and management of risks.

The Board of Governors has considered the need for a specific internal audit function and has decided not to appoint an internal auditor. However, the Governors have appointed Clive Owen LLP, the external auditors, to perform additional checks.

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

- Testing of payroll systems
- Testing of purchase systems
- Testing of petty cash/ expenses procedures
- Testing of income
- Testing of the accounting systems and management information produced
- Review of Governor appointments/resignations and declarations of interest
- Review of gifts and hospitality & honorarium/ex gratia payments
- Review of information technology strategy
- Review of fixed assets
- Review of VAT and Corporation tax position

On a termly basis, the auditors report to the Board of Governors through the Finance and Premises Committee on the operation of the systems of control and on the discharge of the Board of Governors' financial responsibilities.

No material control issues have arisen as a result of the work of the external auditor.

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GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (continued)

REVIEW OF EFFECTIVENESS

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

- the work of the external auditors;
- the work of the executive managers within the academy trust who have responsibility for the development and maintenance of the internal control framework.

The Accounting Officer has been advised of the implications of the result of their review of the system of internal control by the Finance and Premises Committee and a plan to address weaknesses and ensures continuous improvement of the system is in place.

Approved by order of the members of the Board of Governors on 13 December 2017 and signed on their behalf, by:



**P J Hurley
Chair**



**J J G Rooney
Accounting Officer**

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STATEMENT ON REGULARITY, PROPRIETY AND COMPLIANCE

As Accounting Officer of The McAuley Catholic High School I have considered my responsibility to notify the academy trust Board of Governors and the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) of material irregularity, impropriety and non-compliance with ESFA terms and conditions of funding, under the funding agreement in place between the academy trust and the Secretary of State for Education. As part of my consideration I have had due regard to the requirements of the Academies Financial Handbook 2016.

I confirm that I and the academy trust Board of Governors are able to identify any material irregular or improper use of funds by the academy trust, or material non-compliance with the terms and conditions of funding under the academy trust's funding agreement and the Academies Financial Handbook 2016.

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 Governors and ESFA.



**J J G Rooney
Accounting Officer**

Date: 13 December 2017

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STATEMENT OF GOVERNORS' RESPONSIBILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017

The Governors (who act as trustees of The McAuley Catholic High School and are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Governors' Report and the financial statements in accordance with the Annual Accounts Direction issued 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 Governors to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the Governors must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Governors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP 2015 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2016 to 2017;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The Governors are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charitable company's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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

The Governors 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 Governors on 13 December 2017 and signed on its behalf by:



P J Hurley
Chair

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF THE
MCAULEY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**

OPINION

We have audited the financial statements of The McAuley Catholic High School for the year ended 31 August 2017 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities incorporating Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Cash Flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law, United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', the Charities SORP 2015 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2016 to 2017 issued by the Education and Skills Funding Agency.

This report is made solely to the academy trusts members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the academy trust's members those matters we are required to state to them in an Auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the academy trust and its members, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the academy's affairs as at 31 August 2017 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006, the Charities SORP(FRS102) and the Academies Accounts Direction 2015 to 2016 issued by the Education Funding Agency.

BASIS OF OPINION

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

CONCLUSIONS RELATING TO GOING CONCERN

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

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

OTHER INFORMATION

The Governors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our Auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

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MCAULEY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**

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

We have nothing to report in this regard.

OPINION ON OTHER MATTERS PRESCRIBED BY THE COMPANIES ACT 2006

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

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

MATTERS ON WHICH WE ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT BY EXCEPTION

In the light of our knowledge and understanding of the academy and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Governors' Report including the Strategic Report.

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

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

RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES

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

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

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF THE
MCAULEY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**

AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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

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



Christopher Beaumont BA (Hons) FCA DChA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

for and on behalf of

Clive Owen LLP

Chartered Accountants
Statutory Auditors

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13 December 2017

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**INDEPENDENT REPORTING ACCOUNTANTS' ASSURANCE REPORT ON REGULARITY TO THE
MCAULEY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL AND THE EDUCATION FUNDING AGENCY**

In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 26 September 2016 and further to the requirements of the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) as included in the Academies Accounts Direction 2016 to 2017, we have carried out an engagement to obtain limited assurance about whether the expenditure disbursed and income received by The McAuley Catholic High School during the year 1 September 2016 to 31 August 2017 have been applied to the purposes identified by Parliament and the financial transactions conform to the authorities which govern them.

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

**RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE MCAULEY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL'S AND THE
REPORTING ACCOUNTANTS'**

The Accounting Officer is responsible, under the requirements of The McAuley Catholic High School's funding agreement with the Secretary of State for Education dated 30 April 2014, and the Academies Financial Handbook extant from 1 September 2016, for ensuring that expenditure disbursed and income received is applied for the purposes intended by Parliament and the financial transactions conform to the authorities which govern them.

Our responsibilities for this engagement are established in the United Kingdom by our profession's ethical guidance and are to obtain limited assurance and report in accordance with our engagement letter and the requirements of the Academies Accounts Direction 2016 to 2017. We report to you whether anything has come to our attention in carrying out our work which suggests that in all material respects, expenditure disbursed and income received during the year 1 September 2016 to 31 August 2017 have not been applied to purposes intended by Parliament or that the financial transactions do not conform to the authorities which govern them.

APPROACH

We conducted our engagement in accordance with the Academies Accounts Direction 2016 to 2017 issued by the ESFA. We performed a limited assurance engagement as defined in our engagement letter.

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

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

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

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**INDEPENDENT REPORTING ACCOUNTANTS' ASSURANCE REPORT ON REGULARITY TO THE
MCAULEY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL AND THE EDUCATION FUNDING AGENCY (continued)**

APPROACH (continued)

The work undertaken to draw to our conclusion includes:

- Review of governing body and committee minutes;
- Review of termly Internal Assurance reports;
- Completion of self assessment questionnaire by Accounting Officer;
- Discussions with the Accounting Officer and finance team;
- Review documentation provided to Governors and Accounting Officer setting out responsibilities;
- Obtain formal letters of representation detailing the responsibilities of Governors;
- Review of payroll, purchases and expenses claims on a sample basis;
- Confirmation that the lines of delegation and limits set have been adhered to;
- Evaluation of internal control procedures and reporting lines;
- Review cash payments for unusual transactions;
- Review of credit card transactions;
- Review of registers of interests;
- Review related party transactions;
- Review of borrowing agreements;
- Review of land and building transactions;
- Review of potential and actual bad debts; and
- Review an instance of gifts/hospitality to ensure in line with policy.

CONCLUSION

In the course of our work, nothing has come to our attention which suggests that in all material respects the expenditure disbursed and income received during the year 1 September 2016 to 31 August 2017 have not been applied to purposes intended by Parliament and the financial transactions do not conform to the authorities which govern them.



Clive Owen LLP

Reporting Accountants

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13 December 2017

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2017**

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2017 £000	Restricted funds 2017 £000	Restricted fixed asset funds 2017 £000	Total funds Year 2017 £000	Total funds Year 2016 £000
INCOME FROM:						
Donations and capital grants	2	3	-	131	134	54
Charitable activities	3	-	8,800	-	8,800	8,988
Other trading activities	4	241	-	-	241	219
Investments	5	4	-	-	4	4
TOTAL INCOME		248	8,800	131	9,179	9,265
EXPENDITURE ON:						
Charitable activities		371	8,972	112	9,455	9,593
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	6	371	8,972	112	9,455	9,593
NET INCOME / (EXPENDITURE) BEFORE OTHER RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES						
		(123)	(172)	19	(276)	(328)
Actuarial gains/(losses) on defined benefit pension schemes	20	-	920	-	920	(1,478)
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(123)	748	19	644	(1,806)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:						
Total funds brought forward		258	(3,878)	1,188	(2,432)	(626)
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		135	(3,130)	1,207	(1,788)	(2,432)

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 AUGUST 2017

	Note	£000	2017 £000	2016 £000
FIXED ASSETS				
Tangible assets	12		1,076	1,188
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors	13	239		287
Cash at bank and in hand		579		650
		<u>818</u>		<u>937</u>
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	14	<u>(552)</u>		<u>(679)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS			<u>266</u>	<u>258</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			<u>1,342</u>	<u>1,446</u>
Defined benefit pension scheme liability	20		<u>(3,130)</u>	<u>(3,878)</u>
NET LIABILITIES INCLUDING PENSION SCHEME LIABILITIES			<u><u>(1,788)</u></u>	<u><u>(2,432)</u></u>
FUNDS OF THE ACADEMY				
Restricted income funds:				
Restricted income funds excluding pension liability		1,207		1,188
Pension reserve		<u>(3,130)</u>		<u>(3,878)</u>
Total restricted income funds			<u>(1,923)</u>	<u>(2,690)</u>
Unrestricted income funds	15		<u>135</u>	<u>258</u>
TOTAL DEFICIT			<u><u>(1,788)</u></u>	<u><u>(2,432)</u></u>

The financial statements on pages 29 to 53 were approved by the Governors, and authorised for issue, on 13 December 2017 and are signed on their behalf, by:



Dr P J Hurley
Chair

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
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	Note	2017 £000	2016 £000
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities	17	(206)	3
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Dividends, interest and rents from investments		4	4
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		-	(223)
Capital grants from DfE/ESFA		131	35
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities		135	(184)
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year		(71)	(181)
Cash and cash equivalents brought forward		650	831
Cash and cash equivalents carried forward		579	650

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

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

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements of the academy trust, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared under the historical 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 2016 to 2017 issued by ESFA, the Charities Act 2011 and the Companies Act 2006.

The McAuley Catholic High School constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

1.2 Fund accounting

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

Restricted fixed asset funds are resources which are to be applied to specific capital purposes imposed by the Department for Education 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 and include grants from the Department for Education.

1.3 Income

All income is recognised once the academy trust has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Grants are included in the Statement of Financial Activities incorporating Income and Expenditure Account 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 entitlement of receipt, its recognition is deferred and included in creditors as deferred income. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, the income is accrued.

General Annual Grant is recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities incorporating Income and Expenditure Account in the year for which it is receivable and any abatement in respect of the period is deducted from income and recognised as a liability.

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

Donations are recognised on a receivable basis where receipt is probable and the amount can be reliably measured.

Other income is recognised in the period in which it is receivable and to the extent the goods have been provided or on completion of the service.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

1.4 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

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

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.5 Going concern

The Governors assess whether the use of going concern is appropriate, i.e. whether there are any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the academy to continue as a going concern. The Governors make this assessment in respect of a period of at least one year from the date of authorisation for issue of the financial statements and have concluded that the academy trust has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and there are no material uncertainties about the academy trust's ability to continue as a going concern, thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements

1.6 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Assets costing £1,000 or more are capitalised as tangible fixed assets and are carried at cost, net of depreciation and any provision for impairment.

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

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets other than freehold land, at rates calculated to write off the cost of these assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives on the following bases:

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Long-term leasehold improvements	-	25 years
Fixtures and fittings	-	7 years
Computer equipment	-	3 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 incorporating Income and Expenditure Account.

1.7 Operating leases

Rentals under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities incorporating Income and Expenditure Account on a straight line basis over the lease term.

1.8 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the academy trust; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the Bank.

1.9 Taxation

The academy trust is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the academy trust is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

1.10 Debtors

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

1.11 Cash at Bank and in hand

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

1.12 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities and provisions are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance Sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably. Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the academy anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide. Provisions 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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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

1.13 Financial instruments

The academy trust only holds basic financial instruments as defined in FRS 102. The financial assets and financial liabilities of the academy trust and their measurement basis 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 13. Prepayments are not financial instruments. Cash at bank is classified as a basic financial instrument and is measured at face value.

Financial liabilities - trade creditors, accruals and other creditors are financial instruments, and are measured at amortised costs as detailed in note 14. 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 instruments.

1.14 Pensions

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

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

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

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

1.15 Agency Arrangements

The academy trust acts as an agent in distributing 16-19 bursary funds from ESFA. Payments received from ESFA and subsequent disbursements to students are excluded from the statement of financial activities as the trust does not have control over the charitable application of the funds. The funds received and paid and any balances held are disclosed in note 24.

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

1.16 Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgment

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

Critical accounting estimates and assumptions:

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

The present value of the Local Government Pension Scheme defined benefit liability depends on a number of factors that are determined on an actuarial basis using a variety of assumptions. The assumptions used in determining the net cost (income) for pensions include the discount rate. Any changes in these assumptions, which are disclosed in note 20, will impact the carrying amount of the pension liability. Furthermore a roll forward approach which projects results from the latest full actuarial valuation performed at 31 March 2016 has been used by the actuary in valuing the pensions liability at 31 August 2017. Any differences between the figures derived from the roll forward approach and a full actuarial valuation would impact on the carrying amount of the pension liability.

Critical areas of judgment:

Depreciation – Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its residual value, over the economic life of that asset. An estimate of the useful life of assets is detailed in the depreciation accounting policy. The value of depreciation charge during the year was £112,000.

Land – With the exception of some of the playing fields, which are held under a 125 year lease from Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council, all of the academy premises consist of land (and buildings) owned by, or leased by, the Diocese of Hallam. The Trustees of the Diocese of Hallam are providers of the academy on the same basis as when the academy was a maintained school. The academy trust occupies the land (and buildings) under a mere licence. This continuing permission of the Diocese of Hallam is pursuant to, and subject to, the Diocese's charitable objects, and is part of the Catholic Church's contribution since 1847 to provide State funded education in partnership with the State. The licence delegates aspects of the management of the land (and buildings). Having considered the factual matrix under which the academy trust company is occupying the land (and building) the Governors have concluded that the value of the land and buildings occupied by the academy trust company will not be recognised on the balance sheet of the company.

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2. INCOME FROM DONATIONS AND CAPITAL GRANTS

	Unrestricted funds 2017 £000	Restricted fixed asset funds 2017 £000	Total funds Year 2017 £000	Total funds Year 2016 £000
Donations	3	-	3	19
Capital Grants	-	131	131	35
	<u>3</u>	<u>131</u>	<u>134</u>	<u>54</u>
<i>Total 2016</i>	<u>19</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>54</u>	

3. FUNDING FOR ACADEMY'S EDUCATIONAL OPERATIONS

	Unrestricted funds 2017 £000	Restricted funds 2017 £000	Total funds Year 2017 £000	Total funds Year 2016 £000
DfE/ESFA grants				
General Annual Grant (GAG)	-	8,371	8,371	8,578
Pupil Premium	-	288	288	307
SEN	-	50	50	72
Other DfE/ESFA Grants	-	76	76	19
Other Government Grants	-	15	15	12
	<u>-</u>	<u>8,800</u>	<u>8,800</u>	<u>8,988</u>
<i>Total 2016</i>	<u>-</u>	<u>8,988</u>	<u>8,988</u>	

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4. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds 2017 £000	Restricted funds 2017 £000	Total funds Year 2017 £000	Total funds Year 2016 £000
Lettings income	1	-	1	-
Uniform income	5	-	5	21
Trip income	204	-	204	182
Other income	31	-	31	16
	<u>241</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>241</u>	<u>219</u>
<i>Total 2016</i>	<u>219</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>219</u>	

5. INVESTMENT INCOME

	Unrestricted funds 2017 £000	Restricted funds 2017 £000	Total funds Year 2017 £000	Total funds Year 2016 £000
Bank interest	4	-	4	4
	<u>4</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4</u>	
<i>Total 2016</i>	<u>4</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>4</u>	

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6. EXPENDITURE

	Staff costs	Premises	Other costs	Total	Total
	2017	2017	2017	Year	Year
	£000	£000	£000	2017	2016
				£000	£000
Educational operations:					
Direct costs	6,627	-	892	7,519	6,937
Support costs	600	696	640	1,936	2,656
	<u>7,227</u>	<u>696</u>	<u>1,532</u>	<u>9,455</u>	<u>9,593</u>
<i>Total 2016</i>	<u>7,502</u>	<u>714</u>	<u>487</u>	<u>8,703</u>	

In 2017, of the total expenditure, £371,000 (2016 - £581,000) was to unrestricted funds and £9,084,000 (2016 - £9,012,000) was to restricted funds.

There were no individual transactions over £5,000 for:

- Compensation payments
- Gifts made by the trust
- Fixed asset losses
- Stock losses
- Cash losses
- Unrecoverable debts

There were no ex-gratia payments in the year.

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7. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2017 £000	2016 £000
DIRECT COSTS		
Wages and salaries	5,242	4,869
National insurance	511	431
Pension cost	874	747
Educational supplies	255	413
Examination fees	161	176
Staff development	18	19
Technology costs	53	74
Educational consultancy	144	17
Travel and subsistence	16	12
Other direct costs	245	179
	7,519	6,937
SUPPORT COSTS		
Wages and salaries	408	1,136
National insurance	30	67
Pension costs	162	252
Depreciation	112	99
Net interest cost on pension scheme	79	88
Technology costs	125	80
Recruitment and support	77	53
Maintenance of premises and equipment	220	145
Cleaning	247	255
Rates	49	51
Energy	134	138
Insurance	59	54
Security	4	14
Catering	129	140
Occupancy costs	13	12
Other support costs	73	49
Governance costs	15	23
	1,936	2,656
	9,455	9,593

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8. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

This is stated after charging:

	2017 £000	2016 £000
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets:		
- owned by the charity	112	99
Fees payable to auditor for audit	9	11
Fees payable to auditor for other services	3	6
Operating lease rentals	10	11
	<u>134</u>	<u>127</u>

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9. STAFF COSTS

Staff costs were as follows:

	2017 £000	2016 £000
Wages and salaries	5,411	5,723
Social security costs	541	498
Operating costs of defined benefit pension schemes	1,036	999
	<u>6,988</u>	<u>7,220</u>
Apprenticeship levy	5	-
Supply staff costs	234	237
Staff restructuring costs	-	45
	<u><u>7,227</u></u>	<u><u>7,502</u></u>

Included in operating costs of defined benefit pension schemes is £93,000 (2016: £25,000) in respect of movements in the LGPS pension deficit.

Staff restructuring costs comprise:

Severance payments	-	45
	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>45</u></u>

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

	2017 No.	2016 No.
Teachers	104	115
Administration and support	67	79
Management	7	10
	<u>178</u>	<u>204</u>
	<u><u>178</u></u>	<u><u>204</u></u>

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

	2017 No.	2016 No.
In the band £60,001 - £70,000	3	2
In the band £70,001 - £80,000	0	2
In the band £90,001 - £100,000	1	0
In the band £120,001 - £130,000	0	1

The key management personnel of the academy trust comprise the Governors and senior leadership team as listed on page 1. The total amount of employee benefits (including employer national insurance and pension contributions) received by key management personnel for their services to the academy trust was £789,000 (2016: £837,000).

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10. GOVERNORS' REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

One or more Governors has been paid remuneration or has received other benefits from an employment with the academy trust. The Principal and other staff Governors only receive remuneration in respect of services they provide undertaking the roles of principal and other staff members under their contracts of employment, and not in respect of their role as Governors. The value of Governors' remuneration and other benefits was as follows:

		2017	2016
		£000	£000
G Long (Headteacher and Governor)	Remuneration	90-95	15-20
	Pension contributions paid	15-20	0-5
C M Brown (Headteacher and Governor) - Resigned 31 May 2016	Remuneration	-	120-125
	Pension contributions paid	-	10-15
C Bradbury (staff Governor)	Remuneration	20-25	5-10
	Pension contributions paid	0-5	0-5
M Hepworth (staff Governor)	Remuneration	40-45	40-45
	Pension contributions paid	5-10	5-10
A Nielson (staff Governor) - Resigned 1 March 2016	Remuneration	-	10-15
	Pension contributions paid	-	0-5
M J Taylor (staff Governor)	Remuneration	40-45	40-45
	Pension contributions paid	5-10	5-10

During the period ended 31 August 2017, no Governors received any reimbursement of expenses (2016 - £NIL).

11. GOVERNORS' AND OFFICERS' INSURANCE

In accordance with normal commercial practice the academy trust has purchased insurance to protect Governors and officers from claims arising from negligent acts, errors or omissions occurring whilst on academy trust business. The insurance provides cover up to £2,000,000 on any one claim and the cost for the year ended 31 August 2017 was not separately identifiable from the total insurance cost.

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12. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Long-term leasehold improvements £000	Fixtures and fittings £000	Computer equipment £000	Total £000
Cost				
At 1 September 2016 and 31 August 2017	1,037	160	162	1,359
Depreciation				
At 1 September 2016	52	37	82	171
Charge for the year	40	23	49	112
At 31 August 2017	92	60	131	283
Net book value				
At 31 August 2017	945	100	31	1,076
At 31 August 2016	985	123	80	1,188

13. DEBTORS

	2017 £000	2016 £000
Trade debtors	18	26
VAT debtor	44	56
Prepayments and accrued income	177	205
	239	287

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14. CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year

	2017	2016
	£000	£000
Trade creditors	211	142
Other taxation and social security	219	232
Other creditors	9	9
Accruals and deferred income	113	296
	552	679
	552	679
	2017	2016
	£000	£000
Deferred income		
Deferred income at 1 September 2016	68	116
Resources deferred during the year	69	68
Amounts released from previous years	(68)	(116)
	69	68
Deferred income at 31 August 2017	69	68

At the balance sheet date the academy trust was holding funds received in advance for devolved formula capital, rates relief and trip income.

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15. STATEMENT OF FUNDS

	Balance at 1 September 2016 £000	Income £000	Expenditure £000	Gains/ (Losses) £000	Balance at 31 August 2017 £000
Unrestricted funds					
General funds	121	248	(369)	-	-
Inherited on conversion	137	-	(2)	-	135
	<u>258</u>	<u>248</u>	<u>(371)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>135</u>
Restricted funds					
General Annual Grant (GAG)	-	8,371	(8,371)	-	-
Rates relief	-	30	(30)	-	-
Pupil premium	-	288	(288)	-	-
16-19 Bursary Fund	-	8	(8)	-	-
Year 7 Catch up	-	22	(22)	-	-
Residential support scheme	-	16	(16)	-	-
SEN	-	50	(50)	-	-
LAC Pupil Premium	-	15	(15)	-	-
Pension reserve	(3,878)	-	(172)	920	(3,130)
	<u>(3,878)</u>	<u>8,800</u>	<u>(8,972)</u>	<u>920</u>	<u>(3,130)</u>
Restricted fixed asset funds					
Devolved Formula Capital	83	34	(4)	-	113
Academies Capital Maintenance Fund	465	-	(18)	-	447
Capital expenditure from GAG	640	-	(90)	-	550
Condition Improvement Fund	-	97	-	-	97
	<u>1,188</u>	<u>131</u>	<u>(112)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,207</u>
Total restricted funds	<u>(2,690)</u>	<u>8,931</u>	<u>(9,084)</u>	<u>920</u>	<u>(1,923)</u>
Total of funds	<u>(2,432)</u>	<u>9,179</u>	<u>(9,455)</u>	<u>920</u>	<u>(1,788)</u>

STATEMENT OF FUNDS - PRIOR YEAR

	Balance at 1 September 2015 £000	Income £000	Expenditure £000	Transfers in/out £000	Gains/ (Losses) £000	Balance at 31 August 2016 £000
Unrestricted funds						
General funds	62	242	(183)	-	-	121
Inherited on conversion	535	-	(398)	-	-	137
	<u>597</u>	<u>242</u>	<u>(581)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>258</u>

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15. STATEMENT OF FUNDS (continued)

Restricted funds

General Annual Grant (GAG)	-	8,579	(8,391)	(188)	-	-
Pupil premium	-	306	(306)	-	-	-
Other ESFA grants	-	19	(19)	-	-	-
Other government grants	-	12	(12)	-	-	-
SEN	-	72	(72)	-	-	-
Pension reserve	(2,287)	-	(113)	-	(1,478)	(3,878)
	<u>(2,287)</u>	<u>8,988</u>	<u>(8,913)</u>	<u>(188)</u>	<u>(1,478)</u>	<u>(3,878)</u>

Restricted fixed asset funds

Devolved Formula Capital	51	35	(3)	-	-	83
Academies Capital Maintenance Fund	481	-	(16)	-	-	465
Capital expenditure from GAG	532	-	(80)	188	-	640
	<u>1,064</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>(99)</u>	<u>188</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,188</u>
Total restricted funds	<u>(1,223)</u>	<u>9,023</u>	<u>(9,012)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,478)</u>	<u>(2,690)</u>
Total of funds	<u>(626)</u>	<u>9,265</u>	<u>(9,593)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,478)</u>	<u>(2,432)</u>

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

General Annual Grant (GAG) must be used for the normal running costs of the academy including salaries and related costs, overheads, repairs and maintenance and insurance.

Pupil premium was provided to deliver additional learning support to deprived children as the academy sees fit.

SEN funding was provided to cover the costs of supporting students with additional learning requirements.

Restricted fixed asset funds represent monies received to purchase fixed assets. Depreciation is charged against each fund over the useful economic life of the associated assets.

Unrestricted funds include the income from school trips, lettings, uniform and other sundry income.

Under the funding agreement with the Secretary of State, the academy was not subject to a limit on the amount of GAG that it could carry forward at 31 August 2017.

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16. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	Unrestricted funds 2017 £000	Restricted funds 2017 £000	Restricted fixed asset funds 2017 £000	Total funds Year 2017 £000
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	1,076	1,076
Current assets	395	292	131	818
Creditors due within one year	(260)	(292)	-	(552)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	-	(3,130)	-	(3,130)
	<u>135</u>	<u>(3,130)</u>	<u>1,207</u>	<u>(1,788)</u>

ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS - PRIOR YEAR

	Unrestricted funds 2016 £000	Restricted funds 2016 £000	Restricted fixed asset funds 2016 £000	Total funds Year 2016 £000
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	1,188	1,188
Current assets	258	679	-	937
Creditors due within one year	-	(679)	-	(679)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	-	(3,878)	-	(3,878)
	<u>258</u>	<u>(3,878)</u>	<u>1,188</u>	<u>(2,432)</u>

17. RECONCILIATION OF NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2017 £000	2016 £000
Net expenditure for the year (as per Statement of Financial Activities)	(276)	(328)
Adjustment for:		
Depreciation charges	112	99
Dividends, interest and rents from investments	(4)	(4)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	48	(7)
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(127)	165
Capital grants from DfE and other capital income	(131)	(35)
Defined benefit pension scheme cost less contributions payable	93	25
Defined benefit pension scheme finance cost	79	88
Net cash (used in)/provided by operating activities	<u>(206)</u>	<u>3</u>

18. ANALYSIS OF CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2017 £000	2016 £000
Cash in hand	579	650
Total	<u>579</u>	<u>650</u>

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19. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

At 31 August 2017 the academy had capital commitments as follows:

	2017	2016
	£000	£000
Contracted for but not provided in these financial statements	1,052	-
	1,052	-

20. PENSION COMMITMENTS

The academy's employees belong to two principal pension schemes: the Teacher's Pension Scheme for England and Wales (TPS) for academic and related staff; and the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) for non-teaching staff, which is managed by Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council. Both are Multi-Employer Defined Benefit Pension Schemes.

The latest actuarial valuation of the TPS related to the period ended 31 March 2012 and of the LGPS 31 March 2016.

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

Teachers' Pension Scheme

Introduction

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

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

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. The aim of the review is to specify the level of future contributions. Actuarial scheme valuations are dependent on assumptions about the value of future costs, design of benefits and many other factors. The latest actuarial valuation of the TPS was carried out as at 31 March 2012 and in accordance with the Public Service Pensions (Valuations and Employer Cost Cap) Directions 2014. The valuation report was published by the Department for Education on 9 June 2014. The key elements of the valuation and subsequent consultation are:

- employer contribution rates set at 16.48% of pensionable pay, including a 0.08% employer administration charge
- total scheme liabilities (pensions currently in payment and the estimated cost of future benefits) for service to the effective date of £191,500 million, and notional assets (estimated future contributions together with the notional investments held at the valuation date) of £176,600 million giving a notional past service deficit of £14,900 million
- an employer cost cap of 10.9% of pensionable pay will be applied to future valuations
- the assumed real rate of return is 3.0% in excess of prices and 2% in excess of earnings. The rate of real earnings growth is assumed to be 2.75%. The assumed nominal rate of return is 5.06%.

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20. PENSION COMMITMENTS (continued)

During the previous year the employer contribution rate was 16.48%. The TPS valuation for 2012 determined an employer rate of 16.4%, which was payable from September 2015. The next valuation of the TPS is currently underway based on April 2016 data, whereupon the employer contribution rate is expected to be reassessed and will be payable from 1 April 2019.

The employer's pension costs paid to TPS in the period amounted to £684,000 (2016 - £721,000).

A copy of the valuation report and supporting documentation is on the Teachers' Pensions website (www.teacherspensions.co.uk/news/employers/2014/06/publication-of-the-valuation-report.aspx).

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

Local Government Pension Scheme

The LGPS is a funded defined benefit scheme, with assets held in separate trustee-administered funds. The total contribution made for the year ended 31 August 2017 was £330,000 (2016 - £263,000), of which employer's contributions totalled £269,000 (2016 - £209,000) and employees' contributions totalled £61,000 (2016 - £54,000). The agreed contribution rates for future years are 14.7% for employers and 2.9 - 10.9% for employees.

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:

	2017	2016
Discount rate for scheme liabilities	2.50 %	2.10 %
Rate of increase in salaries	3.45 %	3.55 %
Rate of increase for pensions in payment / inflation	2.20 %	1.90 %
Inflation assumption (CPI)	1.80 %	1.80 %

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

	2017	2016
Retiring today		
Males	22.9	23.0
Females	25.7	25.7
Retiring in 20 years		
Males	25.1	25.4
Females	28.0	28.5

	At 31 August 2017	At 31 August 2016
Sensitivity analysis	£000	£000
Discount rate +0.1%	5,482	5,706
Mortality assumption - 1 year increase	5,711	5,946
CPI rate +0.1%	5,651	5,901

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20. PENSION COMMITMENTS (continued)

The academy's share of the assets in the scheme was:

	Fair value at 31 August 2017 £000	Fair value at 31 August 2016 £000
Equities	1,508	1,150
Government bonds	342	295
Property	226	216
Cash and other liquid assets	50	33
Other	186	151
Other bonds	169	122
Total market value of assets	<u><u>2,481</u></u>	<u><u>1,967</u></u>

The actual return on scheme assets was £263,000 (2016 - £306,000).

The amounts recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities incorporating Income and Expenditure Account are as follows:

	2017 £000	2016 £000
Current service cost	(362)	(230)
Past service cost	-	(4)
Interest income	44	62
Interest cost	(123)	(150)
Total	<u><u>(441)</u></u>	<u><u>(322)</u></u>
Actual return on scheme assets	<u><u>263</u></u>	<u><u>306</u></u>

Movements in the present value of the defined benefit obligation were as follows:

	2017 £000	2016 £000
Opening defined benefit obligation	5,845	3,704
Current service cost	362	230
Interest cost	123	150
Member contributions	61	54
Actuarial (gains)/losses	(738)	1,722
Benefits paid	(38)	(15)
Administration expenses	(4)	-
Closing defined benefit obligation	<u><u>5,611</u></u>	<u><u>5,845</u></u>

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20. PENSION COMMITMENTS (continued)

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

	2017 £000	2016 £000
Opening fair value of scheme assets	1,967	1,417
Return on plan assets (excluding net interest on the net defined pension liability)	-	62
Interest income	44	-
Actuarial gains	182	244
Employer contributions	269	209
Employee contributions	61	54
Benefits paid	(38)	(15)
Administration expenses	(4)	(4)
	2,481	1,967
Closing fair value of scheme assets	2,481	1,967

21. OPERATING LEASE COMMITMENTS

At 31 August 2017 the total of the academy trust's future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases was:

	2017 £000	2016 £000
Amounts payable:		
Within 1 year	9	11
Between 1 and 5 years	4	20
	13	31
Total	13	31

22. NET INTEREST COST ON PENSION SCHEME

	2017 £000	2016 £000
Interest income on pension scheme assets	44	62
Interest on pension scheme liabilities	(123)	(150)
	(79)	(88)
	(79)	(88)

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23. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Owing to the nature of the academy trust's operations and the composition of the Board of Governors being drawn from local public and private sector organisations, transactions may take place with organisations in which the academy trust has an interest. All transactions involving such organisations are conducted at arm's length and in accordance with the academy trust's financial regulations and normal procurement procedures. The following related party transactions took place in the period of account.

The Diocese of Hallam - a member of the academy trust.

The academy trust paid for subscriptions to the Diocese of Hallam Schools' Partnership to provide a fund for Diocesan Schools totalling £Nil (2016: £10,000).

The academy trust contributed to the Diocese's Education Service totalling £25,000 (2016: £26,000). The academy trust paid for other sundry services totalling £1,000 (2016: £2,000).

In entering into the transactions the academy trust has complied with the requirements of ESFA's Academies Financial Handbook.

24. AGENCY ARRANGEMENTS

The academy trust distributes 16-19 bursary funds to students as an agent for ESFA. In the accounting period ending 31 August 2017 the trust received £8,000 (2016: £26,000) and disbursed £8,000 (2016: £17,000) from the fund. An amount of £9,000 (2016: £9,000) is included in other creditors relating to undistributed funds that is repayable to ESFA.

