
LENT RISE SCHOOL
(A Company Limited by Guarantee)

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Members:	Ms Gillian Bonette-Wade (from 1/11/2015) Dr Andrew Gillespie (from 1/11/2015) Mrs Cate Beaton (from 8/6/2021) Mr Anthony Bremner (from 5/12/2024) Mrs Gemma Kirkham (from 28/11/2019)
Trustees:	Miss Sarah Boxall Rev Victoria Davidson Mrs Kirsty Foley (term ended 30/06/2025) Mr Atif Khan Mrs Gemma Kirkham (Vice-Chair) Ms Pauline Muldoon Mrs Kavita Sharma Mr Tim Steel Mrs Jill Watson Mrs Lindsay Wright Mrs Maggie Young (Chair) Mrs T Vaidya (Resigned 13/10/2024) Mrs Uzma Zeeshan (Appointed by the parent body 15/11/2024; coopted by trustees 8/5/2025) Mr A Tamimi (Coopted by trustee 8/5/2025, Resigned 18/7/2025) Mr Richard Flemming (Appointed by the parent body 8/5/2025) Mr Shiv Gulati (Appointed by the parent body 8/5/2025, Resigned 25/8/2025)
Company Secretary:	Amanda Parker ended 1 st July 2025 Louise O'Dwyer Barnard from 2 nd July 2025
Senior Management Team:	Jill Watson, CAO / Headteacher Amanda Parker, CFO to 2 nd July 2025 Sahila Qureshi, CFO from 3 rd July 2025 Rachael Small, Deputy Headteacher Sarah Boxall, Assistant Headteacher Hayley Johns, Assistant Headteacher
Company Name:	Lent Rise School
Principal and Registered Office:	Lent Rise School, Coulson Way, Burnham, Slough, SL1 7NP
Company Registration Number:	09801986
Independent Auditor:	Reckoner Audit Limited, Jubilee House, Globe Park, Third Avenue, Marlow, SL7 1EY
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TRUSTEES' REPORT
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The trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements and auditor's report of the charitable company for the year to 31 August 2025. The annual report serves the purposes of both a trustees' report, and a directors' report under company law.

The academy trust operates an academy for pupils aged 3 to 11 serving a catchment area in Lent Rise, Burnham. It has a pupil capacity of 420 and had a roll of 446 in school census on Autumn 2024

Structure, governance and management

Constitution

The academy trust is a company limited by guarantee and an exempt charity. The charitable company's memorandum and articles of association are the primary governing documents of the academy trust. The trustees of Lent Rise School are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law. The charitable company operates as Lent Rise School.

Details of the trustees who served during the year, and to the date these accounts are approved and included in the Reference and Administrative Details on the preceding pages of this document.

Members' liability

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

Trustees' indemnities

Subject to the provisions of the Companies Act 2006, every trustee or other officer of the academy shall be indemnified out of the assets of the academy against any liability incurred by them in that capacity in defending any proceedings, whether civil or criminal, in which judgment is given in favour or in which they are acquitted or in connection with any application in which relief is granted to them by the court from liability for negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust in relation to the affairs of the academy.

Method of recruitment and appointment or election of trustees

The management of the academy is the responsibility of the trustees who are elected and co-opted under the terms of the Articles of Association and funding agreement as follows:

- Up to 9 trustees appointed under Article 50
- A Minimum of 2 parent governors elected or appointed under Articles 53-56B
- Any governors appointed by the Secretary of State for Education
- If appointed in accordance with Article 57, the principal (Headteacher)

The term of office for any trustee is 4 years. The headteacher's term of office runs parallel with their term of appointment. Subject to remaining eligible to be a particular type of trustee, any trustee may be reappointed or re-elected.

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees

The training and induction provided for new trustees will depend on their individual experience and expertise. Where necessary an induction will provide training on charity and educational, legal and financial matters. All new trustees are given a tour of the academy and the chance to meet with staff and students. All governors are provided with copies of policies, procedures, minutes, budgets, plans and other documents that they will need to understand their role as trustees and directors of the academy.

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Structure, governance and management (continued)

Organisational structure

The academy has established a management structure to enable its efficient running. The structure consists of two levels: the trustees and the executives who are the senior leadership team.

The governing body has considered its role thoughtfully and decided that the role of the trustees is to approve the strategic direction and objectives of the academy and monitor its progress towards these objectives.

The governing body has approved a scheme of delegation which sets out a statement on the system of internal control, responsibilities, standing orders, a scheme of delegation and terms of reference. The headteacher is directly responsible for the day to day running of the academy and is assisted by a senior leadership team.

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

The headteacher assumes the accounting officer role.

The Board of Trustees meet at the beginning of every school year for a strategy meeting and then at least once termly to receive reports from its sub-committees and manage its strategic objectives.

The Board of Trustees has 3 main sub-committees:

1. Finance, Personnel (which include Health and Safety) – which meets twice per term to consider the annual budget, management accounts and other financial, personnel and Health and Safety issues.
2. Pupils Standards and Curriculum committee – which meets at least once per term to consider curriculum issues.
3. Audit Committee - which meets on average three times a year to review audit outcomes.

The Board of Trustees has 2 other sub-committees and a working party which meet on an ad-hoc basis.

1. Admissions Committee
2. Pay Review Committee

All other committee are formed as required.

Arrangements for setting pay and remuneration of key management personnel

The Board has delegated the arrangement for setting the pay and remuneration for executive directors and senior management to the remuneration and nominations committee whose members comprise three trustees and the Chair of the Trust. This committee reviews the performance of the executive directors and ensures that succession planning is in line with the plans of the Trust.

This committee also sets the band of annual pay increases for all staff as guidelines for each of the academies pay committees. The Trust scheme of delegation sets out the responsibility for pay increases for all staff to the principal and the pay committee.

Trade union facility time

No time spent.

Related parties and other connected charities and organisations

The academy is the founding member of the Lent Rise School Academy Trust which is a separate Trust where Lent Rise School Academy is the only member. The Trust undertakes educational support activities.

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Objectives and activities

Objects and aims

The principal object and activity of the academy is the operation of Lent Rise School to provide a broad and balanced education for pupils of all abilities in the Lent Rise, Burnham area. The governors have referred to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission in respect of public benefit when reviewing the aims and objectives of the academy.

In accordance with the articles of association, the academy has adopted a "Scheme of Government" approved by the Secretary of State for Education.

The Scheme of Government specifies, amongst other things, that the Trust will be at the heart of the community promoting community cohesion and sharing facilities; the basis for admitting students to the Trust, that the curriculum should be broad and balanced; there will be an emphasis on the needs of individual pupils including pupils with SEN; the basis for charging pupils.

Objectives, strategies and activities

The Members and Trustees set out to run the business in accordance with the highest standards of integrity, probity and openness.

The Members and Trustees set out to ensure that financial resources are maximised so that educational resources are available to raise standards of pupil achievement.

In January 2025 the Academy was awarded a Centre of Excellence for Inclusion, demonstrating further growth since the Ofsted 'Good' Ofsted Inspection from June 2024.

These objectives are:

- To continue to develop effective relationships between all stakeholders to positively impact on the ethos of the academy and wellbeing of pupils within the academy.
- To continue to develop inclusive practise and train staff to support the most vulnerable
- To continue to enhance Cultural Capital opportunities and build on the excellent personal development and pastoral provision
- Achieve consistently high standards of teaching, learning and assessment, ensuring consistency of approach
- To continue to enhance local leadership support
- Develop cost effective curriculum design and collaboration which optimises opportunities for pupils and students and provides added value progress for them.
- Achieve best value in service delivery especially where partnership working can add value Lent Rise School's vision statement is encompassed in three words: **Learn, Reach and Shine**

The Academy's intent is for every child to learn, the implementation enables every child to reach their potential and the impact aim is for every child to shine! Lent Rise School's curriculum vision.

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Objectives and activities (continued)

Intent:

At Lent Rise School our intent is to deliver a curriculum that supports our pupils with skills for life. We want all our pupils to be equipped for learning and to develop thinking skills to enable them to make good choices and to reflect and reason. Our pupils will work with ambition in a safe and secure environment and will be prepared for life's journey.

Implementation:

Our curriculum is planned to ensure aspirations and ambition for all our pupils. The pupils will learn how to be resilient and effective learners. They will embed creativity, learning through a wide variety of skills; ensuring the pupils develop healthy minds and bodies. The pupils will learn through our Learn Reach Shine values in order to develop their character and curiosity.

Impact:

Through the curriculum the pupils will become courageous learners, demonstrating success and perseverance. They will be happy learners with inquiring minds. They will be eloquent and articulate; showing an interest and understanding in the world around them. Their experiences will prepare them with hope and confidence for the future.

Lent Rise School's Pupil Voice

The values that sit underneath the vision statement **Learn Reach Shine** were reviewed by the pupils in January 2024.

At Lent Rise School we strive for everyone to **Learn** through a skilfully planned curriculum, **Reach** their full potential and **Shine**, being happy and having healthy bodies and minds!

A number of pupil voice and young leader opportunities are provided including:

- Weekly meet the Headteacher session provide senior leaders and governors with breadth of pupil voice opportunities on a variety of topics
- The School Council works to provide ideas and fundraising to support school development
- The Eco Council support sustainability in the school and community and promote wider sustainability projects and the school's Climate Change Strategy
- LRS Buddies support the wellbeing of others
- The Sports council helps raise the profile of sports
- Junior Road Safety Officers work to engagement pupils, parents and the community in keeping safe
- Pupil mentors are trained to support others in a pastoral capacity
- Library Leaders drive a love of learning in the library
- Recycling and Site Leaders support sustainability
- Guinea Pig monitors support the health and wellbeing of the school's guinea pigs.

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Objectives and activities (continued)

Public benefit

In setting our objectives and planning our activities the trustees have carefully considered the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

As an academy we make the best use of our skills, expertise and experience with regards to the community. Some examples of this are:

- Hosting local school teacher moderation and training sessions
- Providing food to the local food bank through school wide collections and also acting as a lead voucher distributor supporting families within the school community with access to the food bank
- Working closely with clarities such as Burnham Health Promotions Trust and Hitcham Trust to support families in need
- Providing cycling training opportunities for pupils
- Providing holiday club access
- Raising awareness and money for local, national and international charities including the local food bank, Downs Syndrome Charity, Children in Need and Jeans 4 Genes, Show Racism the Red Card
- Pupil mentor programs that provide young leader training for Y6 pupils
- Providing wellbeing support to pupils and families e.g. play therapy and counselling
- Providing pupil peer mentoring training through Buckinghamshire Mind

Strategic report - achievements and performance

In January 2025 the Academy was awarded a Centre of Excellence for Inclusion; demonstrating further growth since the Ofsted 'Good' Ofsted Inspection from June 2024.

The school also achieved a Bronze Award School Travel Plan and a Bronze School Games award in 2025.

Our Key Stage Pupil Performance at the end of Key Stage Two is recorded below:

KS2 SATs data	Achieved the standard	Higher Score
GPS 2025	75%	30%
National (2025)	73%	
Reading 2025	82%	35%
National (2025)	75%	
Writing 2025	68%	15%
National (2024)	72%	
Maths 2025	73%	27%
National (2025)	74%	
Y4 Multiplication Timetables Check	31% pupils achieved 25/25	

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Strategic report - achievements and performance (continued)

KS2	LRS Average Score	National Average Score
Reading	107	106
Grammar Punctuation and Spelling	106	105
Maths	105	105

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.

Strategic report - financial review

Finance review

Despite significant inflationary pressures and increased costs impacting the education sector, the school has continued to demonstrate sound financial management throughout the year. Careful budgetary planning and prudent decision-making have enabled the school to contain expenditure effectively and mitigate the adverse effects of rising costs and as such the school has maintained financial resilience.

The school's strategic approach has included reviewing staffing strictures to ensure efficiencies are made to prioritise spend where it is needed for best pupil outcomes. Additionally, the administration has implemented rigorous financial controls to monitor spending closely. This disciplined financial oversight, has helped the school remain on a stable footing, minimising budget shortfalls and sustaining critical operations without compromising the quality of education. Going forward, the school is well-positioned to continue navigating these economic challenges with a focus on both stability and growth.

The principal source of funding for the Trust is the GAG and other grants that it receives from the DfE (formerly the ESFA). For the year ended 31st August 2025, the school received £2,725k of GAG and other funding (excluding capital funding). A high percentage of this funding is spent on wages and salaries and support costs to deliver the school's primary objective of the provision of education. During the year the school spent £2,808k (excluding capital expenditure).

Reserves policy

The Governing Body have determined that the appropriate level of free reserves should be a sum equivalent to one month's payroll, due to the uncertainties of future Government spending. The reason for this reserve is to provide sufficient working capital and to provide a cushion to deal with unexpected emergencies.

Total reserves at the end of the period amounted to £7,010,845. This balance includes unrestricted funds (free reserves) of £123,526, which are considered appropriate for the Academy Trust, restricted income funds of nil, restricted fixed asset reserves of £6,887,319 and a pension surplus of nil.

There is currently a surplus on the reserve for the Local Government Pension Scheme. This has not been reflected in the financial statements of the trust as it does not create an immediately realisable asset that can be released straight away and used by the trust.

Users should also note that a surplus or deficit position of the pension scheme would generally result in a cash flow effect for the Trust in the form of an increase or decrease in employers' pension contributions over a period of years. The Trust thus takes this fact into account when reviewing current business plans and budgets, ascertaining how the pension costs might affect budgets in the future. On the basis that increased pension contributions should generally be met from the Trust's budgeted annual income, whilst the deficit might not be eliminated, there should be no actual cash flow deficit on the fund or direct impact on the unrestricted reserves of the Trust due to the recognition of the deficit.

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Strategic report - financial review (continued)

Investment policy

Investment policies are determined by the Trust Board. This ensures the level of funds the Trust holds can cover any immediate expenditure, without exposing the Trust to additional risk. Should any potential investment opportunity arise this would be escalated to the Trust Board for consideration.

As at 31 August 2025, no investments were held.

Principal risks and uncertainties

The Companies Act 2006 s417(3b) requires disclosure of the principal risks and uncertainties facing a company. The Trust is exposed to a number of financial risks including credit, cash flow and liquidity risks. Given the Trust's exposure to financial instruments being limited, the exposure principally relates to bank balances, cash and trade creditors, with limited trade (and other) debtors. The trust's system of internal controls ensures risk is minimal in these areas.

A risk register has been established and is updated regularly. Where appropriate, systems or procedures have been established to mitigate the risks the Trust faces. Internal control risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects.

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the Trust is exposed, in particular those relating to the specific teaching, provision of facilities and other operational areas of the Trust, and its finances. The trustees have implemented a number of systems to assess risks that the Academies face, especially in the operational areas (e.g. in relation to teaching, health and safety, bullying and school trips) and in relation to the control of finance. They have introduced systems, including operational procedures (e.g. vetting of new staff and visitors, supervision of school grounds) and internal financial controls (see below) in order to minimise risk. Where significant financial risk still remains they have ensured they have adequate insurance cover.

The Trust has an effective system of internal financial controls and this is explained in more detail in the Governance Statement.

It should also be noted that procedures are in place to ensure compliance with the health and safety regulations, pertaining to both staff and pupils.

The trustees also are fully aware of their responsibilities to ensure that the trust's estate is safe, well maintained and compliant with the relevant regulations.

Please refer to the Reserves Policy above for a description of the defined benefit pension scheme, in which there was a surplus at 31 August 2025. Parliament has agreed, at the request of the Secretary of State for Education, to a guarantee that, in the event of academy closure, outstanding Local Government Pension Scheme liabilities

would be met by the Department for Education. The guarantee came into force on 18 July 2013 and on 21 July 2023, the Department for Education reaffirmed its commitment to the guarantee, with a parliamentary minute published on GOV.UK.

Fundraising

The Trust engages in limited fundraising activities throughout the academic year, both for specific projects and to augment the annual education budget

Due consideration is given at all times to ensuring that no fundraising practices are unreasonably intrusive or apply undue pressure especially with regard to vulnerable persons.

Funds held as custodian trustee on behalf of others

The Academy Trust and / or its trustees did not act as custodian trustee during the current or previous period.

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Auditor

Insofar as the trustees are aware:

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

The trustees' report, incorporating a strategic report, was approved by order of the board of trustees, as the company directors, on 09/12/2025 and signed on the board's behalf by:



[Maggie Young \(Dec 9, 2025 09:31:50 GMT\)](#)

Mrs Maggie Young
Chair of Trustees

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GOVERNANCE STATEMENT
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Scope of responsibility

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

As trustees, we have reviewed and taken account of the guidance in DfE's Governance Guide.

The board of trustees has delegated the day-to-day responsibility to the Headteacher, as accounting officer, for ensuring financial controls conform with the requirements of both propriety and good financial management and in accordance with the requirements and responsibilities assigned to it in the funding agreement between Lent Rise School 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' Report and in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities. The board of trustees has formally met 5 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
Miss Sarah Boxall	3	5
Rev Victoria Davidson	2	5
Mrs Kirsty Foley	2	5
Mr Atif Khan	3	5
Mrs Gemma Kirkham (Vice-Chair)	3	5
Ms Pauline Muldoon	3	5
Mrs Kavita Sharma	1	5
Mr Tim Steel	5	5
Mrs Jill Watson	5	5
Mrs Lindsay Wright	4	5
Mrs Maggie Young (Chair)	5	5
Mrs T Vaidya	0	1
Mr A Tamimi	3	5
Mrs U Zeeshan	3	4
Mr Shiv Gulati	0	1
Mr Richard Flemming	0	1

Key findings noted, actions taken and their impact are noted below:

- Two parent governors were elected by parent and one governor appointed by the governing body.
- The Trustees have maintained an up-to-date register of pecuniary interests; information is used to ensure any decisions are made, in line with the academies handbook requirements
- The Trustees review their vision and values
- The Trustees review financial and pupil focussed data
- The Trustees evaluate outcomes, using robust date, linking to targets and vision and values set
- The Vice Chair led the annual self-evaluation and audit, implementing training opportunities and enhancing school governors visit expectations.
- The Trustees have reviewed the school's staff structure to support future developments including supporting other schools
- The Trustees have supported the deployment of staff to support another school within the Local Authority
- The Trustees
- Financial efficiencies were reviewed alongside staffing review

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Effective oversight of funds was maintained through the Finance Committee meetings and monthly management accounts shared with the governing body via the Governor hub Portal.

The Finance Committee is a sub-committee of the main board of trustees. Its purpose is to act on matters delegated by the full governing body including -

- monitor the integrity of the financial statements
- review contracts and leases
- review internal financial controls and review the Academy's internal control and risk management systems;
- Review the auditor's independence and objectivity.

Attendance during the year at finance committee meetings was as follows:

Trustee	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
Mr Atif Khan (Vice-Chair)	4	5
Mrs Gemma Kirkham (Chair)	3	5
Ms Pauline Muldoon	4	5
Mrs Kavita Sharma	5	5
Mr Tim Steel	3	5
Mrs Jill Watson	5	5
Mrs Maggie Young	5	5
Mr Asfer Tamimi	2	5
Mr Richard Flemming	1	1
Mrs Uzma Zeeshan	1	1

The Audit Committee, is a sub-committee of the main board of trustees. Its purpose is to act on matters delegated by the full governing body including -

- agree a programme of work annually to deliver internal scrutiny that provides coverage across the year
- review the risk register to inform the programme of work, ensuring checks are modified as appropriate each year
- agree who will perform the work
- consider reports at each meeting from those carrying out the programme of work
- consider progress in addressing recommendations
- consider outputs from other assurance activities by third parties including DfE financial management and governance reviews, funding audits and investigations
- have access to the external auditor as well as those carrying out internal scrutiny, and consider their quality
- Receive regular internal audit / scrutiny reports detailing progress against areas of highest risk and recommend actions to the full Governing Board as necessary.

Attendance at meetings during the year was as follows:

Trustee	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
Mr Atif Khan (Vice-Chair)	4	6
Mrs Gemma Kirkham (Chair)	3	6
Ms Pauline Muldoon	5	6
Mrs Kavita Sharma	5	6
Mr Tim Steel	4	6
Mrs Jill Watson	6	6
Mrs Maggie Young	6	6
Mr Asfer Tamimi	2	6
Mr Richard Flemming	1	1
Mrs Uzma Zeeshan	1	1

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The Pupils Standards and Curriculum committee is a sub-committee of the main board of trustees. Its purpose is to act on matters delegated by the full governing body including -

- Consider curriculum, attainment and progress as well as pupil attendance and other pupil pastoral matters.

Attendance at meetings during the year was as follows:

Trustee	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
Miss Sarah Boxall	1	2
Rev Victoria Davidson	1	2
Mrs Kirsty Foley	2	2
Mr Atif Khan	0	2
Mrs Gemma Kirkham	2	2
Ms Pauline Muldoon	1	2
Mrs Kavita Sharma (Vice-Chair)	0	2
Mr Tim Steel (Chair)	2	2
Mrs Jill Watson	2	2
Mrs Lindsay Wright	1	2
Mrs Maggie Young	2	2
Mr Asfer Tamimi	0	2
Mrs Uzma Zeeshan	1	2

In addition to the above meetings, the full governing board meeting in July had a pupil standard focus

The Pay Review committee is a sub-committee of the main board of trustees. Its purpose is to act on matters delegated by the full governing body including -

- Setting and reviewing senior leaders pay
- Setting and reviewing teachers pay
- Setting and reviewing support staff pay

Attendance at meetings during the year was as follows:

Trustee	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
Mr Atif Khan	2	2
Mr Tim Steel	2	2
Mrs Jill Watson	2	2
Mrs Lindsay Wright	2	2
Mrs Maggie Young	2	2
Ms Pauline Muldoon	0	2

The Redundancy committee is a sub-committee of the main board of trustees. Its purpose is to act on matters delegated by the full governing body including -

- Consider financial efficiencies appraisals in line with staffing requirements and budgets

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Attendance at meetings during the year was as follows:

Trustee	Meetings attended	Out of a possible
Mrs Jill Watson	2	2
Mrs Lindsay Wright	2	2
Ms Pauline Muldoon	2	2
Mrs Uzma Zeeshan	2	2
Mrs Kavita Sharma	1	2

Review of value for money

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

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

- Review of operating processes using academic models to identify potential cost savings driven by efficiency
- A review of capacity management including review of insurance provision and staff structure to reduce cover costs
- Supporting CPD across the teaching team including aspiring leaders, middle and senior leaders to support impact on pupils and community
- Support Initial Teacher Training placements in school
- Supporting staff to engage with Initial Teacher Training
- Ongoing review of contract obligations to ensure best value for money
- Deploying staff strategically and reviewing the staffing structure in line with need for efficiencies

The purpose of the system of internal control

The system of internal control is designed to manage risk to a reasonable level rather than to eliminate all risk of failure to achieve policies, aims and objectives. It can, therefore, only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance of effectiveness. The system of internal control is based on an on-going process designed to identify and prioritise the risks to the achievement of academy trust policies, aims and objectives, to evaluate the likelihood of those risks being realised and the impact should they be realised, and to manage them efficiently, effectively and economically. The system of internal control has been in place in Lent Rise School for the period to 31 August 2025 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 on-going process for identifying, evaluating and managing the academy trust's significant risks that has been in place for the period to 31 August 2025 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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The risk and control framework

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

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

The board of trustees has decided:

- to buy-in an internal audit service from TSO Education Ltd

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

- Attendance
- Website Compliance
- HR
- Governance

On a biannual basis, the auditor reports to the board of trustees, through the audit and risk committee on the operation of the systems of control and on the discharge of the board of trustees' financial responsibilities. On an annual basis the auditor prepare a summary report to the committee outlining the areas reviewed, key findings, recommendations and conclusions to help the committee consider actions and assess year on year progress.

The agreed schedule of work has been delivered as planned. No material control issues were identified as a result of the work undertaken.

Review of effectiveness

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

- the work of the internal auditor / reviewer
- the work of the external auditor
- the financial management and governance self-assessment process or the school resource management self-assessment tool
- the work of the executive managers within the academy trust who have responsibility for the development and maintenance of the internal control framework.

The accounting officer has been advised of the implications of the result of their review of the system of internal control by the audit and risk committee and a plan to address weaknesses *[if relevant]* and ensure continuous improvement of the system is in place.

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**GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEARD ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025**

Conclusion

Based on the advice of the audit and risk committee and the accounting officer, the board of trustees is of the opinion that the academy trust has an adequate and effective framework for governance, risk management and control.

Approved by order of the members of the board of trustees on 09/12/2025 and signed on its behalf by:



Maggie Young (Dec 9, 2025 09:31:50 GMT)

**Mrs Maggie Young
Chair of Trustees**



**Mrs Jillian Watson
Accounting Officer**

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STATEMENT OF REGULARITY, PROPRIETY AND COMPLIANCE

As accounting officer of Lent Rise School, I confirm that I have had due regard to the framework of authorities governing regularity, propriety and compliance, including the trust's funding agreement with DfE, and the requirements of the Academy Trust Handbook, including responsibilities for estates safety and management. I have also considered my responsibility to notify the academy trust board of trustees and DfE of material irregularity, impropriety and non-compliance with terms and conditions of all funding, including for estates safety and management.

I confirm that I and the Academy Board of Trustees are able to identify any material irregular or improper use of all funds by the Academy, or material non-compliance with the framework of authorities.

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



Mrs Jillian Watson
Accounting Officer
Date: 08/12/2025

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

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

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP 2019 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2024 to 2025;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

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

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

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

Approved by order of the members of the Board of Trustees on
09/12/2025 and signed on its behalf by:


Maggie Young (Dec 9, 2025 09:31:50 GMT)

Mrs Maggie Young
Chair of Trustees

LENT RISE SCHOOL
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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF LENT
RISE SCHOOL**

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Lent Rise School (the 'academy') for the year ended 31 August 2025 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Cash Flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law, United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland', the Charities SORP 2019 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2024 to 2025 issued by the Department for Education.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Academy's affairs as at 31 August 2025 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 2024 to 2025 issued by the Department for Education.

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 Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the Academy in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the United Kingdom, including the Financial Reporting Council's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

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's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are 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.

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF LENT
RISE SCHOOL (CONTINUED)**

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and our Auditors' Report thereon. The Trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the Annual Report. 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 this gives rise to 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.

Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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

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

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

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

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

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities, the Trustees (who are also the directors of the Academy for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, 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'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 or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF LENT
RISE SCHOOL (CONTINUED)**

Auditors' 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 Auditors' 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.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

We considered the nature of the industry and its control environment, and reviewed the academy's documentation of their policies and procedures relating to fraud and compliance with laws and regulations. We also enquired of management about their own identification and assessment of the risks of irregularities.

We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory framework that the academy's operates in, and identified the key laws and regulations that:

- had a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. These included the UK Companies Act and tax legislation; and
- do not have a direct effect on the financial statements but compliance with which may be fundamental to the charitable company's ability to operate or to avoid a material penalty.
- we discussed among the audit engagement team regarding the opportunities and incentives that may exist within the organisation for fraud and how and where fraud might occur in the financial statements.

In common with all audits under ISAs (UK), we are also required to perform specific procedures to respond to the risk of management override. In addressing the risk of fraud through management override of controls, we tested the appropriateness of journal entries and other adjustments; assessed whether the judgements made in making accounting estimates are indicative of a potential bias; and evaluated the business rationale of any significant transactions that are unusual or outside the normal course of business.

In addition to the above, our procedures to respond to the risks identified included the following:

- reviewing financial statement disclosures by testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with provisions of relevant laws and regulations described as having a direct effect on the financial statements;
- performing analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships that may indicate risks of material misstatement due to fraud;
- enquiring of management, and external legal counsel concerning actual and potential litigation and claims, and instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations; and
- reading minutes of meetings of those charged with governance.

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. This 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.

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO THE MEMBERS OF LENT
RISE SCHOOL (CONTINUED)**

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

Other matters

We were appointed as auditors of Lent Rise School for the year ended 31 August 2025, and this is our first year of audit. The financial statements of the academy trust for the year ended 31 August 2024 were audited by another auditor, who expressed an unmodified opinion on those financial statements and on regularity in their report dated 17 December 2024.

Khan M Khan

Khan M Khan (Dec 10, 2025 11:34:20 GMT)

Khan Mohammad Khan (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of

Reckoner Audit Limited
Chartered Certified Accountants
Statutory Auditors

Jubilee House
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Date: 10/12/2025

LENT RISE SCHOOL
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INDEPENDENT REPORTING ACCOUNTANT'S ASSURANCE REPORT ON REGULARITY TO LENT RISE SCHOOL AND THE EDUCATION AND SKILLS FUNDING AGENCY

In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 14 May 2025 and further to the requirements of the Department for Education (DfE), as included in the extant Framework and Guide for External Auditors and Reporting Accountants of Academy Trusts, we have carried out an engagement to obtain limited assurance about whether anything has come to our attention that would suggest, in all material respects, the expenditure disbursed and income received by Lent Rise School during the year 1 September 2024 to 31 August 2025 have not been applied to the purposes intended by Parliament and that the financial transactions do not conform to the authorities which govern them.

This report is made solely to Lent Rise School and the Secretary of State for Education in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to Lent Rise School and the Secretary of State for Education 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 Lent Rise School and the Secretary of State for Education, for our work, for this report, or for the conclusion we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of Lent Rise School's accounting officer and the reporting accountant

The accounting officer is responsible, under the requirements of Lent Rise School's funding agreement with the Secretary of State for Education dated 01 November 2015 and the Academy Trust Handbook, extant from 1 September 2024, 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 extant Framework and Guide for External Auditors and Reporting Accountants of Academy Trusts. We report to you whether anything has come to our attention in carrying out our work which suggests that in all material respects, expenditure disbursed and income received during the year 1 September 2024 to 31 August 2025 have not been applied for the 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 DfE, which requires a limited assurance engagement as set out 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's income and expenditure.

The work undertaken to draw to our conclusion includes:

- review of management reporting documents;
- review of Trustees/Governors meeting minutes;
- consideration of whether any personal benefit has been derived from the Academy Trust's transactions by staff or related parties;

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**INDEPENDENT REPORTING ACCOUNTANT'S ASSURANCE REPORT ON REGULARITY TO LENT RISE
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- consideration of the Academies Trust Handbook regularity requirements and related documents; and
- review of internal controls.

Conclusion

In the course of our work, nothing has come to our attention which suggest in all material respects the expenditure disbursed and income received during the year 1 September 2024 to 31 August 2025 has not been applied for the purposes intended by Parliament or that the financial transactions do not conform to the authorities which govern them.

Reckoner Audit

Reckoner Audit (Dec 10, 2025 11:35:22 GMT)

Reporting Accountant

Reckoner Audit Limited
Chartered Certified Accountants
Statutory Auditors

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Date: 10/12/2025

LENT RISE SCHOOL
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Restricted fixed asset funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	As restated Total funds 2024 £
Income from:						
Donations and capital grants	3	1,118	-	8,971	10,089	532,967
Other trading activities	5	87,912	13,963	-	101,875	161,197
Investments	6	-	9,065	-	9,065	4,081
Charitable activities	4	-	2,613,043	-	2,613,043	2,402,684
Total income		89,030	2,636,071	8,971	2,734,072	3,100,929
Expenditure on:						
Raising funds		-	34,755	-	34,755	28,581
Charitable activities	7	-	2,773,080	107,452	2,880,532	3,166,884
Total expenditure		-	2,807,835	107,452	2,915,287	3,195,465
Net income/(expenditure)		89,030	(171,764)	(98,481)	(181,215)	(94,536)
Transfers between funds	17	(640,249)	596,441	43,808	-	-
Net movement in funds before other recognised gains/(losses)		(551,219)	424,677	(54,673)	(181,215)	(94,536)
Other recognised gains/(losses):						
Actuarial losses on defined benefit pension schemes	24	-	(42,000)	-	(42,000)	(35,000)
Net movement in funds		(551,219)	382,677	(54,673)	(223,215)	(129,536)
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward		674,745	(382,677)	6,941,992	7,234,060	7,363,596
Net movement in funds		(551,219)	382,677	(54,673)	(223,215)	(129,536)
Total funds carried forward		123,526	-	6,887,319	7,010,845	7,234,060

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

The notes on pages 27 to 51 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 AUGUST 2025

	Note	2025 £	As restated 2024 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	13	6,893,754	6,949,857
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		6,893,754	6,949,857
Current assets			
Debtors	14	94,267	108,054
Cash at bank and in hand		204,446	701,573
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		298,713	809,627
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	(176,617)	(518,989)
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Net current assets		122,096	290,638
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Total assets less current liabilities		7,015,850	7,240,495
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	16	(5,005)	(6,435)
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Net assets excluding pension asset		7,010,845	7,234,060
Defined benefit pension scheme asset	24	-	-
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Total net assets		7,010,845	7,234,060
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Funds of the Academy			
Restricted funds:			
Fixed asset funds	17	6,887,319	6,941,992
Restricted income funds	17	-	(382,677)
Pension reserve		-	-
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Total restricted funds	17	6,887,319	6,559,315
Unrestricted income funds	17	123,526	674,745
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Total funds		7,010,845	7,234,060
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The financial statements on pages 24 to 51 were approved by the Trustees, and authorised for issue on 09/12/2025 and are signed on their behalf, by:


 Maggie Young (Dec 9, 2025 09:31:50 GMT)

Mrs Maggie Young
Chair of Trustees

The notes on pages 27 to 51 form part of these financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

	Note	2025 £	As restated 2024 £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Net cash used in operating activities	19	(453,384)	(121,769)
Cash flows from investing activities	21	(42,313)	446,422
Cash flows from financing activities	20	(1,430)	(1,430)
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year		(497,127)	323,223
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year		701,573	378,350
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	22, 23	204,446	701,573

The notes on pages 27 to 51 form part of these financial statements

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

1. Accounting policies

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

1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements of the Academy, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared under the historic cost convention in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard Applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Academies Accounts Direction 2024 to 2025 issued by DfE, the Charities Act 2011 and the Companies Act 2006.

1.2 Going concern

The Trustees assess whether the use of going concern is appropriate i.e. whether there are any material uncertainties related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the ability of the Academy 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 has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future and there are no material uncertainties about the Academy's ability to continue as a going concern, thus they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Income

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

- Grants**

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

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

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

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.3 Income (continued)

• Donations

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

• Other income

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

1.4 Expenditure

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

• Expenditure on raising funds

This includes all expenditure incurred by the Academy 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's educational operations, including support costs and costs relating to the governance of the Academy apportioned to charitable activities.

All resources expended are inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

1.5 Interest receivable

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

1.6 Taxation

The Academy 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 is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Part 11, chapter 3 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.7 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 life, as follows:

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Long-term leasehold property	- 125 years
Furniture and equipment	- 10 years
Computer equipment	- 3 years

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

1.8 Debtors

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

1.9 Cash at bank and in hand

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

1.10 Liabilities

Liabilities and provisions are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance Sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably. Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the academy anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide. Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised within interest payable and similar charges.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.11 Financial instruments

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

Financial assets - trade and other debtors are basic financial instruments and are debt instruments measured at amortised cost as detailed in note 14. Prepayments are not financial instruments.

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

Financial liabilities - trade creditors, accruals and other creditors are financial instruments, and are measured at amortised cost as detailed in notes 15 and 16. 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.

1.12 Pensions

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

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

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1. Accounting policies (continued)

1.13 Fund accounting

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

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

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

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

2. Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgment

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

Critical accounting estimates and assumptions:

The Academy trust 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 or income for pensions include the discount rate. Any changes in these assumptions, which are disclosed in note 24, 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 2022 has been used by the actuary in valuing the pensions liability at 31 August 2025. 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.

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3. Income from donations and capital grants

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted fixed asset funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	As restated Total funds 2024 £
Donations	1,118	-	1,118	7,094
Capital Grants	-	8,971	8,971	525,873
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	1,118	8,971	10,089	532,967
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<i>Total 2024 as restated</i>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	7,094	525,873	532,967	
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4. Funding for the Academy's charitable activities

	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
DfE/ESFA grants			
General annual grant (GAG)	1,994,001	1,994,001	1,850,001
Other DfE/ESFA grants			
Pupil premium	114,455	114,455	116,526
UIFSM	69,959	69,959	65,996
Mainstream schools additional grant	-	-	62,998
Teachers' pay grant	33,262	33,262	32,862
PE and sports grant	19,560	19,560	19,570
Teachers' pension grant	40,311	40,311	16,796
Core school budget grant	69,886	69,886	-
Others	29,808	29,808	15,245
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	2,371,242	2,371,242	2,179,994
Other Government grants			
Local authority grants	241,801	241,801	212,032
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	241,801	241,801	212,032
COVID-19 additional funding (DfE/ESFA)			
Recovery Premium	-	-	10,658
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	2,613,043	2,613,043	2,402,684
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<i>Total 2024</i>	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
	2,402,684	2,402,684	
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5. Income from other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Trips income	-	13,963	13,963	15,673
Lettings income	14,020	-	14,020	18,589
Other income	73,892	-	73,892	109,270
Catering income	-	-	-	17,665
	87,912	13,963	101,875	161,197
<i>Total 2024</i>	127,859	33,338	161,197	

6. Investment income

	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Investment income	65	65	81
Pension income	9,000	9,000	4,000
	9,065	9,065	4,081
<i>Total 2024</i>	4,081	4,081	

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7. Expenditure

	Staff Costs 2025 £	Premises 2025 £	Other 2025 £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Expenditure on raising voluntary income:					
Direct costs	-	-	34,755	34,755	28,581
Educational activities:					
Direct costs	1,958,388	-	180,512	2,138,900	1,968,711
Allocated support costs	316,997	133,022	291,613	741,632	1,198,173
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<i>Total 2024</i>	2,120,520	548,928	526,017	3,195,465	
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8. Analysis of expenditure by activities

	Activities undertaken directly 2025 £	Support costs 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Educational activities	2,138,900	741,632	2,880,532	3,166,884
<i>Total 2024</i>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
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8. Analysis of expenditure by activities (continued)

Analysis of direct costs

	Educational activities 2025	Total funds 2025	Total funds 2024
	£	£	£
Staff costs	1,863,938	1,863,938	1,750,441
Teaching supply costs	94,450	94,450	57,692
Technology costs	64,183	64,183	57,147
Educational supplies	51,726	51,726	32,630
Training and development	16,673	16,673	19,496
Educational consultancy	47,930	47,930	51,305
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<i>Total 2024</i>	<i>2,138,900</i>	<i>2,138,900</i>	<i>1,968,711</i>
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8. Analysis of expenditure by activities (continued)

Analysis of support costs

	Educational activities 2025	Total funds 2025	Total funds 2024
	£	£	£
Staff costs	348,548	348,548	342,287
Depreciation	107,452	107,452	83,594
Non cash pension cost	(33,000)	(33,000)	(31,000)
Maintenance of premises and equipment	31,617	31,617	476,689
Cleaning	35,857	35,857	37,612
Rent and rates	14,082	14,082	12,342
Energy costs	32,805	32,805	33,354
Insurance	21,736	21,736	20,348
Security and transport	9,531	9,531	9,366
Catering	82,874	82,874	97,061
Legal and professional	30,055	30,055	25,831
Other support costs	38,190	38,190	70,840
Support staff supply costs	1,449	1,449	1,100
Governance costs	20,436	20,436	18,749
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	741,632	741,632	1,198,173
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<i>Total 2024</i>	<i>1,198,173</i>	<i>1,198,173</i>	
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9. Net income/(expenditure)

Net income/(expenditure) for the year includes:

	2025	2024
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	107,452	83,594
Fees paid to auditors for:		
- audit	11,000	12,900
- other services	3,500	1,400
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10. Staff

a. Staff costs

Staff costs during the year were as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
Wages and salaries	1,643,066	1,582,649
Social security costs	168,013	139,621
Pension costs	401,407	370,458
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	2,212,486	2,092,728
Agency staff costs	95,899	58,792
Non cash pension costs	(33,000)	(31,000)
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	2,275,385	2,120,520
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b. Staff numbers

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

	2025 No.	2024 No.
Teachers	17	18
Admin and support	47	44
Management	4	4
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	68	66
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c. Higher paid staff

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

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10. Staff (continued)

c. Higher paid staff (continued)

	2025 No.	2024 No.
In the band £60,001 - £70,000	1	1
In the band £70,001 - £80,000	1	1
In the band £100,001 - £110,000	-	1
In the band £110,001 - £120,000	1	-
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d. Key management personnel

The key management personnel of the Academy comprise the Trustees and the senior management team as listed on page . 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 was £422,516 (2024 - £471,966).

11. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

One or more Trustees has been paid remuneration or has received other benefits from an employment with the Academy. 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:

		2025 £	2024 £
Mrs Jillian Watson	Remuneration	110,000 - 115,000	105,000 - 110,000
	Pension contributions paid	30,000 - 35,000	25,000 - 30,000
Miss Sarah Boxall	Remuneration	60,000 - 65,000	60,000 - 65,000
Mrs Kirsty Foley	Remuneration	25,000 - 30,000	25,000 - 30,000
	Pension contributions paid	5,000 - 10,000	5,000 - 10,000

During the year ended 31 August 2025, no Trustee expenses have been incurred (2024 - NIL).

12. 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.

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13. Tangible fixed assets

	Long-term leasehold property £	Assets under construction £	Furniture and equipment £	Computer equipment £	Total £
Cost or valuation					
At 1 September 2024	6,887,957	130,931	369,808	67,639	7,456,335
Additions	20,317	-	9,445	21,587	51,349
Transfers between classes	130,931	(130,931)	-	-	-
At 31 August 2025	7,039,205	-	379,253	89,226	7,507,684
Depreciation					
At 1 September 2024	309,261	-	147,824	49,393	506,478
Charge for the year	56,233	-	36,981	14,238	107,452
At 31 August 2025	365,494	-	184,805	63,631	613,930
Net book value					
At 31 August 2025	6,673,711	-	194,448	25,595	6,893,754
At 31 August 2024	6,578,696	130,931	221,984	18,246	6,949,857

14. Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Due within one year		
Trade debtors	9,292	3,650
Prepayments and accrued income	75,644	92,858
Tax recoverable	9,331	11,546
	94,267	108,054

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15. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2025	As restated 2024
	£	£
Salix loan	1,430	1,430
Trade creditors	41,392	1,593
Other taxation and social security	79,907	75,806
Other creditors	-	394,317
Accruals and deferred income	53,888	45,843
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Other creditors included a CIF repayment liability of £394k outstanding at the year end 2024. This amount was settled with the DfE during the year, resulting in a nil balance at the year end 2025.

	2025	2024
	£	£
Deferred income at 1 September 2024	37,697	25,698
Resources deferred during the year	46,888	37,697
Amounts released from previous periods	(37,697)	(25,698)
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At the balance sheet date the academy trust was holding funds received in advance for UIFSM income and rates relief deferred for 7 months.

16. Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year

	2025	As restated 2024
	£	£
Salix loan	5,005	6,435
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17. Statement of funds

	Balance at 1 September 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 August 2025 £
Unrestricted funds						
General Funds - all funds	674,745	89,030	-	(640,249)	-	123,526
Restricted general funds						
General annual grant	(382,677)	1,994,001	(2,207,765)	596,441	-	-
Pupil premium	-	114,455	(114,455)	-	-	-
UIFSM	-	69,959	(69,959)	-	-	-
Teachers' pay grant	-	33,262	(33,262)	-	-	-
PE & sports grant	-	19,560	(19,560)	-	-	-
Teachers' pension grant	-	40,311	(40,311)	-	-	-
Core school budget grant	-	69,886	(69,886)	-	-	-
Other DfE/ESFA grants	-	29,808	(29,808)	-	-	-
Local authority grants	-	241,801	(241,801)	-	-	-
General funds	-	14,028	(14,028)	-	-	-
Pension reserve	-	9,000	33,000	-	(42,000)	-
	(382,677)	2,636,071	(2,807,835)	596,441	(42,000)	-
Restricted fixed asset funds						
Restricted Fixed asset funds - all funds	6,941,992	8,971	(107,452)	43,808	-	6,887,319

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17. Statement of funds (continued)

	Balance at 1 September 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 August 2025 £
Total Restricted funds	6,559,315	2,645,042	(2,915,287)	640,249	(42,000)	6,887,319
Total funds	7,234,060	2,734,072	(2,915,287)	-	(42,000)	7,010,845

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

Unrestricted funds represent those resources which may be used forwards meeting any of the charitable objects of the academy at the discretion of the Trustees.

Restricted general funds are resources for educational purposes.

Restricted fixed asset are resources which are to be applied to specific capital purposes.

Under the funding agreement with the Secretary of State, the Academy was not subject to a limit on the amount of GAG it could carry forward at 31 August 2025.

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17. Statement of funds (continued)

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

	<i>Balance at 1 September 2023</i> £	<i>Income</i> £	<i>As restated Expenditure</i> £	<i>As restated Transfers in/out</i> £	<i>Gains/ (Losses)</i> £	<i>As restated Balance at 31 August 2024</i> £
Unrestricted funds						
General Funds - all funds	576,100	134,953	-	(36,308)	-	674,745
Restricted general funds						
General annual grant	(166,423)	1,850,001	(2,066,255)	-	-	(382,677)
Pupil premium	-	116,526	(116,526)	-	-	-
UIFSM	-	65,996	(65,996)	-	-	-
Other DfE fundings	-	15,245	(15,245)	-	-	-
Mainstream schools additional grant	-	62,998	(62,998)	-	-	-
Recovery premium	-	10,658	(10,658)	-	-	-
Local authority grants	-	212,032	(212,032)	-	-	-
General funds	-	33,419	(33,419)	-	-	-
Teachers' Pay Grant	-	32,862	(32,862)	-	-	-
PE and Sports Grant	-	19,570	(19,570)	-	-	-
Teachers' Pension Grant	-	16,769	(16,769)	-	-	-
Pension reserve	-	4,000	31,000	-	(35,000)	-
	(166,423)	2,440,076	(2,621,330)	-	(35,000)	(382,677)

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17. Statement of funds (continued)

	<i>Balance at 1 September 2023</i> £	<i>Income</i> £	<i>As restated Expenditure</i> £	<i>As restated Transfers in/out</i> £	<i>Gains/ (Losses)</i> £	<i>As restated Balance at 31 August 2024</i> £
Restricted fixed asset funds						
Restricted Fixed asset funds - all funds	6,953,919	534,359	(582,594)	36,308	-	6,941,992
Total Restricted funds	6,787,496	2,974,435	(3,203,924)	36,308	(35,000)	6,559,315
Total funds	7,363,596	3,109,388	(3,203,924)	-	(35,000)	7,234,060

18. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2025</i> £	<i>Restricted funds 2025</i> £	<i>Restricted fixed asset funds 2025</i> £	<i>Total funds 2025</i> £
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	6,893,754	6,893,754
Current assets	123,526	175,187	-	298,713
Creditors due within one year	-	(175,187)	(1,430)	(176,617)
Creditors due in more than one year	-	-	(5,005)	(5,005)
Total	123,526	-	6,887,319	7,010,845

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18. Analysis of net assets between funds (continued)

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year

	Unrestricted funds 2024	As restated Restricted funds 2024	As restated Restricted fixed asset funds 2024	As restated Total funds 2024
	£	£	£	£
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	6,949,857	6,949,857
Current assets	674,745	134,882	-	809,627
Creditors due within one year	-	(517,559)	(1,430)	(518,989)
Creditors due in more than one year	-	-	(6,435)	(6,435)
Total	674,745	(382,677)	6,941,992	7,234,060

19. Reconciliation of net expenditure to net cash flow from operating activities

	2025	As restated 2024
	£	£
Net expenditure for the year (as per Statement of Financial Activities)	(181,215)	(94,536)
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation	107,452	83,594
Capital grants from DfE and other capital income	(8,971)	(525,873)
Interest receivable	(65)	(81)
Defined benefit pension scheme cost less contributions payable	(33,000)	(31,000)
Defined benefit pension scheme finance cost	(9,000)	(4,000)
Decrease in debtors	13,787	29,944
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(342,372)	420,183
Net cash used in operating activities	(453,384)	(121,769)

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20. Cash flows from financing activities

	2025 £	2024 £
Repayments of borrowing	(1,430)	(1,430)
Net cash used in financing activities	(1,430)	(1,430)
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21. Cash flows from investing activities

	2025 £	2024 £
Dividends, interest and rents from investments	65	81
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(51,349)	(79,532)
Capital grants from DfE Group	8,971	525,873
Net cash (used in)/provided by investing activities	(42,313)	446,422
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22. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2025 £	2024 £
Cash in hand and at bank	204,446	701,573
Total cash and cash equivalents	204,446	701,573
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23. Analysis of changes in net debt

	At 1 September 2024 £	Cash flows £	At 31 August 2025 £
Cash at bank and in hand	701,573	(497,127)	204,446
Debt due within 1 year	(1,430)	-	(1,430)
Debt due after 1 year	(6,435)	1,430	(5,005)
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	693,708	(495,697)	198,011
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24. Pension commitments

The Academy'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 Buckinghamshire County Council. Both are multi-employer defined benefit schemes.

The latest valuation of the TPS related to the period ended 31 March 2020 and the latest triennial valuation for LGPS related to the period ended 31 March 2022. The Trust has received an actuarial report relating to the valuation of the LGPS as at 31 August 2025.

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

Teachers' Pension Scheme

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

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

Valuation of the Teachers' Pension Scheme

The Government Actuary, using normal actuarial principles, conducts a formal actuarial review of the TPS in accordance with the Public Service Pensions (Valuations and Employer Cost Cap) Directions 2014 published by HM Treasury every 4 years. The aim of the review is to ensure scheme costs are recognised and managed appropriately and the review specifies 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 2020. The valuation report was published by the Department for Education on 27 October 2023, with the SCAPE rate, set by HMT, applying a notional investment return based on 1.7% above the rate of CPI. The key elements of the valuation outcome are:

- employer contribution rates set at 28.68% of pensionable pay (including a 0.08% administration levy). This is an increase of 5% in employer contributions and the cost control result is such that no change in member benefits needed.
- 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 result of this valuation was implemented on 1 April 2024. The next valuation result is due to be implemented from 1 April 2027.

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24. Pension commitments (continued)

The employer's pension costs paid to TPS in the year amounted to £253,409 (2024 - £226,396).

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

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

Local Government Pension Scheme

The LGPS is a funded defined benefit pension scheme, with the assets held in separate trustee-administered funds. The total contribution made for the year ended 31 August 2025 was £187,000 (2024 - £179,000), of which employer's contributions totalled £150,000 (2024 - £143,000) and employees' contributions totalled £37,000 (2024 - £36,000). The agreed contribution rates for future years are 22.1 per cent for employers and 5.5 - 12.5 per cent for employees.

As described in note 1.11 the LGPS obligation relates to the employees of the Academy, who were the employees transferred as part of the conversion from the maintained school and new employees who were eligible to, and did, join the Scheme in the year. The obligation in respect of employees who transferred on conversion represents their cumulative service at both the predecessor school and the Academy at the balance sheet date.

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

Buckinghamshire Pension Fund

	2025	2024
	%	%
Rate of increase in salaries	3.60	3.80
Rate of increase for pensions in payment/inflation	2.95	2.80
Discount rate for scheme liabilities	6.15	5.10
Inflation assumption (CPI)	2.60	2.80

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

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24. Pension commitments (continued)

	2025 Years	2024 Years
<i>Retiring today</i>		
Males	21.8	20.7
Females	24.5	24.3
<i>Retiring in 20 years</i>		
Males	23.4	22.0
Females	26.2	25.7

Share of scheme assets

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

	At 31 August 2025	As restated At 31 August 2024
	£	£
Equities	658,000	724,000
Debt instruments	253,000	304,000
Property	63,000	72,000
Cash and other liquid assets	25,000	29,000
Other	266,000	319,000
Total market value of assets	1,265,000	1,448,000

The actual return on scheme assets was £12,000 (2024 - £82,000).

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

	2025 £	2024 £
Current service cost	(116,000)	(111,000)
Interest income	84,000	70,000
Interest cost	(75,000)	(66,000)
Administrative expenses	(1,000)	(1,000)
Total amount recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities	(108,000)	(108,000)

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24. Pension commitments (continued)

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

	2025	As restated 2024
	£	£
At 1 September	1,448,000	1,270,000
Current service cost	116,000	111,000
Interest cost	75,000	66,000
Employee contributions	37,000	36,000
Actuarial (gains)/losses	(406,000)	11,000
Benefits paid	(5,000)	(46,000)
At 31 August	1,265,000	1,448,000

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

	2025	As restated 2024
	£	£
At 1 September	1,448,000	1,270,000
Interest income	84,000	70,000
Actuarial losses	(448,000)	(24,000)
Employer contributions	150,000	143,000
Employee contributions	37,000	36,000
Benefits paid	(5,000)	(46,000)
Administration expenses	(1,000)	(1,000)
At 31 August	1,265,000	1,448,000

25. Contingent asset

As at 31 August 2025, the actuarial valuation of the Local Government Pension Scheme was calculated as a surplus of £571,000 (2024: £111,000). As this valuation does not give rise to a virtually certain economic benefit for the trust, either in the form of a reduction in future contributions or a cash settlement, any surplus arising on the valuation is recognised solely as a contingent asset.

26. Members' liability

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

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27. Related party transactions

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

No related party transactions took place in the period of account, other than certain trustees' remuneration and expenses already disclosed in note 11.

28. Prior year adjustments

During the preparation of the current year financial statements, it was identified that there were errors in the prior year's financial statements that required correction. These errors are as follows which have now been corrected:

In other creditors CIF clawback was previously understated by £55,552.

Capital grant income overstated by £55,552.

The asset ceiling impact was incorrectly set-off against the actuarial losses on defined benefit obligations, rather than with the actuarial gain on the share of scheme assets. This error led to the difference of £106,000 in the benefit obligations balance per accounts and per the LGPS report.

LENT RISE SCHOOL

Coulson Way, Burnham, Slough, SL1 7NP

09/12/2025
Date:

Your ref: 4210

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Dear Sirs

Lent Rise School

The following representations are made on the basis of enquiries of management and staff with relevant knowledge and experience such as we consider necessary in connection with your audit of the academy trust's financial statements and, as relevant, your assurance engagement on regularity for the year ended 31 August 2025. These enquiries have included inspection of supporting documentation where appropriate. All representations are made to the best of our knowledge and belief.

General

1. We have fulfilled our responsibilities as Trustees as set out in the terms of your engagement letter, under the Companies Act 2006 for preparing financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view and for making accurate representations to you.
2. All the transactions undertaken by the academy trust have been properly reflected and recorded in the accounting records.
3. All the accounting records have been made available to you for the purpose of your audit and regularity assurance engagement. We have provided you with unrestricted access to all appropriate persons within the academy trust, and with all other records and related information requested, including minutes of all management and trustee meetings and correspondence with the Department for Education and the Charity Commission.
4. The financial statements are free of material misstatements, including omissions.
5. We approve all adjustments as set out in Appendix A, and all decisions on issues requiring the exercise of judgement. We believe that those uncorrected misstatements identified during the audit are immaterial both individually and in aggregate to the financial statements as a whole. A list of these items will also be included in Appendix A, if applicable, together with our reasons for not correcting them. Further, we confirm that new information obtained during the current audit resulted in identification of prior year misstatements, and we agree to the resulting restatement of the prior year financial statements.

Internal Control and Fraud

6. We acknowledge our responsibility for the design, implementation and maintenance of internal control systems to prevent and detect fraud and error and which conform to the requirements both of propriety and good financial management. We have disclosed to you the results of our risk assessment that the financial statements may be misstated as a result of fraud.
7. We have disclosed to you all instances of known or suspected fraud affecting the entity involving management, employees who have a significant role in internal control or others that could have a material effect on the financial statements.
8. We have also disclosed to you all information in relation to allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the entity's financial statements communicated by current or former employees, analysts, regulators or others.

Assets and Liabilities

9. The academy trust has satisfactory title to all assets and there are no liens or encumbrances on the academy trust's assets, except for those that are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.
10. All actual liabilities, contingent liabilities and guarantees given to third parties have been recorded or disclosed as appropriate.
11. We have no plans or intentions that may materially alter the carrying value and where relevant the fair value measurements or classification of assets and liabilities reflected in the financial statements.
12. We consider that the actuarial assumptions made in connection with the valuation of the deficit on the local government defined benefit pension scheme, are appropriate and representative of the scheme members.

Accounting Estimates

13. Significant assumptions used by us in making accounting estimates, including those measured at fair value, are reasonable.
14. All accounting policies adopted are appropriate for the academy trust and are adequately disclosed.

Loans and arrangements

15. The academy trust has not granted any advances or credits to or made guarantees on behalf of directors other than those disclosed in the financial statements.

Legal claims

16. We have disclosed to you all claims in connection with litigation that have been, or are expected to be, received and such matters, as appropriate, have been properly accounted for, and disclosed in, the financial statements.

Laws and regulations

17. We have disclosed to you all known instances of non-compliance or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial statements.
18. All relevant correspondence with the academy trusts regulators, including serious incident reports, has been made available to you.

Related parties

19. Related party relationships and transactions, comply with the academy trust's financial regulations, relevant requirements of the Academy Trust Handbook and have been appropriately accounted for and disclosed in the financial statements. We have disclosed to you all relevant information concerning such relationships and transactions and are not aware of any other matters which require disclosure in order to comply with the requirements and guidance set out in the Companies Act 2006, the Charities SORP and the Academies Accounts Direction issued by the Department for Education.

Subsequent events

20. All events subsequent to the date of the financial statements which require adjustment or disclosure have been properly accounted for and disclosed.

Going concern

21. We believe that the academy trust's financial statements should be prepared on a going concern basis on the grounds that current and future sources of funding or support will be more than adequate for the academy trusts needs. We have considered a period of twelve months from the date of approval of the financial statements. We believe that no further disclosures relating to the academy trust's ability to continue as a going concern need to be made in the financial statements.

Grants and donations

22. Grants made by the Department of Education have been applied for the purposes intended and the Accounting Officer has ensured regular and proper use and value for money of monies received from government.

23. All other grants, donations and other income, the receipt of which is subject to specific terms or conditions, have been notified to you. There have been no breaches of terms or conditions in the application of such income.

24. The academy trust has not been in receipt of any income relating to the year ended 31 August 2025 other than that recorded within the books.

We acknowledge our legal responsibilities regarding disclosure of information to you as auditors and confirm that so far as we are aware, there is no relevant audit information needed by you in connection with preparing your audit report of which you are unaware.

We confirm that so far as we are aware, there is no relevant other information needed by you in connection with preparing your reporting accountant's assurance report on regularity of which you are unaware.

Each Trustee has taken all the steps that he/she ought to have taken as a Trustee in order to make themself aware of any relevant audit other information and to establish that you are aware of that information.

Yours faithfully


Maggie Young (Dec 9, 2025 09:31:50 GMT)

Lent Rise School

Signed on behalf of the Board of Trustees

LENT RISE SCHOOL

Coulson Way, Burnham, Slough, SL1 7NP

08/12/2025
Date:

Your ref: 4210

Reckoner Audit
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Dear Sirs

Lent Rise School

The following representations are made on the basis of enquiries of management and staff with relevant knowledge and experience such as I consider necessary in connection with your assurance report on regularity to Lent Rise School and the Department for on (DfE) for the year ended 31 August 2025. These enquiries have included inspection of supporting documentation where appropriate and are sufficient to satisfy me that I can make each of the following representations. All representations are made to the best of my knowledge and belief.

General

1. I have fulfilled my responsibilities as accounting officer under the requirements of the funding agreement between Lent Rise School and the Secretary of State for Education and the Academy Trust Handbook 2024.
2. I acknowledge my personal responsibility to Parliament for the regularity and propriety of the public finances for which I am answerable; for the keeping of proper accounts; for effective internal controls; for prudent and economical administration; for the avoidance of waste and extravagance; for achieving value for money; and for the efficient and effective use of all the resources in my charge.
3. I acknowledge my responsibility to notify the Trustee Board and the DfE of any instances of material irregularity or impropriety, or non-compliance with the terms of the academy trust's funding agreement and have had due regard to the requirements of the Academy Trust Handbook 2024 in performing this duty.
4. Any instances of material irregularity, impropriety, or non-compliance discovered to date have been notified to the governing body and the DfE.

5. Significant matters of which you should be aware have been brought to your attention including any instances of irregularity, impropriety or non-compliance with laws and regulations specific to the academy trust's authorising framework.
6. Full and free access has been granted to all records, correspondence, information and explanations that you have considered necessary to enable you to perform your work.

Yours faithfully



Accounting Officer
Lent Rise School

LENT RISE SCHOOL

Coulson Way, Burnham, Slough, SL1 7NP

Subsequent Events Confirmation

As part of our completion work for the audit of the trust, we are required to obtain confirmation regarding subsequent events following the balance sheet date. Therefore, we would be grateful if you could confirm whether there are any events or conditions including, but not limited to, any potential legal proceedings against the trust which have been brought to your attention following 31 August 2025. Events/conditions could also include fraud within or external to the trust.

Please either state **N/A** or **enter details below**.

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Accounting Officer
Lent Rise School

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