

# Edukos Trust

(A company limited by guarantee)

Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the Year Ended 31 August 2023

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## **Edukos Trust**

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## Edukos Trust

### Reference and administrative details

<b>Members</b>	H Thomas N Greenfield L Dawson E Kenton Mudd J Lawrence
<b>Trustees (Directors)</b>	S Breene N Greenfield, Chair C Huscroft, Chief Executive Officer (CEO) (accounting officer) E Macdonald C Wilson N Robinson S Myers A Dolman (appointed 23 November 2022) T Akhtar (appointed 25 January 2023)
<b>Company Secretary</b>	S Crawford
<b>Senior Management Team</b>	C Huscroft, CEO H Stephenson, Head of School - Swanland A Oxtoby, Executive Head Teacher C Ainley, Head of School - Hook S Crawford, Chief Finance Officer N Dodds, Head of School - Airmyn T Turton, Head of School - Beverley
<b>Principal and Registered Office</b>	c/o Swanland Primary School Tranby Lane Swanland East Yorkshire HU14 3NE
<b>Company Registration Number</b>	07679051
<b>Auditors</b>	Forrester Boyd Chartered Accountants 26 South St Mary's Gate Grimsby N E Lincs DN31 1LW
<b>Bankers</b>	Lloyds Banking Group 1-7 George Street Hull HU1 3BB

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**Reference and administrative details (continued)**

**Solicitors**

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## Edukos Trust

### Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 August 2023

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements and auditors' report of the charitable company for the year ended 31 August 2023. The annual report serves the purposes of both a trustees' report, incorporating a strategic report, and a directors' report under company law.

The Trust operates four academies for pupils aged 4 to 11 serving catchment areas in the East Riding of Yorkshire.

School Name	Published Admission Number	NOR (census data October 2020)
Airmyn Park Primary School	112	103
Beverley St Nicholas Primary School	446	309
Dunswell Academy	105	93
Hook C E Primary School	210	202
Swanland Primary School	420	429

#### Structure, governance and management

##### *Constitution*

The Academy Trust is a company limited by guarantee and is an exempt charity. The charitable company's memorandum and articles of association are the primary governing documents of the Academy Trust. The company registration number is 07679051.

The trustees of Edukos Trust are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law.

Details of the trustees who served throughout the year except as noted are included in the Reference and Administrative Details on page 1.

##### *Members' liability*

Each member of the charitable company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the 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 cease to be a member.

##### *Trustees' indemnities*

The academy trust through its Articles has indemnified its Trustees to the fullest extent permissible by law. During the period the Academy Trust also purchased and maintained liability insurance for its Trustees.

##### *Method of recruitment and appointment or election of Directors*

The number of Directors shall be not less than three nor more than twelve;

Subject to Articles 48-49, the Company shall have the following Directors:

- (a) Up to seven Directors, appointed under Articles 50 and 50AA combined; and
- (b) 2 Staff Directors appointed under Article 50A; and
- (c) Parent Directors if appointed under Articles 53-56 in the event that no provision is made for parent representatives on Local Governing Bodies under Article 101A.

The Company may also have any Co-opted Director appointed under Article 58.

The first Directors shall be those persons named in the statement delivered pursuant to sections 9 and 12 of the Companies Act 2006.

Future Directors shall be appointed or elected, as the case may be, under these Articles. Where it is not possible for such a Director to be appointed or elected due to the fact that an Academy has not yet been established, then the relevant Article or part thereof shall not apply.

Full details relating to the appointment and removal of Directors are contained in the Articles of Association.

During the year under review the Board of Trustees held 3 formal meetings.

## **Edukos Trust**

### **Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (continued)**

#### ***Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of Trustees***

All new Trustees are inducted into their role by the Chairman of the Trust and the Chief Executive Officer, along with the support of the Clerk to the Governing Body, to ensure that they understand their Trustee responsibilities and duties as a Director.

Trustee training is provided as required either on request by the Trustees or on the recommendation of the Chief Executive Officer.

#### ***Organisational structure***

The Board of Trustees (Directors) has strategic oversight of the operation of the Academy Trust. In order to undertake its accountabilities, it has established the following committees to provide it with the information needed in order to fulfil its statutory duties:

- Business and Audit
- Finance
- Personnel
- Local Governing Boards
- School Improvement

The Chief Executive Officer is the Trust's Accounting Officer and in this role, under the leadership of the Trust's Chief Finance Officer, who is a fully qualified accountant and under the guidance of the Trustees (Directors), ensures appropriate oversight of financial transactions.

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

The CEO has their pay set without reference to the group size of any school they are linked with. Their pay scale is set on the Edukos Trust leadership scale to reflect the size and challenge of their trust role. The Chair of Trustees advises on the range for the CEO with external advice and following consideration by the Trustees of a business case, to support the rationale that underpins the decision.

Executive Head Teachers/Head Teachers/Heads of School are appointed on a range set by the Trustees. The range reflects the context, complexity and challenge of the role and is not necessarily linked to the group size of the school/academy.

#### ***Trade Union facility time***

There has been no trade union facility time in the year.

#### ***Connected organisations, including related party relationships***

The Academy Trust currently has the following connected organisations or related party relationships:

- Wolds Teaching School Alliance
- Hull Collaborative Academy Trust
- Sheffield Diocese Board of Education
- The One Point

All transactions with Hull Collaborative Academy Trust have been provided 'at no more than cost'. Edukos Trust do also hold a contract with The One Point, however this was entered into prior to N Greenfield becoming key management at The One Point.

#### **Objectives and activities**

##### ***Objects and aims***

The Academy Trust's objectives are set to reflect the educational aims and ethos of the schools. In setting the objectives and planning the activities, the Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit and in particular to its supplementary public benefit guidance on advancing education and on fee-charging.

The main objects of the Academy Trust are:

Advancing education in the United Kingdom, in particular but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing by establishing, maintaining, carrying on, managing and developing a school offering a broad and balanced curriculum.

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### **Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (continued)**

#### ***Objectives, strategies and activities***

The main objectives between 1st September 2022 to 31 August 2023 were:

- To ensure the curriculum in Edukos Trust schools is fit for purpose;
- To ensure there is a relentless focus on the growth of Edukos Trust;
- To ensure financial viability for Edukos' current and future schools;
- Continue to work with DfE to raise the awareness of Edukos Trust with the East Riding of Yorkshire.

#### ***Public benefit***

The academy trust provides educational services to all children in the local area. The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in Section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 and to have due regard to the public benefit guidance provided by the Charity Commission for England and Wales.

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### Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

#### Strategic Report

#### Achievements and performance

#### Key non-financial performance indicators

Reception EYFS GLD outcomes	Good Level of Development %	
	2022	2023
Airmyn	81.8	71.4
Dunswell	66.7	76.5
Hook	44.8	78.6
Beverley St Nicks	71.4	60
Swanland	75	79
Edukos	68	73.1
National	65.2	67.2

KS1 2023 SATs results (Y2)	Reading		Writing		Maths	
	EX+	GD	EX+	GD	EX+	GD
Airmyn	62	31	54	0	62	23
Dunswell	80	20	67	0	93	13
Hook	60	30	50	3	77	20
Beverley St Nicks	54	14	42	8	54	10
Swanland	73	25	66	8	75	25
Edukos	66	24	56	4	72	18
National	68	19	60	8	70	16

KS2 Provisional 2023	Reading		Writing		Maths		SPAG	
	EX+	GD	EX+	GD	EX+	GD	EX+	GD
Airmyn	82	18	76	0	94	18	59	6
Dunswell	91	36	72.7	9	82	9	82	18
Hook	50	13	70	7	63	6	63	6
Beverley St Nick	61	13.5	49	6.1	55.9	3.38	50.8	6.1
Swanland	86	41	74	14	81	40	81	34
Edukos	74	24.3	68.3	7.22	75.2	15.3	67.2	14
Edukos (with BSN)	77	27	73	7.5	80	18	71	16
National	73	29	71	13	73	24	72	30



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### Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

#### *Key financial performance indicators*

The Academy understands that its biggest expense is staff costs and that this must be carefully monitored. The Academy expects that staff costs should be less than 80% of income in order to remain efficient. In the year to 31 August 2023 staff costs were 82% (2022: 83%) of incoming resources, excluding capital and actuarial adjustments.

#### *Going concern*

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

#### **Financial review**

The financial results for the year were as expected.

The Academy's main source of income, the General Annual Grant (GAG), consists mainly of the funding for individual pupils aged between 4 and 11.

Careful financial management had enabled Edukos Trust to operate with a surplus balance. At 31 August 2023 balances on the restricted and unrestricted funds of £437,870 (2022: £361,030) surplus and £143,246 (2022: £Nil) surplus, respectively, were carried forward.

Excluding pension and capital, there was a total in year surplus of £220,086, therefore free reserves are £581,116.

#### *Financial and risk management objectives and policies*

The Trustees are continuing to review a number of systems to assess risks that the school faces and they have introduced systems and internal financial controls in order to minimise risk. 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.

The Trustees have reviewed current examples of best practice and have set policies on internal controls which cover the following:

- the type of risks the Academy Trust faces;
- the level of risks which they regard as acceptable;
- the likelihood of the risks materialising;
- the Academy Trusts' ability to reduce the incidence and impact on the Academy's operations of risks that do materialise;
- the costs of operating particular controls relative to the benefits obtained.
- clarified the responsibility of the Senior Leadership Team to implement the Trustees'/Governors' policies and to identify and evaluate risks for the Trustees'/Governors' consideration;
- explained to employees that they have responsibility for internal control as part of their accountability for achieving objectives;
- embedded the control system in the Academy Trusts' operations so that it becomes part of the culture of the Academy Trust;
- developed systems to respond quickly to evolving risks arising from factors within the Academy Trust and to changes in the external environment; and
- included procedures for reporting failings immediately to appropriate levels of management and the Trustees together with details of corrective action being undertaken.

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### Trustees' Annual Report for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

#### **Reserves policy**

The Trustees review the reserve levels of the Academy Trust annually. The review encompasses the nature of income and expenditure streams, the need to match income with commitments and the nature of reserves. The educational obligations that the Academy Trust has on a day-to-day basis are funded from its restricted reserves that were provided for this purpose. The Trustees need to ensure that the Academy Trust has sufficient working capital to cover delays between receipt of grants and spending, and are able to deal with unexpected emergencies that may arise such as emergency maintenance.

The Academy Trust held balances as at 31 August 2023 of £15,734,008 (2022: £8,453,993), comprising £437,870 surplus of restricted funds (2022: £361,030), £15,570,892 surplus of Restricted Fixed Asset Funds, of which £15,379,416 can only be realised by disposing of tangible fixed assets (2022: £8,351,963), and £143,246 surplus of other unrestricted reserves (2022: £Nil).

The Trust aims to hold reserves of a minimum of one month's expenditure, approximately £460,000. Free reserves currently total £581,116.

#### **Investment policy**

An investment policy has been implemented in the year, which sets out the level of risk the academy deems appropriate for investments. Currently, the Academy Trust has no investments, other than interest generated on the school's current account.

#### **Principal risks and uncertainties**

The Academy has identified principal risks and uncertainties including:

1. Income reduction as a result of changes to the national funding formula for pupils in the school;
2. On-going national curriculum changes and educational reforms;
3. Increased pressure owing to the levels of SEND children being educated in Trust schools;
4. Significant growth in pupil numbers on roll owing to the Fair Access Policy increasing class sizes beyond the efficiency and capacity of school infrastructure.

#### **Fundraising**

The academy trust does not use any external fundraisers. All fundraising undertaken during the year was monitored by the Trustees.

#### **Employment of disabled persons**

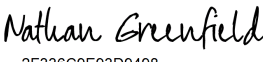
The policy of the Academy is to support recruitment and retention of students and employees with disabilities. The Academy supports this by adapting the physical environment wherever possible, by making support resources available and through training and career development. Improvements to existing buildings all recognise the need to be fully DDA compliant.

#### **Auditor**

Insofar as the Trustees are aware:

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

Trustees' Annual Report, incorporating a Strategic Report, was approved by order of the Board of Trustees, as the company directors, on 14 December 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

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N Greenfield  
Trustee

## Edukos Trust

### Governance statement

#### Scope of responsibility

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

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

The Board of Trustees has delegated the day-to-day responsibility to C Huscroft, 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 Edukos Trust and the Secretary of State for Education. They are also responsible for reporting to the Board of Trustees any material weaknesses or breakdowns in internal control.

#### Governance

The information on governance included here supplements that described in the Trustees' Annual Report and in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities. The Board of Trustees has formally met 4 times during the year. Attendance during the year at meetings of the Board of Trustees was as follows:

Trustee	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
S Breene	3	4
N Greenfield, Chair	3	4
E Macdonald	3	4
N Robinson	3	4
S Myers	3	4
C Huscroft, Chief Executive Officer (CEO)	4	4
C Wilson	4	4
A Dolman (appointed 23 November 2022)	2	4
T Akhtar (appointed 25 January 2023)	3	3

#### Governance reviews

Owing to the new schools joining the trust, governance has been reviewed at Local Committee level and we have ensured that a cross representation of skills are on these committees. We continue to review the skills at trustee level and have good representation of skills, knowledge and experience. We are looking to further strengthen this by the addition of new members to the board.

The Trust is applying to receive money through the Trust Capacity Fund (TCaF) which will include a review of governance. If successful the review will be completed before the end of March 2023.

The board's responsibilities are clearly set out in the Trust's Scheme of Delegation. They oversee the sub-committees and receive the minutes from their meetings which provides them with clear oversight of the committees' work.

There have been no significant changes in the board's composition other than the resignation of one member and therefore the appointment of a replacement member for this vacancy.

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### Governance statement (continued)

The Finance Committee is a sub-committee of the main Board of Trustees. Its purpose is to ensure that stringent financial measures are in place for both academies and that these are followed carefully by all who have delegated responsibility. Attendance at meetings during the year was as follows:

Trustee	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
C Huscroft	3	3
E Macdonald	2	3
N Greenfield	3	3
N Robinson	2	3

#### Effective oversight of funds

Effective oversight of funds has been maintained by issuing monthly management accounts to all trustees allowing them to raise queries where applicable.

#### Review of value for money

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

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

- appointment of central services staff to key positions. In particular the appointment of a Chief Finance Officer continues to allow for a more strategic oversight of how trust finances are spent. The Trust's SEND leader provides support and cover for staff within the Trust Schools.
- sharing staff costs across the schools in order that duplication of roles is mitigated and therefore making savings to both schools;
- Allowing new schools joining the trust to access contracts/resources that currently are in place avoiding set up fees and also benefitting from economies of scale.

#### 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 Edukos Trust for the year ended 31 August 2023 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements.

#### Capacity to handle risk

The Board of Trustees has reviewed the key risks to which the academy trust is exposed, together with the operating, financial and compliance controls that have been implemented to mitigate those risks. The Board of Trustees is of the view that there is a formal ongoing process for identifying, evaluating and managing the academy trust's significant risks that has been in place for the year ended 31 August 2023 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and financial statements. This process is regularly reviewed by the Board of Trustees.

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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 Trustees;
- regular reviews by the Finance Committee of reports which indicate financial performance against forecast 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 trustees has considered the need for a specific internal audit function and has decided:

- To appoint an internal auditor. The Trustees have appointed Phoenix Accountancy and Business Consultancy Ltd for the year ended 31 August 2023.

The reviewer's role includes giving advice on financial matters and performing a range of checks on the academy trust's financial and non-financial systems. On a periodic basis, the reviewer reports to the board of trustees on the operation of the systems of control and on the discharge of the board of trustees' financial responsibilities.

The reviewer has delivered the planned reviews in the following areas:

- a review of fixed assets
- a review of income
- a review of VAT & corporation tax
- a review of statutory documentation

The internal audit programme is scheduled to coincide with the Business and Audit committee meetings in order that a timely and relevant report can be received by the committee.

The reviewer's role includes giving advice on financial matters and performing a range of checks on the academy trust's financial systems. On a periodic basis, covering at least 4 areas a year, the reviewer reports to the Board of Trustees on the operation of the systems of control and on the discharge of the Board of Trustee's financial responsibilities.

There were no material control or other issues reported by the Internal Reviewer to date.


#### Review of effectiveness

As Accounting Officer, C Huscroft 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 and internal auditor;
- the work of the executive managers within the Academy Trust who have responsibility for the development and maintenance of the internal control framework.


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

Approved by order of the members of the Board of Trustees on 14 December 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

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N Greenfield  
Trustee

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**Governance statement (continued)**

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C Huscroft  
Accounting Officer  
Trustee

## Edukos Trust

### Statement of regularity, propriety and compliance

As accounting officer of Edukos Trust I have considered my responsibility to notify the academy trust Board of Trustees and the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) of material irregularity, impropriety and non-compliance with terms and conditions of all funding, including for estates safety and management, under the funding agreement 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 Academy Trust Handbook 2022, including responsibilities for estates safety and management.

I confirm that I and the academy trust Board of Trustees 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 Academy Trust Handbook 2022.

I confirm that the following instances of material irregularity, impropriety or funding non-compliance discovered to date have been notified to the Board of Trustees and the ESFA. If any instances are identified after the date of this statement, these will be notified to the Board of Trustees and ESFA

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C Huscroft  
Accounting Officer

14 December 2023

## Edukos Trust

### Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

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

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under company law the Trustees must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:


- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2022 to 2023;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

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

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

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

Approved by order of the members of the Board of Trustees on 14 December 2023 and signed on its behalf by:

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N Greenfield  
Trustee



## Edukos Trust

### Independent Auditor's Report on the Financial Statements to the Members of Edukos Trust

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Edukos Trust (the 'Academy Trust') for the year ended 31 August 2023, which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 August 2023 (including Income and Expenditure Account), Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2023, Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended 31 August 2023, and Notes to the Financial Statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', the Charities SORP 2019 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2022 to 2023 issued by the Education and Skills Funding Agency.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Academy Trust's affairs as at 31 August 2023 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006, the Charities SORP 2019 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2022 to 2023 issued by the Education and Skills Funding Agency.

#### Basis for opinion

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

#### Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the Academy Trust's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the original financial statements were authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

#### Other information

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

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 course of 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 themselves. 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.

## **Edukos Trust**

### **Independent Auditor's Report on the Financial Statements to the Members of Edukos Trust (continued)**

#### **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 Strategic Report and Directors' report, prepared for the purposes of company law, for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Strategic Report and Directors' report included within the Trustees' Report have been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

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

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

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

- adequate accounting records have not been kept, or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of directors' remuneration specified by law are 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 Trustees' Responsibilities [set out on page 14], the Trustees (who are also directors of the Academy Trust for the purpose of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

#### **Auditor 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.

The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

- Discussions with management, including consideration of known or suspected instances of non-compliance held.
- Challenging assumptions and judgements made within significant accounting estimates and judgements such as depreciation and the local government pension scheme liability.
- Testing of income, bank, purchases and payroll, systems and controls and providing conclusions on the regularity of samples chosen.
- Identification of key laws and regulations central to the academies operations and review of compliance with such laws including a review of the Academy Trust Handbook 2022 and correspondence with solicitors to identify any on-going litigation.
- Testing of journal entries and potential override of systems.

Because of the inherent limitations of an audit, there is a risk that we will not detect all irregularities, including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulation. The risk increases the more that compliance with a law or regulation is removed from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, as we will be less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance. The risk is also greater regarding irregularities occurring due to fraud rather than error, as fraud involves intentional concealment, forgery collusion, omission or misrepresentation.

## Edukos Trust

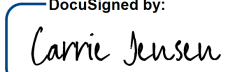
### Independent Auditor's Report on the Financial Statements to the Members of Edukos Trust (continued)

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: [www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities](http://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities). This description forms part of our auditor's report.

#### Use of report

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

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Carrie Anne Jensen ACA (Senior Statutory Auditor)

For and on behalf of Forrester Boyd, Statutory Auditor

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14 December 2023

## Edukos Trust

### Independent Reporting Accountant's Assurance Report on Regularity to Edukos Trust and the Education and Skills Funding Agency

In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 30 November 2023 and further to the requirements of the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) as included in the Academies Accounts Direction 2022 to 2023, we have carried out an engagement to obtain limited assurance about whether the expenditure disbursed and income received by Edukos Trust during the period 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023 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 Edukos Trust and the ESFA in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter. Our work has been undertaken so that we may state to Edukos Trust 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 Edukos Trust and the ESFA, for our work, for this report, or for the conclusion we have formed.

#### Respective responsibilities of the Edukos Trust's accounting officer and the reporting accountant

The Accounting Officer is responsible, under the requirements of the Edukos Trust's funding agreement with the Secretary of State for Education dated 30 August 2013 and the Academy Trust Handbook extant from 1 September 2022, 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 2022 to 2023. 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 from 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023 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 Framework and Guide for External Auditors and Reporting Accountant of Academy Trusts issued by ESFA. We performed a limited assurance engagement as defined in our engagement letter.

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

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

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

The work undertaken to draw to our conclusion includes:

- evaluating the systems and control environment
- assessing the risk of irregularity, impropriety and non-compliance
- confirming that the activities of the academy are in keeping with the Trust's framework and the charitable objectives; and
- obtaining representation from the Accounting Officer and Key Management Personnel

#### 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 from 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023 has not been applied to purposes intended by Parliament and the financial transactions do not conform to the authorities which govern them.

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Carrie Anne Jensen ACA (Reporting Accountant)  
 For and on behalf of Forrester Boyd, Chartered Accountants  
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 14 December 2023

## Edukos Trust

### Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (including Income and Expenditure Account)

Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted General Funds £	Restricted Fixed Asset Funds £	2022/23 Total £	2021/22 Total £
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>					
Voluntary income					
Donations and capital grants					
2	34,021	-	85,904	119,925	767,491
Transfer from local authority on conversion					
	261,943	(527,000)	7,452,042	7,186,985	-
4	78,003	1,842	-	79,845	75,070
5	5,794	-	-	5,794	352
<i>Charitable activities:</i>					
Funding for the Academy trust's educational operations					
3	208,259	5,154,667	-	5,362,926	4,453,787
<b>Total</b>					
	<u>588,020</u>	<u>4,629,509</u>	<u>7,537,946</u>	<u>12,755,475</u>	<u>5,296,700</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Raising funds					
6	12,484	-	-	12,484	21,636
<i>Charitable activities:</i>					
Academy trust educational operations					
7	432,290	5,212,541	326,145	5,970,976	5,342,334
<b>Total</b>					
	<u>444,774</u>	<u>5,212,541</u>	<u>326,145</u>	<u>5,983,460</u>	<u>5,363,970</u>
Net income/(expenditure)					
	143,246	(583,032)	7,211,801	6,772,015	(67,270)
Transfers between funds					
	-	(7,128)	7,128	-	-
<b>Other recognised gains and losses</b>					
Actuarial gains/(losses) on defined benefit pension schemes					
25	-	508,000	-	508,000	3,627,000
Net movement in funds/(deficit)					
	143,246	(82,160)	7,218,929	7,280,015	3,559,730
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
Total funds brought forward at 1 September 2022					
	-	102,030	8,351,963	8,453,993	4,894,263
Total funds carried forward at 31 August 2023					
	<u>143,246</u>	<u>19,870</u>	<u>15,570,892</u>	<u>15,734,008</u>	<u>8,453,993</u>

Comparative figures are stated on page 20.

## Edukos Trust

### Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 August 2022 (including Income and Expenditure Account)


	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted General Funds £	Restricted Fixed Asset Funds £	2021/22 Total £
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>					
Voluntary income					
Donations and capital grants	2	19,248	-	748,243	767,491
Other trading activities	4	73,903	1,167	-	75,070
Investments	5	352	-	-	352
<i>Charitable activities:</i>					
Funding for the Academy trust's educational operations	3	201,948	4,251,839	-	4,453,787
<b>Total</b>		<u>295,451</u>	<u>4,253,006</u>	<u>748,243</u>	<u>5,296,700</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>					
Raising funds	6	21,636	-	-	21,636
<i>Charitable activities:</i>					
Academy trust educational operations	7	366,326	4,755,825	220,183	5,342,334
<b>Total</b>		<u>387,962</u>	<u>4,755,825</u>	<u>220,183</u>	<u>5,363,970</u>
Net (expenditure)/income		(92,511)	(502,819)	528,060	(67,270)
Transfers between funds		7,486	(85,135)	77,649	-
<b>Other recognised gains and losses</b>					
Actuarial gains/(losses) on defined benefit pension schemes	25	-	3,627,000	-	3,627,000
Net movement in (deficit)/funds		(85,025)	3,039,046	605,709	3,559,730
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>					
Total funds/(deficit) brought forward at 1 September 2021		85,025	(2,937,016)	7,746,254	4,894,263
Total funds carried forward at 31 August 2022		<u>-</u>	<u>102,030</u>	<u>8,351,963</u>	<u>8,453,993</u>

## Edukos Trust

### (Registration number: 07679051) Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	12	15,379,416	7,600,133
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors	13	491,912	550,471
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>1,037,868</u>	<u>917,531</u>
		1,529,780	1,468,002
<b>Liabilities</b>			
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	14	<u>(728,903)</u>	<u>(330,560)</u>
Net current assets		<u>800,877</u>	<u>1,137,442</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		16,180,293	8,737,575
Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year	15	<u>(28,285)</u>	<u>(24,582)</u>
Net assets excluding pension liability		16,152,008	8,712,993
Defined benefit pension scheme liability	25	<u>(418,000)</u>	<u>(259,000)</u>
<b>Total net assets</b>		<b><u><u>15,734,008</u></u></b>	<b><u><u>8,453,993</u></u></b>
<b>Funds of the Academy:</b>			
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Restricted general fund	16	437,870	361,030
Restricted fixed asset fund	16	15,570,892	8,351,963
Pension reserve	16	<u>(418,000)</u>	<u>(259,000)</u>
		15,590,762	8,453,993
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
Unrestricted general fund	16	<u>143,246</u>	<u>-</u>
<b>Total funds</b>		<b><u><u>15,734,008</u></u></b>	<b><u><u>8,453,993</u></u></b>

The financial statements on pages 19 to 45 were approved by the Trustees, and authorised for issue on 14 December 2023 and signed on their behalf by:

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 Trustee

## Edukos Trust

### Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended 31 August 2023

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	19	614,185	(494,967)
Cash flows from investing activities	21	(498,651)	605,617
Cash flows from financing activities	20	4,803	27,983
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year		120,337	138,633
Cash and cash equivalents at 1 September		917,531	778,898
Cash and cash equivalents at 31 August	22	1,037,868	917,531



## Edukos Trust

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2023

#### 1 Accounting policies

##### General information

The academy trust is a private company limited by guarantee and incorporated in the United Kingdom.

The address of its registered office is:

Edukos Trust  
c/o Swanland Primary School  
Tranby Lane  
Swanland  
East Riding of Yorkshire  
HU14 3NE

These financial statements were authorised for issue by the Board on 14 December 2023.

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

##### Basis of preparation

The financial statements of the academy trust, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared under the historical cost convention in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard Applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (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 2022 to 2023 issued by ESFA, the Charities Act 2011 and the Companies Act 2006.

Edukos Trust meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional currency of the company and have been rounded to the nearest pound.

The financial statements cover the individual entity, Edukos Trust, made up of Swanland Primary School, Dunswell Primary School, Airymn Park Primary School, Hook Church of England Primary School and Beverley St Nicholas Primary School.

##### Going concern

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

##### Income

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

## Edukos Trust

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

#### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

##### *Grants*

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

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

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

##### *Donations*

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

##### *Other income*

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

##### *Transfer on conversion*

Where assets and liabilities are received by the academy trust on conversion to an academy, the transferred assets are measured at fair value and recognised in the balance sheet at the point when the risks and rewards of ownership pass to the academy trust. An equal amount of income is recognised as transfer on conversion within donations and capital grant income to the net assets received.

##### **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.

All resources expended are inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

##### *Expenditure on raising funds*

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

##### *Charitable activities*

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

## Edukos Trust

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

#### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

##### Tangible fixed assets

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

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

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets other than freehold land and assets under construction, at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset on a straight-line basis over its expected useful lives, per the table below.

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

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.

<b>Asset class</b>	<b>Depreciation method and rate</b>
Leasehold buildings	50 years straight line
Leasehold land	125 years straight line
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	4 years straight line
ICT equipment	4 years straight line

##### Liabilities

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably. Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the academy trust anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

##### Leased assets

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

Long term leasehold land:

The land is held on a 125 year lease with East Riding of Yorkshire Council. It was recognised as an asset on conversion and is being depreciated accordingly.

## Edukos Trust

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

#### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

##### 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 cost. 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 transaction price. Taxation and social security are not included in the financial instruments disclosure definition. Deferred income is not deemed to be a financial liability, as the cash settlement has already taken place and there is an obligation to deliver services rather than cash or another financial instrument.

##### 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.

##### Pension benefits

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

The TPS is an unfunded scheme and contributions are calculated so as to spread the cost of pensions over employees' working lives with the academy trust in such a way that the pension cost is a substantially level percentage of current and future pensionable payroll. The contributions are determined by the Government Actuary based on of quadrennial valuations using a prospective unit credit method. TPS is an unfunded multi-employer scheme with no underlying assets to assign between employers. Consequently, the TPS is treated as a defined contribution scheme for accounting purposes and the contributions recognised in the period to which they relate.

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

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

##### Fund accounting

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

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

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

## Edukos Trust

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

#### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

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

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

##### Critical accounting estimates and assumptions

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

The present value of the Local Government Pension Scheme defined benefit liability depends on a number of factors that are determined on an actuarial basis using a variety of assumptions. The assumptions used in determining the net cost (income) for pensions include the discount rate. Any changes in these assumptions, which are disclosed in note 25, will impact the carrying amount of the pension liability. Furthermore a roll forward approach which projects results from the latest full actuarial valuation performed at 31 March 2019 has been used by the actuary in valuing the pensions liability at 31 August 2023. 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.

#### 2 Donations and capital grants

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted General Funds £	Restricted Fixed Asset Funds £	2022/23 Total £	2021/22 Total £
<b>Other voluntary income</b>					
Capital grants	-	-	85,904	85,904	748,243
Other donations	34,021	-	-	34,021	19,248
Transfer from local authority on conversion	<u>261,943</u>	<u>(527,000)</u>	<u>7,452,042</u>	<u>7,186,985</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>295,964</u>	<u>(527,000)</u>	<u>7,537,946</u>	<u>7,306,910</u>	<u>767,491</u>

## Edukos Trust

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

#### 3 Funding for Academy's educational operations

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted General Funds £	2022/23 Total £	2021/22 Total £
<b>Educational operations</b>				
<b>DfE/ESFA revenue grants</b>				
General Annual Grant	-	4,121,489	4,121,489	3,575,390
Pupil Premium Funding	-	123,740	123,740	108,933
Free School Meals	-	173,735	173,735	126,506
Other ESFA income	-	398,203	398,203	141,480
	<u>-</u>	<u>4,817,167</u>	<u>4,817,167</u>	<u>3,952,309</u>
<b>Other government grants</b>				
Local Authority Funding	-	337,500	337,500	288,560
<b>Non-government grants and other income</b>				
Catering income	107,694	-	107,694	101,677
School trips and visits	100,565	-	100,565	100,271
	<u>208,259</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>208,259</u>	<u>201,948</u>
<b>Covid-19 additional funding (DfE/ESFA)</b>				
Covid Recovery Premium	-	-	-	10,970
Total grants	<u>208,259</u>	<u>5,154,667</u>	<u>5,362,926</u>	<u>4,453,787</u>

#### 4 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted General Funds £	2022/23 Total £	2021/22 Total £
Hire of facilities	8,486	-	8,486	7,968
Catering income	2,949	-	2,949	1,521
School shop sales	1,701	-	1,701	-
Recharges and reimbursements	-	1,842	1,842	1,167
Other income	64,867	-	64,867	64,414
	<u>78,003</u>	<u>1,842</u>	<u>79,845</u>	<u>75,070</u>

#### 5 Investment income

	Unrestricted Funds £	2022/23 Total £	2021/22 Total £
Short term deposits	<u>5,794</u>	<u>5,794</u>	<u>352</u>

## Edukos Trust

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

#### 6 Resources expended

	Non Pay Expenditure			2022/23	2021/22
	Staff costs	Premises	Other costs	Total	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Expenditure on raising funds</b>					
Direct costs	-	-	12,484	12,484	21,636
<b>Academy's educational operations</b>					
Direct costs	3,845,988	-	274,331	4,120,319	3,466,095
Allocated support costs	<u>760,257</u>	<u>645,300</u>	<u>445,100</u>	<u>1,850,657</u>	<u>1,876,239</u>
	<u>4,606,245</u>	<u>645,300</u>	<u>731,915</u>	<u>5,983,460</u>	<u>5,363,970</u>
<b>Net income/(expenditure) for the year includes:</b>				<b>2022/23</b>	<b>2021/22</b>
				<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Fees payable to auditor - audit				10,000	9,000
Fees payable to auditor - other services				1,460	1,480
Profit/(loss) on disposal of tangible fixed assets				-	(36)
Depreciation				263,108	202,738
Operating leases				<u>13,549</u>	<u>17,466</u>

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#### 7 Charitable activities

	2022/23	2021/22
	£	£
Direct costs - educational operations	4,120,319	3,466,095
Support costs - educational operations	1,850,657	1,876,239
	5,970,976	5,342,334
	5,970,976	5,342,334
	<b>Educational</b>	<b>2022/23</b>
	<b>operations</b>	<b>Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
		<b>2021/22</b>
		<b>Total</b>
		<b>£</b>
<b>Analysis of support costs</b>		
Support staff costs	760,257	1,039,297
Depreciation	263,108	202,738
Technology costs	88,446	68,658
Premises costs	382,192	261,147
Other support costs	344,954	294,292
Governance costs	11,700	10,107
Total support costs	1,850,657	1,876,239

#### 8 Staff

##### Staff costs

	2022/23	2021/22
	£	£
<b>Staff costs during the year were:</b>		
Wages and salaries	3,379,513	2,874,202
Social security costs	262,495	223,350
Pension costs	813,340	1,104,782
	4,455,348	4,202,334
Supply teacher costs	150,897	78,079
	4,606,245	4,280,413



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#### 8 Staff (continued)

##### Staff numbers

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

	2022/23	2021/22
	No	No
Teachers	45	39
Administration and support	171	130
Management	19	9
	235	178
	235	178

##### Higher paid staff

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

	2022/23	2021/22
	No	No
£60,001 - £70,000	1	-
£90,001 - £100,000	-	1
£100,001 - £110,000	1	-
	1	-
	1	-

##### Key management personnel

The key management personnel of the academy trust comprise the trustees and the senior management team as listed on page 1. The total amount of key management personnel benefits (including employer pension contributions and employer national insurance contributions) received by key management personnel for their services to the academy trust was £496,863 (2022: £477,661).

#### 9 Central services

The academy trust charges for these services on the following basis:

Top slice based on income.

The actual amounts charged during the year were as follows:

	2022/23
	£
Airmyn	31,506
Dunswell	27,937
Hook	59,049
Swanland	119,484
Beverley	29,921
	267,897
	267,897

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#### 10 Related party transactions - trustees' remuneration and expenses

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

C Huscroft (CEO):

Remuneration: £100,000 - £105,000 (2022 - £90,000 - £95,000)

Employer's pension contributions: £20,000 - £25,000 (2022 - £20,000 - £25,000)

Other related party transactions involving the trustees are set out in note 26.

#### 11 Trustees' and officers' insurance

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

#### 12 Tangible fixed assets

	Long leasehold land and buildings £	Furniture and equipment £	Computer equipment £	2022/23 Total £
<b>Cost</b>				
At 1 September 2022	8,667,890	68,972	124,046	8,860,908
Additions	549,738	36,324	4,287	590,349
Transfers	7,452,042	-	-	7,452,042
At 31 August 2023	<u>16,669,670</u>	<u>105,296</u>	<u>128,333</u>	<u>16,903,299</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>				
At 1 September 2022	1,118,332	52,852	89,591	1,260,775
Charge for the year	235,737	11,625	15,746	263,108
At 31 August 2023	<u>1,354,069</u>	<u>64,477</u>	<u>105,337</u>	<u>1,523,883</u>
<b>Net book value</b>				
At 31 August 2023	<u><u>15,315,601</u></u>	<u><u>40,819</u></u>	<u><u>22,996</u></u>	<u><u>15,379,416</u></u>
At 31 August 2022	<u><u>7,549,558</u></u>	<u><u>16,120</u></u>	<u><u>34,455</u></u>	<u><u>7,600,133</u></u>

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

#### 13 Debtors

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade debtors	1,850	2,661
Prepayments	37,822	40,574
Accrued grant and other income	348,833	476,898
VAT recoverable	103,008	30,025
Other debtors	399	313
	491,912	550,471

#### 14 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023	2022
	£	£
Trade creditors	168,272	71,968
Other taxation and social security	72,489	45,482
Loan	4,501	3,401
Pension scheme creditor	92,457	64,222
Accruals	318,005	143,931
Deferred income	73,179	1,556
	728,903	330,560

The concessionary loans are from Salix and CIF which are provided on the following terms:

The interest free Salix loan will be repaid on a straight line basis over eight years out of the annual savings made by the new roof.

The CIF loan provided by the DfE will be repaid on a straight line basis over 8 years out of the annual savings made by the new roof. Interest of 1.92% will be charged.

The CIF loan provided by the DfE for fire safety improvements will be repaid on a straight line basis over 10 years. Interest of 1.95% will be charged.

	2023	2022
	£	£
<b>Deferred income</b>		
Deferred income at 1 September 2022	1,556	57,014
Resources deferred in the period	73,179	1,556
Amounts released from previous periods	(1,556)	(57,014)
Deferred income at 31 August 2023	73,179	1,556

At the balance sheet date the Academy Trust was holding funds received in advance, this included start up grant funding, pupil premium, school meals and school trips.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

#### 15 Creditors: amounts falling due in greater than one year

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Concessionary loans	<u>28,285</u>	<u>24,582</u>

Included within long term creditors are concessionary loans of £28,285 (2022: £24,582) from Salix and CIF which are provided on the following terms:

The interest free Salix loan will be repaid on a straight line basis over eight years out of the annual savings made by the new roof.

The CIF loan provided by the DfE will be repaid on a straight line basis over 8 years out of the annual savings made by the new roof. Interest of 1.92% will be charged.

The CIF loan provided by the DfE for fire safety improvements will be repaid on a straight line basis over 10 years. Interest of 1.95% will be charged.

The amount repayable by instalments which falls due after more than five years is £10,406 (2022: £10,518).

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

#### 16 Funds

	Balance at 1 September 2022 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains, losses and transfers £	Balance at 31 August 2023 £
<b>Restricted funds</b>					
<i>Restricted general funds</i>					
General Annual Grant (GAG)	361,030	4,121,489	(4,037,521)	(7,128)	437,870
Pupil Premium	-	123,740	(123,740)	-	-
Free School Meals	-	173,735	(173,735)	-	-
Local Authority Funding	-	337,500	(337,500)	-	-
Other ESFA grants	-	398,203	(398,203)	-	-
Other income	-	1,842	(1,842)	-	-
Total restricted general funds	<u>361,030</u>	<u>5,156,509</u>	<u>(5,072,541)</u>	<u>(7,128)</u>	<u>437,870</u>
<i>Restricted fixed asset funds</i>					
DfE/ESFA Capital Grants	929,702	85,904	(326,145)	-	689,461
Transfer on Conversion	7,212,616	7,452,042	-	-	14,664,658
Transfer from Other Funds	209,645	-	-	7,128	216,773
Total restricted fixed asset funds	<u>8,351,963</u>	<u>7,537,946</u>	<u>(326,145)</u>	<u>7,128</u>	<u>15,570,892</u>
<i>Pension reserve funds</i>					
Pension Reserve	<u>(259,000)</u>	<u>(527,000)</u>	<u>(140,000)</u>	<u>508,000</u>	<u>(418,000)</u>
Total restricted funds	<u>8,453,993</u>	<u>12,167,455</u>	<u>(5,538,686)</u>	<u>508,000</u>	<u>15,590,762</u>
<i>Unrestricted general funds</i>					
Unrestricted funds	<u>-</u>	<u>588,020</u>	<u>(444,774)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>143,246</u>
Total unrestricted funds	<u>-</u>	<u>588,020</u>	<u>(444,774)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>143,246</u>
Total funds	<u><u>8,453,993</u></u>	<u><u>12,755,475</u></u>	<u><u>(5,983,460)</u></u>	<u><u>508,000</u></u>	<u><u>15,734,008</u></u>

## Edukos Trust

### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

#### 16 Funds (continued)

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

	Balance at 1 September 2021 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains, losses and transfers £	Balance at 31 August 2022 £
<b>Restricted funds</b>					
<i>Restricted general funds</i>					
General Annual Grant (GAG)	384,984	3,575,390	(3,514,209)	(85,135)	361,030
Pupil Premium	-	108,933	(108,933)	-	-
Free School Meals	-	126,506	(126,506)	-	-
Local Authority Funding	-	288,560	(288,560)	-	-
Other ESFA grants	-	141,480	(141,480)	-	-
Other income	-	1,167	(1,167)	-	-
Covid Recovery Premium	-	10,970	(10,970)	-	-
Total restricted general funds	<u>384,984</u>	<u>4,253,006</u>	<u>(4,191,825)</u>	<u>(85,135)</u>	<u>361,030</u>
<i>Restricted fixed asset funds</i>					
DfE/ESFA Capital Grants	260,544	748,243	(79,085)	-	929,702
Transfer on Conversion	7,345,124	-	(132,508)	-	7,212,616
Transfer from Other Funds	140,586	-	(8,590)	77,649	209,645
Total restricted fixed asset funds	<u>7,746,254</u>	<u>748,243</u>	<u>(220,183)</u>	<u>77,649</u>	<u>8,351,963</u>
<i>Pension reserve funds</i>					
Pension Reserve	<u>(3,322,000)</u>	-	<u>(564,000)</u>	<u>3,627,000</u>	<u>(259,000)</u>
Total restricted funds	<u>4,809,238</u>	<u>5,001,249</u>	<u>(4,976,008)</u>	<u>3,619,514</u>	<u>8,453,993</u>
<i>Unrestricted general funds</i>					
Unrestricted funds	<u>85,025</u>	<u>295,451</u>	<u>(387,962)</u>	<u>7,486</u>	<u>-</u>
Total unrestricted funds	<u>85,025</u>	<u>295,451</u>	<u>(387,962)</u>	<u>7,486</u>	<u>-</u>
Total funds	<u><u>4,894,263</u></u>	<u><u>5,296,700</u></u>	<u><u>(5,363,970)</u></u>	<u><u>3,627,000</u></u>	<u><u>8,453,993</u></u>

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

#### 16 Funds (continued)

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.

Pupil Premium Funding must be spent for the educational benefit of pupils registered at that school, or for the benefit of pupils registered at other schools; and on community facilities i.e. services whose provision furthers any charitable purpose for the benefit of pupils at the school or their families, or people who live or work in the locality in which the school is situated. The grant does not have to be fully spent by the academy in the financial year.

Universal Infants Free School Meal funding is primarily to be used to provide children with a free school meal. However, any amounts not spent on this purpose can be used for any other purpose applicable to the objectives of the academy.

Devolved capital is allocated directly by the DfE and must be spent on capital purposes.

Capital expenditure from other funds is made up of any fixed assets purchased during the year and the expense is the depreciation relating to these additions.

The donated assets income is the value of the land and buildings transferred from the Local Authority on conversion.

The academy trust is not subject to GAG carried forward limits.

#### Total funds analysis by academy

Fund balances at 31 August 2023 were allocated as follows:

	2023	2022
	£	£
Airmyn	82,642	67,986
Beverley	183,111	-
Dunswell	58,202	64,231
Hook	227,015	212,799
Swanland	93,132	119,005
Central services	<u>(62,986)</u>	<u>(102,991)</u>
Total before fixed assets and pension reserve	581,116	361,030
Restricted fixed asset fund	15,570,892	8,351,963
Pension reserve	<u>(418,000)</u>	<u>(259,000)</u>
Total	<u>15,734,008</u>	<u>8,453,993</u>

As part of the Trustees' strategic plan to support the conversion of new schools into the Trust, the deficit incurred under central services will be reduced by the addition of new schools.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

#### 16 Funds (continued)

##### Analysis of academies by cost

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

	<b>Teaching and Educational Support Staff Costs</b>	<b>Other Support Staff Costs</b>	<b>Educational Supplies</b>	<b>Other Costs (excluding Depreciation)</b>	<b>Total 2023</b>	<b>Total 2022</b>
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Airmyn	489,431	46,754	16,180	118,821	671,186	604,272
Beverley	421,063	63,440	11,213	89,503	585,219	-
Dunswell	391,183	40,836	8,780	123,292	564,091	496,724
Hook	785,358	151,487	20,340	167,154	1,124,339	1,099,203
Swanland	1,767,241	332,790	29,384	365,694	2,495,109	2,328,717
Central services	-	-	-	139,473	139,473	68,316
Academy Trust	<u>3,854,276</u>	<u>635,307</u>	<u>85,897</u>	<u>1,003,937</u>	<u>5,579,417</u>	<u>4,597,232</u>

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

	<b>Teaching and educational support staff costs</b>	<b>Other support staff costs</b>	<b>Educational supplies</b>	<b>Other costs (excluding depreciation)</b>	<b>Total 2022</b>
	£	£	£	£	£
Airmyn	426,293	58,820	12,326	106,833	604,272
Dunswell	387,279	35,251	8,266	65,928	496,724
Hook	784,499	132,741	17,802	164,161	1,099,203
Swanland	1,643,046	308,485	38,174	339,012	2,328,717
Central services	-	-	-	68,316	68,316
Academy Trust	<u>3,241,117</u>	<u>535,297</u>	<u>76,568</u>	<u>744,250</u>	<u>4,597,232</u>

#### 17 Analysis of net assets between funds

Fund balances at 31 August 2023 are represented by:

	<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>	<b>Restricted General Funds</b>	<b>Restricted Fixed Asset Funds</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	15,379,416	15,379,416
Current assets	143,246	1,162,272	224,262	1,529,780
Current liabilities	-	(724,402)	(4,501)	(728,903)
Creditors over 1 year	-	-	(28,285)	(28,285)
Pension scheme liability	-	(418,000)	-	(418,000)
Total net assets	<u>143,246</u>	<u>19,870</u>	<u>15,570,892</u>	<u>15,734,008</u>



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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

#### 17 Analysis of net assets between funds (continued)

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

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted General Funds £	Restricted Fixed Asset Funds £	Total Funds £
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	7,600,133	7,600,133
Current assets	-	688,189	779,813	1,468,002
Current liabilities	-	(327,159)	(3,401)	(330,560)
Creditors over 1 year	-	-	(24,582)	(24,582)
Pension scheme liability	-	(259,000)	-	(259,000)
	-	102,030	8,351,963	8,453,993
Total net assets	-	102,030	8,351,963	8,453,993

#### 18 Financial commitments

##### *Operating leases*

At 31 August 2023 the total of the Academy Trust trust's future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases was:

	2023 £	2022 £
Amounts due within one year	8,785	12,911
Amounts due between one and five years	6,303	11,896
	15,088	24,807
	15,088	24,807

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

#### 19 Reconciliation of net income/(expenditure) to net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities

	2023	2022
	£	£
Net income/(expenditure)	6,772,015	(67,270)
Depreciation	263,108	202,738
Capital grants from DfE and other capital income	(85,904)	(748,243)
Interest receivable	(5,794)	(352)
Defined benefit pension scheme obligation inherited	527,000	-
Defined benefit pension scheme cost less contributions payable	117,000	504,000
Defined benefit pension scheme finance cost	23,000	60,000
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	58,559	(391,780)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	397,243	(54,096)
Loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets	-	36
Fixed assets transferred on conversion	(7,452,042)	-
Net cash provided by/(used in) Operating Activities	614,185	(494,967)

#### 20 Cash flows from financing activities

	2023	2022
	£	£
Repayments of borrowing	(3,997)	(534)
Cash inflows from new borrowing	8,800	28,517
Net cash provided by financing activities	4,803	27,983

#### 21 Cash flows from investing activities

	2022/23	2021/22
	£	£
Dividends, interest and rents from investments	5,794	352
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(590,349)	(142,978)
Capital grants from DfE Group	85,904	748,243
Net cash (used in)/provided by investing activities	(498,651)	605,617

#### 22 Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2023	2022
	£	£
Cash in hand and at bank	1,037,868	917,531
Total cash and cash equivalents	1,037,868	917,531

#### 23 Member liability

Each member of the charitable company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company in the event of it being wound up while 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 cease to be a member.

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

#### 24 Conversion to an academy trust

On 1 May 2023 the Beverley St Nicholas Community Primary School converted to academy status under the Academies Act 2010 and all the operations and assets and liabilities were transferred to Edukos Trust from the East Riding Yorkshire Council Local Authority for £Nil consideration.

The transfer has been accounted for as a combination that is in substance a gift. The assets and liabilities transferred were valued at their fair value and recognised in the balance sheet under the appropriate headings with a corresponding net amount recognised as net incoming resources in the Statement of Financial Activities as Donations - transfer from local authority on conversion.

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

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted general fund £	Restricted fixed asset fund £	Total £
Tangible fixed assets				
Leasehold land and buildings	-	-	7,452,042	7,452,042
Budget surplus on LA funds	254,651	-	-	254,651
Budget surplus on other school funds	7,292	-	-	7,292
LGPS pension deficit	-	(527,000)	-	(527,000)
Net assets/(liabilities)	<u>261,943</u>	<u>(527,000)</u>	<u>7,452,042</u>	<u>7,186,985</u>

The above net assets include £7,292 that were transferred as cash.

#### 25 Pension and similar obligations

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

The latest actuarial valuation of the TPS related to the period ended 31 March 2020 and of the LGPS 31 March 2019.

Contributions amounting to £92,457 (2022 - £64,222) were payable to the schemes at 31 August and are included within creditors.

#### Teachers' Pension Scheme

##### Introduction

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

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

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

#### 25 Pension and similar obligations (continued)

##### Valuation of the Teachers' Pension Scheme

The Government Actuary, using normal actuarial principles, conducts a formal actuarial review of the TPS in accordance with the Public Service Pensions (Valuations and Employer Cost Cap) Directions 2014 published by HM Treasury every 4 years. The aim of the review is to specify the level of future contributions. Actuarial scheme valuations are dependent on assumptions about the value of future costs, design of benefits and many other factors. The latest actuarial valuation of the TPS was carried out as at 31 March 2016. The valuation report was published by the Department for Education on 30 October 2023. The key elements of the valuation and subsequent consultation are:

- employer contribution rates set at 28.68% of pensionable pay (including a 0.08% administration levy)
- total scheme liabilities (pensions currently in payment and the estimated cost of future benefits) for service to the effective date of £262,000 million, and notional assets (estimated future contributions together with the notional investments held at the valuation date) of £222,200 million giving a notional past service deficit of £39,800 million
- the SCAPE discount rate, set by HMT, is used to determine the notional investment return. The current SCAPE rate is 1.7% above the rate of CPI, and is based on the Office for Budget Responsibility's forecast for long-term GDP growth.

The next valuation result is due to be implemented from 1 April 2027.

The employer's pension costs paid to TPS in the period amounted to £412,159 (2022: £361,664).

A copy of the valuation report and supporting documentation is on the Teachers' Pensions website.

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

##### Local government pension scheme

The LGPS is a funded defined-benefit scheme, with the assets held in separate trustee-administered funds. The total contribution made for the year ended 31 August 2023 was £294,000 (2022 - £307,000), of which employer's contributions totalled £208,000 (2022 - £234,000) and employees' contributions totalled £86,000 (2022 - £73,000). The agreed contribution rates for future years are 16.7%, 18.2%, 18.7% & 19.2% for employers and 5.5% - 9.9% per cent for employees.

Parliament has agreed, at the request of the Secretary of State for Education, to a guarantee that, in the event of an academy trust closure, outstanding Local Government Pension Scheme liabilities would be met by the Department for Education. The guarantee came into force on 18 July 2013 and on 21 July 2022, the Department for Education reaffirmed its commitment to the guarantee, with a parliamentary minute published on GOV.UK.

##### Principal actuarial assumptions

	2023	2022
	%	%
Rate of increase in salaries	3.00	4.00
Rate of increase for pensions in payment/inflation	3.00	3.10
Discount rate for scheme liabilities	5.20	4.30

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

	2023	2022
<b>Retiring today</b>		
Males retiring today	21.10	20.80
Females retiring today	24.00	23.50
<b>Retiring in 20 years</b>		
Males retiring in 20 years	21.90	22.00
Females retiring in 20 years	25.50	25.30

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#### 25 Pension and similar obligations (continued)

##### Sensitivity analysis

	<b>At 31 August 2023</b>	<b>At 31 August 2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
0.1% decrease in Real Discount Rate	127,000	108,000
0.1% increase in the Salary Increase Rate	14,000	11,000
Mortality assumption – 1 year increase	214,000	167,000
0.1% increase in the Pension Increase Rate	116,000	98,000

The academy trust's share of the assets in the scheme were:

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Equities	3,746,160	2,935,500
Other bonds	884,510	547,960
Property	468,270	391,400
Cash and other liquid assets	104,060	39,140
Total market value of assets	5,203,000	3,914,000

The actual return on scheme assets was (£23,000) (2022 - (£59,000)).

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### Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

#### 25 Pension and similar obligations (continued)

##### Amounts recognised in the statement of financial activities

	2023 £	2022 £
Current service cost	117,000	504,000
Interest income	(184,000)	(63,000)
Interest cost	207,000	123,000
	<u>140,000</u>	<u>564,000</u>
Total amount recognised in the SOFA	<u>140,000</u>	<u>564,000</u>

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

	2022/23 £	2021/22 £
At start of period	4,173,000	7,013,000
Conversion of academy trusts	1,283,000	-
Current service cost	396,000	738,000
Interest cost	207,000	123,000
Employee contributions	86,000	73,000
Actuarial (gain)/loss	(758,000)	(3,749,000)
Benefits paid	(33,000)	(25,000)
	<u>5,354,000</u>	<u>4,173,000</u>
At 31 August	<u>5,354,000</u>	<u>4,173,000</u>

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

	2022/23 £	2021/22 £
At start of period	3,914,000	3,691,000
Conversion of academy trusts	756,000	-
Interest income	184,000	63,000
Actuarial gain/(loss)	17,000	(122,000)
Employer contributions	279,000	234,000
Employee contributions	86,000	73,000
Benefits paid	(33,000)	(25,000)
Asset ceiling restriction	(267,000)	-
	<u>4,936,000</u>	<u>3,914,000</u>
At 31 August	<u>4,936,000</u>	<u>3,914,000</u>

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### **Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year Ended 31 August 2023 (continued)**

#### **26 Related party transactions**

Owing to the nature of the academy trust and the composition of the board of Trustees being drawn from local public and private sector organisations, transactions may take place with organisations in which the trustees have an interest. The following related party transactions took place in the financial period.

#### **Expenditure related party transactions**

During the year the academy made the following related party transactions:

#### **Hull Collaborative Academy Trust**

(C Huscroft is Chair of Trustees)

During the year ended 31 August 2023, Edukos Trust paid Hull Collaborative Academy Trust £20,900 for recharges relating to consultancy.

The element above £2,500 has been provided 'at no more than cost' and Hull Collaborative Academy Trust has provided a statement of assurance confirming this.

At the balance sheet date the amount due to Hull Collaborative Academy Trust was £Nil (2022 - £Nil).

#### **The One Point**

(N Greenfield is a Director)

During the year ended 31 August 2023, Edukos Trust paid The One Point £8,349 for IT support services. It should be noted that this contract was entered into prior to N Greenfield becoming key management at The One Point.

All transactions involving such organisations are conducted in accordance with the requirements of the Academy Trust Handbook, including notifying ESFA of all transactions made on or after 1 April 2019 and obtaining their approval where required, and with the academy trust's financial regulations and normal procurement procedures relating to connected and related party transactions.