

**Company registration number 06268570 (England and Wales)**

**CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY  
(A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)**

**ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

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## REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

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### Members

H Mottram CBE  
L Hunter MBE  
R Somerville  
M Williams (Appointed 09/10/2023)  
R Warneford (Appointed 09/10/2023)

### Trustees

Dr E Leonard-Cross  
L Hunter MBE  
J Bridges OBE (Accounting Officer) (Resigned 31 August 2024)  
B Gubbins CBE  
R Koglbauer-Franklin (Vice Chair)  
A Young  
K McLaughlin  
H Mottram CBE (Chair)  
M Wooler  
R Hutton  
D Ross (Resigned 26 March 2024)  
J Owens (Accounting Officer from 1 September 2024)  
N Gudgion  
A Radcliffe  
L Dunn (Appointed 22 March 2024)

### Senior management team

- CEO	J S Bridges OBE (until 31 August 2024)
- Principal	J Owens
- Vice Principal	A Payne
- Vice Principal	M Ruddick
- Vice Principal	A Marshall
- Assistant Vice Principal	E McDermott
- Assistant Vice Principal	G Woollett
- Finance Director	P Smith

### Company secretary

P Smith

### Company registration number

06268570 (England and Wales)

### Principal and registered office

Cartwright Road  
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SR5 3DX

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Regent Centre  
Gosforth  
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NE3 3LS

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### **Bankers**

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Fawcett Street  
Sunderland  
SR1 1RS  
United Kingdom

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32 Gallowgate  
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Tyne & Wear  
NE1 4BF  
United Kingdom

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## TRUSTEES' REPORT

### *FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024*

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The trustees present their annual report together with the accounts and auditor's report of the charitable company for the year 1 September 2023 to 31 August 2024. The annual report serves the purposes of both a trustees' report, and a directors' report and strategic report under company law.

The academy trust operates an academy for pupils aged 11 to 16 serving a catchment area in Sunderland. It has a pupil capacity of 1,050 and had a roll of 1,038 in the school census in October 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 charitable company operates as Castle View Enterprise Academy.

The trustees of Castle View Enterprise Academy are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law. Details of the trustees who served during the year, and to the date these accounts are approved, are included in the Reference and Administrative Details on page 1.

##### Members' liability

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

##### Trustees' indemnities

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

##### Method of recruitment and appointment or election of trustees

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

##### Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees

The training and induction provided for new Governors depends on their existing experience. Where necessary induction and training is provided on charity, educational, legal and financial matters. All new Governors are given a tour of the academy and the chance to meet with staff and students. All Governors are provided with copies of policies, procedures, minutes, accounts, budgets, plans and other documents that they will need to undertake their role as Governors. As there are normally only one or two new Governors a year, induction tends to be done informally and is tailored specifically to the individual.

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## TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

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#### Organisational structure

During the year the Academy continued to operate a unified management structure. The Structure consists of four levels: the Governors, the Chief Executive Officer, the Senior Leadership Team and the Middle Leader Team. The aim of the management structure is to devolve responsibility and encourage involvement in decision making at all levels. The Chief Executive Officer retired on 31 August 2024 at which time the structure reverted to three levels.

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

The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) is responsible for managing all non-educational aspects of the Trust and provides support and guidance to the Principal. These responsibilities reverted to the Principal on the Chief Executive Officer's retirement.

The Senior Leadership Team are the Principal, three Vice Principals and two Assistant Vice Principals. These managers, together with the Finance Director, control the academy at an executive level implementing the policies laid down by the Governors and reporting back to them.

The daily management of the academy is centred on the Director of each subject area, Key Stage Pastoral Managers and Heads of Year. They drive forward their area and are accountable for achievement, attendance and behaviour.

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

The Members and Governors receive no remuneration for the services they provide.

The Governors determine the general pay and remuneration policy of the Academy. That of the CEO, the Principal and the Finance Director are set directly by the Governors based on performance against targets. The pay and remuneration of other Key Management Personnel and members of the Senior Leadership Team are determined in accordance with the general pay policy of the Academy and subject to satisfactory performance against targets.

#### Trade union facility time

##### *Relevant union officials*

Number of employees who were relevant union officials during the relevant period	1
Full-time equivalent employee number	1.00

##### *Percentage of time spent on facility time*

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

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

Total cost of facility time	-
Total pay bill	6,219,426
Percentage of the total pay bill spent on facility time	-

##### *Paid trade union activities*

Time spent on paid trade union activities as a percentage of total paid facility time hours	-
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#### Engagement with employees

The governors recognise that equal opportunities should be an integral part of good practice within the workplace. The academy trust aims to establish equal opportunities in all areas of its activities including creating a working environment in which the contribution and needs of all people are fully valued.

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#### Related parties and other connected charities and organisations

Northumbrian Water Limited and Sunderland City Council are the sponsors of Castle View Enterprise Academy Trust. Since the foundation of the academy, Northumbrian Water Limited has donated £250,000 and Sunderland City Council has donated £1,100,000 to The Northumbrian Water Limited Endowment Trust, referred to below, the income from which is to be applied to assist the academy to achieve its educational purposes, and in particular:

- 1) to counter the impact of deprivation and disadvantage on education: and
- 2) to promote educational work within the community served by the academy.

#### **Objectives and activities**

##### Objects and aims

The principal object and activity of the academy trust is the operation of Castle View Enterprise Academy to provide education for students of different abilities between the ages of 11 and 16 with an emphasis on business and enterprise.

In accordance with the articles of association, the academy trust has adopted a 'Scheme of Governance' approved by the Secretary of State for Education. The Scheme of Governance specifies amongst other things, the basis for admitting students to the academy, the catchment area from which students are drawn and that the curriculum should comply with the substance of the national curriculum with an emphasis on business and enterprise and their practical applications.

##### Objectives, strategies and activities

The academy's main strategy is encompassed in its mission statement which is:

- To provide the best education for all students in order for them to achieve their personal best;
- To develop personal, social, spiritual and cultural development within an environment where every child does matter; and
- To create an orderly, disciplined, caring environment and prepare all students for the world of work and further education in the 21st Century.

The activities undertaken to achieve these objectives are all intended to provide the highest quality of education in the public sector for students between the ages of 11 and 16.

##### Public benefit

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

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## TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

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### Strategic report

#### Achievements and performance

##### Headline Figures 2023-24

- Grade 4 or more in English and Maths: **64%** up from 55% in 2023
- Grade 5 or more in English and Maths: **41%** up from 37% in 2023
- Progress 8: **-0.18** up from -0.88 in 2023
- Attainment 8: **42.61** up from 40.34 in 2023
- Ebacc APS: **3.87** up from 3.69 in 2023
- Percentage of pupils achieving the strong pass for English Baccalaureate: **20%** up from 14% in 2023

**All subjects improved their 9-5 and 9-4 pass rates.**

##### There were some fantastic subject results:-

- Mathematics: achieved above national average for all main measures.
- Physics: achieved 48% 9-7 and 100% 9-5%
- Chemistry: achieved 44% 9-7 and 100% 9-5%
- Biology: 44% 9-7 and 100% 9-5%
- Art: achieved 23% 9-7, 67% 9-5 and 87% 9-4
- Science had their highest results ever
- Business, Child Development, Catering, Travel and Tourism, ICT and Sport vocational courses also achieved outstanding results, significantly above national averages.

##### Outstanding student performance 2024

- BA: 2 grade 9's, 7 grade 8's
- CC: 3 grade 9's, 3 grade 8's, 2 grade 7's
- JR: 1 grade 9, 5 grade 8's, 2 grade 7's

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Castle View Enterprise Academy receives additional funding, in the form of Pupil Premium, for those students who are eligible. The funding allocated each year and that received by the Academy is:

DfE Financial Year (Ending 31st March)	Students Eligible	% of Students Eligible	Students Funding per Student	Total Allocation
2016-2017	303.5	41%	£935	£283,773
2017-2018	318.5	43%	£935	£297,878
2018-2019	355.2	42%	£935	£335,425
2019-2020	363	39%	£955	£346,665
2020-2021	351.5	39%	£955	£335,682
2021-2022	445.6	44%	£955	£425,549
2022-2023	411	41%	£955	£404,835
2023-2024	431.5	43%	£1,035	£446,603
2024-2025 (indicative)	447	43%	£1,050	£469,350

#### Actual Funding Received per Academic Year

2016-2017	£291,720
2017-2018	£315,470
2018-2019	£332,098
2019-2020	£355,709
2020-2021	£393,477
2021-2022	£416,640
2022-2023	£461,625
2023-2024	£510,784

#### Additional Information

The Academy works with a wide range of local partners to provide a high-quality careers programme from year 7 to year 11. Students have opportunities to meet local employers, to visit workplaces, to take part in work experience and to find out about their options after they leave the Academy.

In June 2023 the Academy was inspected under the new Ofsted framework and was rated GOOD in all areas.

The Academy has an established a successful Sport Academy with specialisms in Cricket, Football and Dance.

CVEA operates its own Cadet Force, this was formed in 2015 and they are affiliated with The Royal Regiment of Fusiliers with direct links into Fifth Fusiliers. CVEA was the first school in Sunderland to offer this programme for young people in our care.

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#### Key performance indicators

- Progress and attainment across 8 qualifications
- The percentage of students achieving the threshold in English and Maths (Grade 4/5)
- Percentage of students entering and percentage of students achieving the English Baccalaureate
- Percentage of students staying in education after Key Stage 4
- Attendance compared to national average
- Reduction in suspensions
- Good in Ofsted inspections
- Maintenance of reserves at or above the Reserves Policy
- Control of costs to budget levels

#### 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, the board of trustees continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the accounts. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the statement of accounting policies.

#### **Financial review**

Most of the academy's income is obtained from the Department of Education (DfE) via the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) in the form of recurrent grants, the use of which is restricted to particular purposes. The grants received from the DfE/ESFA during the year ended 31 August 2024 and the associated expenditure are shown as restricted funds in the Statement of Financial Activities.

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

In addition, the academy receives grants from the local authority, Sunderland City Council, in respect of students with special educational needs and students whom are looked after by the authority. The income and associated expenditure are shown as restricted funds in the Statement of Financial Activities. The academy also generates income from the letting of school facilities to third parties, and from activities associated with this letting. This income, and the associated costs are shown as unrestricted funds in the Statement of Financial Activities.

The academy has made unrealised gains on the investment of the Endowment Fund in the year. This income is shown in unrestricted funds in the Statement of Financial Activities.

During the year ended 31 August 2024, total expenditure of £8,701,717 was less than the recurrent grant funding from the DfE/ESFA together with other incoming resources. The excess of income over expenditure for the year (before transfers and actuarial gains and excluding restricted fixed asset funds and unrealised investment gains) was £499,921.

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

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At 31 August 2024 the net book value of fixed assets was £11,885,586 and movements in tangible fixed assets are shown in note 13 to the Financial Statements. The assets were used exclusively for providing education and the associated support services to the students of the academy. At the year-end the cash balances were £3,127,043, and increase of £356,359 reflecting the surplus for the year.

The provisions of Financial Reporting Standard (FRS) 102 have been applied in full in respect of the LGPS pensions scheme, resulting in a deficit of £nil recognised on the balance sheet.

The academy held free reserves at 31 August 2024 of £2,988,606 which is comprised of £2,201,118 of unrestricted funds and £787,488 of restricted funds.

#### Reserves policy

The academy holds endowment, restricted and unrestricted funds (the attached financial statements detail these funds). Unrestricted funds are held to cover ongoing costs in relation to the running of the academy including catering provisions, school trips and uniform costs.

The level of reserves is reviewed by the Governors regularly throughout the year. The minimum level of reserves for the ongoing needs of an academy is reviewed by the Governors on an annual basis. This review encompasses the nature of income and expenditure streams, the need to match income with commitments and the nature of reserves. Over the long term the Governors consider it prudent to hold total reserves in the general fund in the form of free reserves (total funds less the amount held in fixed assets and restricted funds) of 13% of total incoming resources less restricted fixed asset income, which amounts to £1,177,000.

This is considered sufficient to cover:

1. One month's payroll cost and
2. One month's payments to suppliers
3. Specific planned future liabilities

At 31 August 2024 actual reserves exceeded this policy by £2,381,606.

The Academy is currently carrying a higher reserves level than normal because we currently have high pupil numbers. We anticipate that this will reduce in time with a consequent reduction in our total income. Our current three-year forecasts demonstrate that as student numbers begin to fall, we will need to utilise reserves in order to maintain a consistently high level of education. We anticipate that student numbers will continue to fall for a period of at least 5 years.

In addition, we have a number of commitments and planned expenditure that will utilise reserves in the future, such as:

1. Resurfacing of the 3G football pitch- estimated costs £250,000 to £300,000
2. Building and property repairs and maintenance such as roofing works (estimated costs £100,000) and repairs to windows (£55,000)
3. Continuing the upgrade and renewal of the Academy's IT infrastructure and completion of the 'cloud' project (£105,000)
4. Projects to improve behaviour, performance and attendance

#### Investment policy

The Academy Trust's Endowment Fund is invested in a mixed portfolio of assets through RBC Brewin Dolphin. The financial objective of the investment is to at least maintain the long-term real value of the assets whilst generating a growing income stream to assist in supporting the Academy's educational and such other charitable purposes, whilst maintaining an acceptable level of risk. Other cash is held in accounts through the Trust's bankers.

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#### Principal risks and uncertainties

The principal risks and uncertainties are centred on changes in the level of funding from the DfE/ESFA. Funding is determined on an annual basis within a government spending review period. Although income per student should be stable throughout the spending review period this is not certain, and can be subject to changes in government policy, driven by national and international factors beyond our control.

The academy is a member of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS), which is subject to a revaluation each year. The Academy's fund is currently in surplus but future changes in bond rates, investment returns or life expectancy could see this return to a deficit that would be shown on the Academy balance sheet. The employer's contribution rate was re-assessed downwards from April 2023, following the last triennial valuation at 31 March 2022. There is a risk that the next triennial valuation at 31 March 2025 could lead to a higher rate of contribution with a consequent impact on staff costs.

The Academy is also at risk from a return to high inflation, further impacting on staff costs in particular and on overheads such as heat and light. Unless funding growth reflects inflation, the Academy's spending power will decline.

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

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

The Academy Trust is subject to a number of risks and uncertainties in common with other Academy Trusts. The Academy Trust has in place procedures to identify and mitigate financial risks.

The Governors recognise the risks impacting the trust's estate particularly relating to health and safety, maintenance of the structures and compliance with regulations. A full suite of procedures is in place to mitigate any risks through regular planned actions; to identify issues through monitoring, testing and inspection, and to remedy any issues discovered in a timely manner; to provide relevant information to contractors and staff to ensure they are protected from risks arising either through their own actions or through risks inherent in the buildings and to fully record any issues that may arise. A review of the buildings carried out by the Academy has not identified any issues with RAAC in the older parts of the Academy. Governors are continuing to monitor the position and will follow guidance issued by the Department for Education to determine any future actions required.

#### **Fundraising**

The Academy is funded principally through Central and Local Government grants, but does generate its own income through such activities as the letting of Academy facilities outside of teaching hours, particularly the 3G football pitch. The Academy does not work with any commercial or professional fundraisers and does not undertake fundraising campaigns.

#### **Plans for future periods**

Development work continues at a rapid pace and includes:

- Review of the Academy policies by the Governing Body
- Review of the staffing structure to maximise the effectiveness of the teaching, support and administrative staff
- Continuing to raise attainment and develop inclusion for all students
- Sustaining links with the community and businesses
- Continuing development of our cricket, dance and football academies
- Further develop the CCF and its interaction with the other activities of the Academy.

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## TRUSTEES' REPORT (CONTINUED)

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#### **Auditor**

In so far as the trustees are aware:

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

A resolution proposing that Azets Audit Services be reappointed as auditor of the charitable company will be put to the members.

The trustees' report, incorporating a strategic report, was approved by order of the board of trustees, as the company directors, on ~~20 December 2024~~ and signed on its behalf by:



Heidi Mottram 20 Dec 2024 12:49:42 GMT (UTC +0)

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H Mottram CBE

**Chair**

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

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#### Scope of responsibility

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

The board of trustees has delegated the day-to-day responsibility to the principal, 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 Castle View Enterprise Academy and the Secretary of State for Education. The accounting officer is 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 4 times during the year. Attendance during the year at meetings of the board of trustees was as follows:

Trustees	Meetings attended	Out of possible
Dr E Leonard-Cross	3	4
L Hunter MBE	3	4
J Bridges OBE (Accounting Officer) (Resigned 31 August 2024)	3	4
B Gubbins CBE	4	4
R Koglbauer-Franklin (Vice Chair)	3	4
A Young	2	4
K McLaughlin	1	4
H Mottram CBE (Chair)	4	4
M Wooler	3	4
R Hutton	1	4
D Ross (Resigned 26 March 2024)	1	2
J Owens (Accounting Officer from 1 September 2024)	4	4
N Gudgion	3	4
A Radcliffe	2	4
L Dunn (Appointed 22 March 2024)	2	2

The Governing Body is a carefully selected group of individuals brought together to provide challenge, support and monitoring of Castle View Enterprise Academy. The Group is made up of two members of the lead sponsor Northumbrian Water Limited, two education specialists from local Universities, four from business, two from an education background, two Community Governors and two Parent Governors.

#### Conflicts of interest

In order to manage any conflicts of interest the Academy Trust maintains a register of the business and pecuniary interests of the Governors and senior staff. This is updated annually but Governors and senior staff have a responsibility to notify the Academy trust of any changes. The information in this register is then used to identify any potential conflicts of interest on new suppliers or contracts. At each meeting of Governors, those attending are asked to declare any interests that may conflict with the best interests of the Academy Trust, they would then leave the meeting where any conflicting issue were being discussed, and would not take part in any discussion or decision-making regarding the issue.

#### Governance reviews

A Governor skills audit is carried out periodically to identify any training and development needs. This is incorporated into a Governance Strategy Action Plan that is regularly reviewed at meetings of the full governing body.

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

The Finance, Audit and General Purposes Committee is a sub-committee of the main board of governors. Its purpose is to assist the decision making of the Governing Body, by enabling more detailed consideration to be given to the best means of fulfilling the Governing Body's responsibility to ensure sound management of the Academy's finances, including proper planning monitoring and probity. During the year the Responsible Officer audits the accounts process and joins all of the meetings.

The Finance, Audit and General Purposes Committee meets 3 times per year, separately to the Full Board meetings. The Committee will scrutinise financial reports and management information for the Trust, question the Finance Director and request any further information that it requires. The committee then reports back to the Board at the next meeting, where the financial position and financial management of the Trust can be discussed. The Board believes that this structure meets their responsibilities to ensure robust and effective financial management.

Attendance at meetings in the year was as follows:

<b>Trustees</b>	<b>Meetings attended</b>	<b>Out of possible</b>
L Hunter MBE	1	3
J Bridges OBE (Accounting Officer) (Resigned 31 August 2024)	2	3
B Gubbins CBE	3	3
K McLaughlin	1	2
R Hutton	1	3
J Owens (Accounting Officer from 1 September 2024)	3	3
L Dunn (Appointed 22 March 2024)	1	2

#### **Review of value for money**

The Board of Governors consists of a broad mix of individuals bringing different skills and experience to the management and oversight of the Academy, including education, business management and finance. Governors take responsibility for specific departments and pastoral areas within the Academy, carrying out regular reviews with senior and middle leaders, meeting students and reviewing work. Reports are then made to the Board of Governors to ensure that the work of the Board is focussed on those areas most in need of development. Training is made available to all Governors, both general and specific to their areas of responsibility, to ensure that the Board remain up to date and effective.

The Board believes that it provides effective strategic direction to the senior leadership team and performs an effective oversight function through observation and questioning. A number of challenges have arisen during the course of the year:

- The Board made the decision to continue to increase the student intake in September 2020, following the increase in the previous three years, as in the longer term this growth would benefit the Academy and the students;
- Changes to the curriculum and in doing so increasing the EBACC provision.

It is the view of the Board that the data provided to the Board is of good quality, for both actual and forecast educational and financial outcomes. The data is carefully prepared, based on evidence or supported by reasonable assumptions that are disclosed with the data. The Board will challenge and question the data to satisfy themselves that it is robust and accurate.

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## GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (CONTINUED)

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

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

- Constantly reviewing the staffing structure of the academy to ensure that staff are best deployed to support the curriculum needs of all students and to provide the most efficient support and administration services;
- Reviewing contracts for support services at each renewal to identify alternative providers and/or negotiating with providers to reduce costs;
- Enhancing income generation opportunities to provide additional funds to support academy activities.
- Ensuring the Academy compares and challenges prices for goods and services;

Appointing suitably qualified and experienced consultants/contractors to advise the Academy on property matters and areas such as Health and Safety, and to carry out inspection and testing of structures, machinery and systems to ensure compliance with relevant regulations.

#### **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 Castle View Enterprise Academy for the period 1 September 2023 to 31 August 2024 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and accounts.

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

The board of trustees has reviewed the key risks to which the academy trust is exposed together with the operating, financial and compliance controls that have been implemented to mitigate those risks. The board of trustees is of the view that there is a formal ongoing process for identifying, evaluating and managing the academy trust's significant risks that has been in place for the period 1 September 2023 to 31 August 2024 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and accounts. This process is regularly reviewed by the board of trustees.

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

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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
- delegation of authority and segregation of duties
- identification and management of risks
- testing of payroll systems
- testing of purchase systems
- testing of control account/ bank reconciliations
- the work of the internal auditor
- the work of the external auditor
- the work of the executive managers within the academy trust who have responsibility for the development and maintenance of the internal control framework

The board of governors has considered the need for a specific internal audit function. The Governors have appointed Joseph Leese FCPFA.

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

- Payroll
- ESFA, DFE & Local Authority Income
- Cash Income
- Petty Cash, Expenses & Debit/Credit Card expenditure
- Purchases and Payments
- ESFA Compliance
- Trading and Other Income
- Bank and Cash Management
- Fixed Assets
- Financial Management and Segregation of Duties
- Month End Procedures

The auditor reports to the board of governors, through the Finance, Audit and General Purposes Committee on the operation of the systems of control and on the discharge of the board of governors' financial responsibilities and annually prepares an annual summary report to the committee outlining the areas reviewed, key findings, recommendations and conclusions to help the committee consider actions and assess year on year progress.

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## GOVERNANCE STATEMENT (CONTINUED)

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

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The internal auditor has delivered their schedule of work as planned.

### **Review of effectiveness**

As accounting officer, the principal 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;
- The work of the external auditor
- The work of the executive managers within the academy trust who have responsibility for the development and maintenance of the internal control framework

The accounting officer has been advised of the implications of the result of their review of the system of internal control by the finance, audit and general purposes committee and a plan to ensure continuous improvement of the system is in place.

### **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 board of trustees on 20 December 2024 signed on its behalf by:



Heidi Mottram 20 Dec 2024 12:49:42 GMT (UTC +0)

H Mottram CBE

**Chair**

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## STATEMENT OF REGULARITY, PROPRIETY AND COMPLIANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

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As accounting officer of Castle View Enterprise Academy, I have considered my responsibility to notify the academy trust board of trustees and the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) of material irregularity, impropriety and non-compliance with terms and conditions of all funding, including for estates safety and management, under the funding agreement in place between the academy trust and the Secretary of State for Education. As part of my consideration I have had due regard to the requirements of the Academy Trust Handbook 2023, including responsibilities for estates safety and management.

I confirm that I and the academy trust's board of trustees are able to identify any material irregular or improper use of funds by the academy trust, or material non-compliance with the terms and conditions of funding under the academy trust's funding agreement and the Academy Trust Handbook 2023.

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



Jo Owens 17 Dec 2024 11:21:13 GMT (UTC +0)

J Owens  
**Accounting Officer**

20 December 2024

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

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The trustees (who are also the directors of Castle View Enterprise Academy for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the accounts in accordance with the Academies Accounts Direction 2023 to 2024 published by the Education and Skills Funding Agency, United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year. Under company law, the trustees must not approve the accounts 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 accounts, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2023 to 2024;
- make judgements 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 accounts; and
- prepare the accounts 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 accounts 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 that 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 accounts may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Approved by order of the members of the board of trustees on ~~20 December 2024~~ signed on its behalf by:

  
Heidi Mottram 20 Dec 2024 12:49:42 GMT (UTC +0)

H Mottram CBE  
**Chair**

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

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### Opinion

We have audited the accounts of Castle View Enterprise Academy for the year ended 31 August 2024 which comprise the statement of financial activities, the balance sheet, the statement of cash flows and notes to the accounts, including significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), the Charities SORP 2019 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2023 to 2024 issued by the Education and Skills Funding Agency.

In our opinion the accounts:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 August 2024 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;
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP 2019 and the Academies Accounts Direction 2023 to 2024.

### Basis for opinion

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

### Emphasis of matter

We draw your attention to the key judgements made in relation to the accounting treatment and assumptions regarding the Local Government Pension Scheme ('LGPS'). The key judgements are disclosed at note 2 includes the relevant pension scheme disclosures. It should be noted that for sector-wide comparability users of these financial statements should take into consideration differing sector judgements relating to asset ceiling calculations, where appropriate. Our Auditor's Report is unmodified in this respect.

### Conclusions relating to going concern

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

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

### Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the annual report other than the accounts and our auditor's report thereon. The trustees are responsible for the other information contained within the annual report. Our opinion on the accounts 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 accounts 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 accounts 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.

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# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY (CONTINUED)

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

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### **Opinions 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 incorporated strategic report for the financial year for which the accounts are prepared is consistent with the accounts; and
- the trustees' report including the incorporated strategic report has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

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

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the academy trust and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the trustees' report, including the incorporated 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 accounts 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 are responsible for the preparation of the accounts 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 accounts that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. In preparing the accounts, the trustees are responsible for assessing the academy trust's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

### **Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the accounts**

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

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:

- enquiries of management about any actual or potential litigation and claims;
- enquiries of management about any known or suspected instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations and fraud;
- challenging assumptions and judgements made by management in their significant accounting estimates;
- auditing the risk of management override of controls, including through testing journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business and reviewing accounting estimates for bias;
- reading correspondence with regulators including the OFSTED; and
- reviewing minutes of those charged with governance;
- reviewing internal assurance reports; and
- reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing support documentation.

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY (CONTINUED)

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

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We identified the following areas as those most likely to have a material impact on the financial statements: Health and Safety; employment law (including the Working Time Directive); and compliance with the Charities Act 2011 and UK Companies Act.

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that some material misstatements in the financial statements may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with the ISAs (UK). For instance, the further removed non-compliance is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely the auditor is to become aware of it or to recognise the non-compliance.

A further description of our responsibilities is available on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: <https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

### Use of our report

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

*Azets Audit Services*

Brian Laidlaw 20 Dec 2024 13:02:01 GMT (UTC +0)

**Brian Laidlaw BA CA (Senior Statutory Auditor)  
for and on behalf of Azets Audit Services**

20 December 2024  
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# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## INDEPENDENT REPORTING ACCOUNTANT'S ASSURANCE REPORT ON REGULARITY TO CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY AND THE EDUCATION AND SKILLS FUNDING AGENCY

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

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In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 7 December 2023 and further to the requirements of the Education and Skills Funding Agency (ESFA) as included in the Academies Accounts Direction 2023 to 2024, we have carried out an engagement to obtain limited assurance about whether the expenditure disbursed and income received by Castle View Enterprise Academy during the period 1 September 2023 to 31 August 2024 have been applied to the purposes identified by Parliament and the financial transactions conform to the authorities which govern them.

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

### **Respective responsibilities of Castle View Enterprise Academy's accounting officer and the reporting accountant**

The accounting officer is responsible, under the requirements of Castle View Enterprise Academy's funding agreement with the Secretary of State for Education dated 25 May 2007 and the Academy Trust Handbook, extant from 1 September 2023, for ensuring that expenditure disbursed and income received is applied for the purposes intended by Parliament and the financial transactions conform to the authorities which govern them.

Our responsibilities for this engagement are established in the United Kingdom by our profession's ethical guidance, and are to obtain limited assurance and report in accordance with our engagement letter and the requirements of the Academies Accounts Direction 2023 to 2024. 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 period 1 September 2023 to 31 August 2024 have not been applied to purposes intended by Parliament or that the financial transactions do not conform to the authorities which govern them.

### **Approach**

We conducted our engagement in accordance with the Framework and Guide for External Auditors and Reporting Accountant of Academy Trusts issued by ESFA. We performed a limited assurance engagement as defined in our engagement letter.

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

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

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

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## INDEPENDENT REPORTING ACCOUNTANT'S ASSURANCE REPORT ON REGULARITY TO CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY AND THE EDUCATION AND SKILLS FUNDING AGENCY (CONTINUED)

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

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The work undertaken to draw to our conclusion includes:

- Review of Governing body and committee minutes;
- Review of available internal assurance reports;
- Completion of self assessment questionnaire by the Accounting Officer;
- Discussions with the Accounting Officer and finance team;
- Review documentation provided to Governors and Accounting Officer setting out responsibilities;
- Obtained a formal letter of representation detailing the responsibilities of governors;
- Review of payroll, purchases and expense claims on a sample basis;
- Confirmation that the lines of delegation and limits set have been adhered to;
- Evaluation of internal control procedures and reporting lines;
- Review of cash payments for unusual transactions;
- Review of credit card transactions;
- Review of register of interests;
- Review of related party transactions;
- Review of borrowing arrangements;
- Review of land and building transactions;
- Review of potential and actual bad debts;
- Review of gifts and hospitality on a sample basis to ensure in line with policy; and
- Consideration of governance issues.

### Conclusion

In the course of our work, nothing has come to our attention which suggests that in all material respects the expenditure disbursed and income received during the period 1 September 2023 to 31 August 2024 has not been applied to purposes intended by Parliament and the financial transactions do not conform to the authorities which govern them.

*Azets Audit Services*

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### Reporting Accountant

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Dated: 20 December 2024

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds: General £	Fixed asset £	Endowment funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>							
Donations and capital grants	4	-	43,482	21,032	-	64,514	59,759
Charitable activities:							
- Funding for educational operations	5	-	8,439,889	-	-	8,439,889	7,798,590
Other trading activities	6	525,634	-	-	-	525,634	395,054
Investments	7	24,326	-	-	-	24,326	26,714
<b>Total</b>		<b>549,960</b>	<b>8,483,371</b>	<b>21,032</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,054,363</b>	<b>8,280,117</b>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>							
Raising funds	8	-	4,067	-	-	4,067	5,473
Charitable activities:							
- Educational operations	9	3,949	8,226,513	467,188	-	8,697,650	7,996,634
<b>Total</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3,949</b>	<b>8,230,580</b>	<b>467,188</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>8,701,717</b>	<b>8,002,107</b>
Gains on investments		147,275	-	-	-	147,275	-
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>693,286</b>	<b>252,791</b>	<b>(446,156)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>499,921</b>	<b>278,010</b>
Transfers between funds	20	-	(217,037)	217,037	-	-	-
<b>Other recognised gains/(losses)</b>							
Actuarial gains on defined benefit pension schemes	22	-	198,000	-	-	198,000	111,000
Adjustment for restriction on pension assets	22	-	(210,000)	-	-	(210,000)	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<b>693,286</b>	<b>23,754</b>	<b>(229,119)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>487,921</b>	<b>389,010</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>							
Total funds brought forward		1,507,832	763,734	12,114,705	1,189,991	15,576,262	15,187,252
Total funds carried forward		2,201,118	787,488	11,885,586	1,189,991	16,064,183	15,576,262

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED) INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

Comparative year information Year ended 31 August 2023	Notes	Unrestricted	Restricted funds: Endowment		Total	
		funds	General	Fixed asset	funds	2023
		£	£	£	£	
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>						
Donations and capital grants	4	-	-	59,759	-	59,759
Charitable activities:						
- Funding for educational operations	5	18,243	7,780,347	-	-	7,798,590
Other trading activities	6	395,054	-	-	-	395,054
Investments	7	26,714	-	-	-	26,714
<b>Total</b>		440,011	7,780,347	59,759	-	8,280,117
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
Raising funds	8	-	5,473	-	-	5,473
Charitable activities:						
- Educational operations	9	-	7,592,860	403,774	-	7,996,634
<b>Total</b>	8	-	7,598,333	403,774	-	8,002,107
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>		440,011	182,014	(344,015)	-	278,010
Transfers between funds	20	-	(421,280)	421,280	-	-
<b>Other recognised gains/(losses)</b>						
Actuarial gains on defined benefit pension schemes	22	-	111,000	-	-	111,000
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		440,011	(128,266)	77,265	-	389,010
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>						
Total funds brought forward		1,067,821	892,000	12,037,440	1,189,991	15,187,252
Total funds carried forward		1,507,832	763,734	12,114,705	1,189,991	15,576,262

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 AUGUST 2024

	Notes	2024		2023	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Intangible assets	14		8,766		11,779
Tangible assets	13		11,885,586		12,114,705
Investments	15		1,412,726		1,258,151
			<u>13,307,078</u>		<u>13,384,635</u>
<b>Current assets</b>					
Stock	16		8,306		7,218
Debtors	17		314,482		441,788
Cash at bank and in hand			3,127,043		2,770,684
			<u>3,449,831</u>		<u>3,219,690</u>
<b>Current liabilities</b>					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	18		(692,726)		(1,028,063)
<b>Net current assets</b>			<u>2,757,105</u>		<u>2,191,627</u>
<b>Net assets excluding pension asset</b>			<u>16,064,183</u>		<u>15,576,262</u>
Defined benefit pension scheme asset	22		-		-
<b>Total net assets</b>			<u><u>16,064,183</u></u>		<u><u>15,576,262</u></u>
<b>Funds of the academy trust:</b>					
<b>Restricted funds</b>	20				
- Fixed asset funds			11,885,586		12,114,705
- Restricted income funds			787,488		763,734
- Endowment funds			1,189,991		1,189,991
<b>Total restricted funds</b>			<u>13,863,065</u>		<u>14,068,430</u>
<b>Unrestricted income funds</b>	20		<u>2,201,118</u>		<u>1,507,832</u>
<b>Total funds</b>			<u><u>16,064,183</u></u>		<u><u>15,576,262</u></u>

The accounts on pages 24 to 50 were approved by the trustees and authorised for issue on 20 December 2024 and are signed on their behalf by:



Heidi Mottram 20 Dec 2024 12:49:42 GMT (UTC +0)

H Mottram CBE

Chair

Company registration number 06268570 (England and Wales)

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

	Notes	2024 £	£	2023 £	£
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>					
Net cash provided by operating activities	23		704,581		1,043,097
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>					
Dividends, interest and rents from investments		(109,757)		22,939	
Capital grants from DfE Group		21,032		59,759	
Purchase of intangible fixed assets		(937)		(10,623)	
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(238,068)		(486,129)	
Purchase of investments		(20,492)		(13,955)	
Proceeds from sale of tangible fixed assets		-		6,772	
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>			<b>(348,222)</b>		<b>(421,237)</b>
<b>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period</b>			<b>356,359</b>		<b>621,860</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year			2,770,684		2,148,824
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year</b>			<b>3,127,043</b>		<b>2,770,684</b>

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

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#### 1 Accounting policies

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

##### 1.1 Basis of preparation

The accounts of the academy trust, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared under the historical cost convention in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard Applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Academies Accounts Direction 2023 to 2024 issued by ESFA, the Charities Act 2011 and the Companies Act 2006.

These financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional currency of the entity.

##### 1.2 Going concern

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

##### 1.3 Basis of consolidation

The 31 August 2023 financial statements prepared were consolidated financial statements which included the trading company Castle View Community and Fitness Centre Limited.

During 2024, the activity of the subsidiary company has been transferred to other parties in preparation for the company being liquidated. As a result, the results of the subsidiary for the 2024 financial statements are not material to the results of the group.

The academy trust has therefore taken advantage of the exemption from preparing consolidated financial statements contained in Section 402 of the Companies Act 2006 on the basis that the results of its subsidiary undertaking are not material to the results of the group.

##### 1.4 Income

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

###### Grants

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

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

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

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

#### 1 Accounting policies

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##### Sponsorship income

Sponsorship income which amounts to a donation is recognised in the statement of financial activities in the period in which it is receivable (where there are no performance-related conditions), where the receipt is probable and it can be measured reliably.

##### Donations

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

##### Other income

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

##### Donated goods, facilities and services

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

##### Donated fixed assets

Donated fixed assets are measured at fair value unless it is impractical to measure this reliably, in which case the cost of the item to the donor is used. The gain is recognised as income from donations and a corresponding amount is included in the appropriate fixed asset category and depreciated over the useful economic life in accordance with the academy trust's accounting policies.

##### Investment income

Interest receivable is included in the statement of financial activities on an accrual basis.

#### 1.5 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 are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

All resources expended are inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

##### Expenditure on raising funds

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

##### Charitable activities

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

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

#### 1 Accounting policies (Continued)

##### 1.6 Intangible fixed assets and amortisation

Intangible assets costing £500 or more are capitalised and recognised when future economic benefits are probable and the cost or value of the asset can be measured reliably. Intangible assets are initially recognised at cost and are subsequently measured at cost net of amortisation and any provision for impairment.

Amortisation is provided on intangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset on a straight-line basis over its expected useful life, as follows:

- Software - 3 years

##### 1.7 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

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 that require 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, at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset on a straight-line basis over its expected useful life, as follows:

Long term leasehold property	50 years straight line for property and 125 years straight line for land
Computer equipment	3 years straight line
Fixtures and equipment	5 years straight line
Motor vehicles	4 years straight line

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 Liabilities

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

##### 1.9 Leased assets

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

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

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#### 1 Accounting policies

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##### 1.10 Investments

The academy holds an investment portfolio to invest part of its endowment funds, which are managed in line with the academy Investment Policy. The investment objective of endowment funds is to achieve an absolute rate of return deemed achievable in the market place and sufficient to fulfill the charitable objectives of the endowment, taking into account risk and any requirements to preserve capital.

Non-current investments are held on the balance sheet at fair value. Fair value gains and losses are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activity.

The academy trust's shareholding in the wholly owned subsidiary, Castle View Community and Fitness Centre Limited, is included in the balance sheet at the cost of the share capital owned less any impairment.

##### 1.11 Financial instruments

The academy trust only holds basic financial instruments as defined in FRS 102. The financial assets and financial liabilities of the academy trust and their measurement basis are as follows.

###### Financial assets

Trade and other debtors are basic financial instruments and are debt instruments measured at amortised cost. Prepayments are not financial instruments.

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

###### Financial liabilities

Trade creditors, accruals and other creditors are financial instruments, and are measured at amortised cost. 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 Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Net realisable value is based on estimated selling price less further costs to completion and disposal. Provision is made for obsolete and slow moving stock.

##### 1.13 Taxation

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

##### 1.14 Pensions benefits

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

The TPS is an unfunded scheme and contributions are calculated to spread the cost of pensions over employees' working lives with the academy trust in such a way that the pension cost is a substantially level percentage of current and future pensionable payroll. The contributions are determined by the Government Actuary based on quadrennial valuations using a prospective unit credit method. The 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 are recognised in the period to which they relate.

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

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### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

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

#### 1.15 Fund accounting

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

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

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

### 2 Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement

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

#### Critical accounting estimates and assumptions

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

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

### 2 Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgement

(Continued)

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 22, will impact on 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 2024. 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. The UK corporate bond yields at 31 August 2024 are at their highest levels for many years resulting in higher accounting discount rates at the year end. This places a significantly lower value on the pension obligations compared to last year and will be one of the main reasons a net asset has been reported. We have ensured that our assumptions are appropriate for the academy trust and the valuation has been based on the following estimates:

- There is a minimum funding requirement in relation to LGPS
- There is the ability to recover a surplus through the ability to reduce future contributions (not refund)
- In calculating the surplus, the present value of current and past service costs is offset against the future contributions over the future period
- The present values in the above calculations are calculated using an annuity representing participation into perpetuity.

There is no known intention to exit the LGPS and therefore the economic benefit of a refund would be highly unlikely and on that basis recognition of an asset is considered inappropriate. We have however considered the economic benefit available to the Academy trust as a future contribution reduction and whether it is appropriate to recognise the net asset in full. Under FRS 102, a net asset restriction may apply as the prevailing view is that a minimum funding requirement for future service exists in the LGPS. We requested our actuaries consider the impact of the minimum funding requirement on the asset ceiling and as a result we have not restricted the asset based upon an asset restriction calculation. We consider this to be appropriate and a more accurate reflection of the pension positions as at the 31 August 2024.

#### Critical areas of judgement

Accounting estimates and assumptions are made concerning the future and, by their nature, will rarely equal the related actual outcome. The key assumptions and other sources of estimation uncertainty that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are as follows:

#### Assessing indicator of impairment

In assessing whether there have been any indicators of impairment of assets the directors have considered both external and internal sources of information such as market conditions, counterparty credit ratings and experience of recoverability. There have been no indicators of impairment identified during the current financial year.

### 3 General Annual Grant (GAG)

Under the funding agreement with the Secretary of State, the academy trust was subject to limits at 31 August 2024 on the amount of GAG that could be carried forward from one year to the next. An amount equal to 12% of GAG could be carried forward, of which up to 2% could be used for general recurrent purposes, with any balance being available for premises/capital purposes.

The academy trust has not exceeded these limits during the year ended 31 August 2024.

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

#### 4 Donations and capital grants

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Private sponsorship	-	43,482	43,482	-
Capital grants	-	21,032	21,032	59,759
	-	64,514	64,514	59,759

#### 5 Funding for the academy trust's educational operations

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<b>DfE/ESFA grants</b>				
General annual grant (GAG)	-	6,923,572	6,923,572	6,398,253
Other DfE/ESFA grants:				
- Pupil premium	-	510,784	510,784	461,625
- Supplementary grant	-	250,769	250,769	199,926
- Others	-	229,515	229,515	194,085
	-	7,914,640	7,914,640	7,253,889
<b>Other government grants</b>				
Local authority grants	-	399,910	399,910	407,053
<b>COVID-19 additional funding</b>				
<b>DfE/ESFA</b>				
Other DfE/ESFA COVID-19 funding	-	125,339	125,339	119,405
<b>Other incoming resources</b>	-	-	-	18,243
<b>Total funding</b>	-	8,439,889	8,439,889	7,798,590

#### 6 Other trading activities

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Hire of facilities	69,339	-	69,339	63,491
Catering income	355,674	-	355,674	329,516
Other income	100,621	-	100,621	2,047
	525,634	-	525,634	395,054

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

### 7 Investment income

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Short term deposits	24,326	-	24,326	26,714

### 8 Expenditure

	Staff costs £	Non-pay expenditure		Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
		Premises £	Other £		
Expenditure on raising funds					
- Direct costs	-	-	4,067	4,067	5,473
Academy's educational operations					
- Direct costs	5,224,462	-	710,012	5,934,474	5,252,656
- Allocated support costs	1,103,047	1,137,865	522,264	2,763,176	2,743,978
	<u>6,327,509</u>	<u>1,137,865</u>	<u>1,236,343</u>	<u>8,701,717</u>	<u>8,002,107</u>

#### Net income/(expenditure) for the year includes:

	2024 £	2023 £
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	465,398	408,866
Loss/(gain) on disposal of fixed assets	1,789	(6,772)
Amortisation of intangible fixed assets	3,950	1,680
Fees payable to auditor for:		
- Audit	17,500	16,000
- Other services	3,500	3,175
- Non audit services	-	500
Net interest on defined benefit pension liability	(83,000)	(25,000)

### 9 Charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<b>Direct costs</b>				
Educational operations	-	5,934,474	5,934,474	5,252,656
<b>Support costs</b>				
Educational operations	3,949	2,759,227	2,763,176	2,743,978
	<u>3,949</u>	<u>8,693,701</u>	<u>8,697,650</u>	<u>7,996,634</u>
			<b>2024</b> £	<b>2023</b> £

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

### 9 Charitable activities (Continued)

#### Analysis of support costs

Support staff costs	1,115,255	1,029,108
Depreciation and amortisation	471,137	403,774
Premises costs	666,728	900,774
Legal costs	30,985	28,874
Other support costs	460,071	367,198
Governance costs	19,000	14,250
	<u>2,763,176</u>	<u>2,743,978</u>

### 10 Staff

#### Staff costs and employee benefits

Staff costs during the year were:

	2024 £	2023 £
Wages and salaries	4,674,089	4,126,071
Social security costs	482,475	419,447
Pension costs	1,062,862	965,318
Staff costs - employees	<u>6,219,426</u>	<u>5,510,836</u>
Agency staff costs	90,426	83,778
Staff restructuring costs	17,657	-
	<u>6,327,509</u>	<u>5,594,614</u>
Staff development and other staff costs	38,447	40,075
	<u>6,365,956</u>	<u>5,634,689</u>

Staff restructuring costs comprise:

Redundancy payments	<u>17,657</u>	<u>-</u>
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#### Staff numbers

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

	2024 Number	2023 Number
Teachers	62	58
Administration and support	73	71
Management	8	9
	<u>143</u>	<u>138</u>

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

### 10 Staff

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#### Higher paid staff

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

	2024 Number	2023 Number
£60,001 - £70,000	9	4
£70,001 - £80,000	4	2
£80,001 - £90,000	-	1
£90,001 - £100,000	1	-
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#### Key management personnel

The key management personnel of the academy trust comprise the trustees and the senior management team as listed on page 1. The total amount of key management personnel benefits (including employer pension) received by key management personnel for their services to the academy trust was £252,000 (2023: £223,000).

### 11 Trustees' remuneration and expenses

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

The value of trustees' remuneration and other benefits was as follows:

Janet Bridges (chief executive officer (resigned 31 August 2024):

- Remuneration £35,000 - £40,000 (2023: £35,000-£40,000)
- Employer's pension contributions £nil (2023: £Nil)

Joanne Owens (principal):

- Remuneration £95,000 - £100,000 (2023: £85,000-£90,000)
- Employer's pension contributions £25,000 - £30,000 (2023: £20,000-£25,000)

During the year, travel and subsistence payments totalling £123 (2023: £51) were reimbursed or paid directly to 1 trustees (2023: 1 trustees).

Other related party transactions involving the trustees are set out within the related parties note.

### 12 Trustees' and officers' insurance

In accordance with normal commercial practice, the academy trust has purchased insurance to protect trustees and officers from claims arising from negligent acts, errors or omissions occurring whilst on academy trust business. The insurance provides cover up to £10,000,000 on any one claim and the cost for the year ended 31 August 2024 was £28,007 (2023: £25,413). The cost of this insurance is included in the total insurance cost.

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

### 13 Tangible fixed assets

	Long term leasehold property	Computer equipment	Fixtures and equipment	Motor vehicles	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Cost</b>					
At 1 September 2023	16,089,395	2,049,023	1,566,989	51,730	19,757,137
Additions	23,619	123,232	91,217	-	238,068
Disposals	-	(42,704)	(23,270)	-	(65,974)
At 31 August 2024	16,113,014	2,129,551	1,634,936	51,730	19,929,231
<b>Depreciation</b>					
At 1 September 2023	4,286,405	1,935,717	1,368,580	51,730	7,642,432
On disposals	-	(42,704)	(21,481)	-	(64,185)
Charge for the year	327,491	85,833	52,074	-	465,398
At 31 August 2024	4,613,896	1,978,846	1,399,173	51,730	8,043,645
<b>Net book value</b>					
At 31 August 2024	11,499,118	150,705	235,763	-	11,885,586
At 31 August 2023	11,802,990	113,306	198,409	-	12,114,705

### 14 Intangible fixed assets

	Computer software
	£
<b>Cost</b>	
At 1 September 2023	25,824
Additions	937
At 31 August 2024	26,761
<b>Amortisation</b>	
At 1 September 2023	14,045
Charge for year	3,950
At 31 August 2024	17,995
<b>Carrying amount</b>	
At 31 August 2024	8,766
At 31 August 2023	11,779

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

### 15 Fixed asset investments

	Shares £	Shares in group undertakings £	Total £
<b>Market value</b>			
At 1 September 2023	1,255,422	2,729	1,258,151
Acquisitions at cost	20,492	-	20,492
Change in value in the year	134,083	-	134,083
	<u>1,409,997</u>	<u>2,729</u>	<u>1,412,726</u>
<b>Historical cost:</b>			
At 31 August 2024	1,269,040	2,729	1,271,769
	<u>1,336,771</u>	<u>2,729</u>	<u>1,339,500</u>
At 31 August 2023	1,336,771	2,729	1,339,500
	<u>1,336,771</u>	<u>2,729</u>	<u>1,339,500</u>

The Academy Trust owns 100% of the ordinary shares of Castle View Community and Fitness Centre Limited, a company incorporated in England and Wales. The principal activity of the company is operation of sports and leisure facilities which are available for the use of the Academy Trust and the local community. During 2024, the activity of the subsidiary company has been transferred to other parties in preparation for the company being liquidated. As a result, the results of the subsidiary for the 2024 financial statements are not material to the results of the group.

At the year end, the following investments represented more than 5% of the total value of the investment portfolio:

ISHARES CORE S&P 500 UCITS ETF USD- £170,040 (2023 - £142,165).  
BLACKROCK FM LTD EUROPEAN DYNAMIC FD INC- £70,172 (2023: £61,932).  
FIDELITY UCITS ICAV US QUALITY INCOME UCITS ETF INC USD - £78,068 (2023 - £14,924)

### 16 Stock

	2024 £	2023 £
School uniform	8,306	7,218
	<u>8,306</u>	<u>7,218</u>

### 17 Debtors

	2024 £	2023 £
Trade debtors	1,292	1,690
Amounts owed by group undertakings	-	16,943
VAT recoverable	97,438	152,248
Other debtors	3,807	4,271
Prepayments and accrued income	211,945	266,636
	<u>314,482</u>	<u>441,788</u>

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

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

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	£	£
Trade creditors	338,060	693,335
Corporation tax	23,137	23,137
Other creditors	158,445	137,029
Accruals and deferred income	173,084	174,562
	<u>692,726</u>	<u>1,028,063</u>

### 19 Deferred income

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	£	£
Deferred income is included within:		
Creditors due within one year	<u>39,872</u>	<u>30,344</u>
Deferred income at 1 September 2023	30,344	39,970
Released from previous years	(30,344)	(39,970)
Resources deferred in the year	<u>39,872</u>	<u>30,344</u>
Deferred income at 31 August 2024	<u>39,872</u>	<u>30,344</u>

Deferred income in the Trust relates to grants received for 2024-25.

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

#### 20 Funds

	Balance at 1 September 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains, losses and transfers £	Balance at 31 August 2024 £
<b>Restricted general funds</b>					
General Annual Grant (GAG)	303,808	6,923,572	(6,222,855)	(217,037)	787,488
Pupil premium	-	510,784	(510,784)	-	-
Other DfE/ESFA COVID-19 funding	-	125,339	(125,339)	-	-
Other DfE/ESFA grants	282,926	480,284	(763,210)	-	-
Other government grants	177,000	399,910	(576,910)	-	-
Other restricted funds	-	43,482	(43,482)	-	-
Pension reserve	-	-	12,000	(12,000)	-
	<u>763,734</u>	<u>8,483,371</u>	<u>(8,230,580)</u>	<u>(229,037)</u>	<u>787,488</u>
<b>Restricted fixed asset funds</b>					
Inherited on conversion	11,511,161	-	(443,911)	217,037	11,284,287
DfE group capital grants	141,439	21,032	(5,457)	-	157,014
Private sector capital sponsorship	462,105	-	(17,820)	-	444,285
	<u>12,114,705</u>	<u>21,032</u>	<u>(467,188)</u>	<u>217,037</u>	<u>11,885,586</u>
Restricted endowment fund	<u>1,189,991</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,189,991</u>
<b>Total restricted funds</b>	<u>14,068,430</u>	<u>8,504,403</u>	<u>(8,697,768)</u>	<u>(12,000)</u>	<u>13,863,065</u>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
General funds	<u>1,507,832</u>	<u>697,235</u>	<u>(3,949)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,201,118</u>
<b>Total funds</b>	<u>15,576,262</u>	<u>9,201,638</u>	<u>(8,701,717)</u>	<u>(12,000)</u>	<u>16,064,183</u>

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

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### 20 Funds

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

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

A start up grant was received from the ESFA as a result of the conversion to academy status. The full grant was allocated.

Other DfE/ESFA grants include teachers pay and pension grants, pupil premium and other DfE/ESFA grants.

Other government grants comprise funding received from the Local Authority.

The costs and income associated with the defined benefit pension scheme have been recorded in the restricted fund. Staff costs are paid from this fund, including contributions to Local Government Pension Scheme ('LGPS') and the pension liability has therefore been aligned with these funds.

The inherited fixed asset fund reflects the fixed assets acquired from the Local Authority on conversion to academy status. Depreciation on these assets is charged against this fund.

DfE/ESFA capital grants received in year consist of capital grants received in the year which have been received for expenditure on acquisition and maintenance of fixed assets.

The transfer from the Local Authority reflects the fixed assets, the pension deficit, the surplus GAG and any surplus school funds acquired on conversion

Unrestricted funds can be used for any purpose at the discretion of the academy trust.

Endowment funds are funds invested from original deed of gift and the income from these funds is applied to the relevant restricted or unrestricted income funds.

The transfer in the year represents fixed assets financed via GAG.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

### 20 Funds

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

	Balance at 1 September 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Gains, losses and transfers £	Balance at 31 August 2023 £
<b>Restricted general funds</b>					
General Annual Grant (GAG)	639,000	6,398,253	(6,312,165)	(421,280)	303,808
Pupil premium	-	461,625	(461,625)	-	-
Other DfE/ESFA COVID-19 funding	-	119,405	(119,405)	-	-
Other DfE/ESFA grants	83,000	394,011	(194,085)	-	282,926
Other government grants	170,000	407,053	(400,053)	-	177,000
Pension reserve	-	-	(111,000)	111,000	-
	<u>892,000</u>	<u>7,780,347</u>	<u>(7,598,333)</u>	<u>(310,280)</u>	<u>763,734</u>
<b>Restricted fixed asset funds</b>					
Inherited on conversion	11,409,846	-	(319,965)	421,280	11,511,161
DfE group capital grants	144,587	59,759	(62,907)	-	141,439
Private sector capital sponsorship	483,007	-	(20,902)	-	462,105
	<u>12,037,440</u>	<u>59,759</u>	<u>(403,774)</u>	<u>421,280</u>	<u>12,114,705</u>
Restricted endowment fund	<u>1,189,991</u>	-	-	-	<u>1,189,991</u>
<b>Total restricted funds</b>	<u>14,119,431</u>	<u>7,840,106</u>	<u>(8,002,107)</u>	<u>111,000</u>	<u>14,068,430</u>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>					
General funds	<u>1,067,821</u>	<u>440,011</u>	-	-	<u>1,507,832</u>
<b>Total funds</b>	<u>15,187,252</u>	<u>8,280,117</u>	<u>(8,002,107)</u>	<u>111,000</u>	<u>15,576,262</u>

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

#### 21 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted funds: General      Fixed asset £                      £		Endowment Funds £	Total Funds £
<b>Fund balances at 31 August 2024 are represented by:</b>					
Intangible fixed assets	8,766	-	-	-	8,766
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	11,885,586	-	11,885,586
Fixed asset investments	222,735	-	-	1,189,991	1,412,726
Current assets	2,662,343	787,488	-	-	3,449,831
Current liabilities	(692,726)	-	-	-	(692,726)
<b>Total net assets</b>	<u>2,201,118</u>	<u>787,488</u>	<u>11,885,586</u>	<u>1,189,991</u>	<u>16,064,183</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted funds: General      Fixed asset £                      £		Endowment Funds £	Total Funds £
<b>Fund balances at 31 August 2023 are represented by:</b>					
Intangible fixed assets	11,779	-	-	-	11,779
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	12,114,705	-	12,114,705
Fixed asset investments	68,160	-	-	1,189,991	1,258,151
Current assets	2,455,956	763,734	-	-	3,219,690
Current liabilities	(1,028,063)	-	-	-	(1,028,063)
<b>Total net assets</b>	<u>1,507,832</u>	<u>763,734</u>	<u>12,114,705</u>	<u>1,189,991</u>	<u>15,576,262</u>

#### 22 Pension and similar obligations

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

The latest actuarial valuation of the TPS related to the period ended 31 March 2020, and that of the LGPS related to the period ended 31 March 2022.

Contributions amounting to £123,171 were payable to the schemes at 31 August 2024 (2023: £100,891) and are included within creditors.

##### Teachers' Pension Scheme

###### Introduction

The Teachers' Pension Scheme (TPS) is a statutory, contributory, defined benefit scheme, governed by the Teachers' Pension Scheme Regulations 2014. Membership is automatic for teachers in academy trusts. 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.

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

### 22 Pension and similar obligations

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#### 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 2023 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 is 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 will be implemented from 1 April 2024. The next valuation result is due to be implemented from 1 April 2028.

The employer's pension costs paid to the TPS in the period amounted to £826,862(2023: £683,318).

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

Under the definitions set out in FRS 102, the TPS is an unfunded multi-employer pension scheme. The academy trust is unable to identify its share of the underlying assets and liabilities of the plan. Accordingly, the academy trust has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS 102 and has accounted for its contributions to the scheme as if it were a defined contribution scheme. The academy trust has set out above the information available on the scheme.

#### Local Government Pension Scheme

The LGPS is a funded defined benefit pension scheme, with the assets held in separate trustee-administered funds. The total contributions are as noted below. The agreed contribution rates for future years are 12.1% for employers and 5.5 to 12.5% for employees.

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

Total contributions made	2024 £	2023 £
Employer's contributions	165,000	146,000
Employees' contributions	84,000	65,000
Total contributions	<u>249,000</u>	<u>211,000</u>

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

### 22 Pension and similar obligations

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Principal actuarial assumptions	2024 %	2023 %
Rate of increase in salaries	4.0	4.1
Rate of increase for pensions in payment/inflation	2.5	2.6
Discount rate for scheme liabilities	4.9	5.1
Inflation assumption (CPI)	2.5	2.6

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

	2024 Years	2023 Years
Retiring today		
- Males	20.8	21.0
- Females	24.0	24.1
Retiring in 20 years		
- Males	21.7	22.2
- Females	25.1	25.5

#### Sensitivity analysis

Scheme liabilities would have been affected by changes in assumptions as follows:

	2024	2023
Discount rate + 0.1%	-88,000	-79,000
Discount rate - 0.1%	+88,000	+79,000
Mortality assumption + 1 year	-116,000	-100,000
Mortality assumption - 1 year	+116,000	+100,000
CPI rate + 0.1%	+79,000	+71,000
CPI rate - 0.1%	-79,000	-71,000

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

### 22 Pension and similar obligations

(Continued)

#### The academy trust's share of the assets in the scheme

	2024 Fair value £	2023 Fair value £
Equities	3,192,000	2,930,000
Government bonds	76,000	74,000
Corporate bonds	1,185,000	1,075,000
Multi Asset Credit	287,000	262,000
Property	663,000	586,000
Other assets	968,000	763,000
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Total market value of assets	6,371,000	5,690,000
Restriction on scheme assets	(1,749,000)	(1,539,000)
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Net assets recognised	4,622,000	4,151,000
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The actual return on scheme assets was £538,000 (2023: £(1,342,000)).

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

	2024 £	2023 £
Current service cost	236,000	282,000
Interest income	(294,000)	(223,000)
Interest cost	211,000	198,000
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Total amount recognised	153,000	257,000
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The net gain recognised on scheme assets has been restricted because the full pension surplus is not expected to be recovered through refunds or reduced contributions in the future.

#### Changes in the present value of defined benefit obligations

	2024 £
At 1 September 2023	4,151,000
Current service cost	236,000
Interest cost	211,000
Employee contributions	84,000
Actuarial loss/(gain)	46,000
Benefits paid	(106,000)
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At 31 August 2024	4,622,000
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# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

### 22 Pension and similar obligations

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

	2024 £
At 1 September 2023	5,690,000
Interest income	294,000
Actuarial (gain)/loss	244,000
Employer contributions	165,000
Employee contributions	84,000
Benefits paid	(106,000)
At 31 August 2024	6,371,000
Restriction on scheme assets	(1,749,000)
Net assets recognised	4,622,000

### 23 Reconciliation of net income to net cash flow from operating activities

	2024 £	2023 £
Net income for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial activities)	499,921	278,010
Adjusted for:		
Capital grants from DfE and other capital income	(21,032)	(59,759)
Investment income receivable	7 (24,326)	(26,714)
Defined benefit pension costs less contributions payable	22 71,000	136,000
Defined benefit pension scheme finance income	22 (83,000)	(25,000)
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	465,398	408,866
Amortisation of intangible fixed assets	14 3,950	1,680
(Loss)/profit on disposal of fixed assets	1,789	(6,772)
(Increase)/decrease in stocks	(1,088)	547
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	127,306	(144,249)
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(335,337)	480,488
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>	<b>704,581</b>	<b>1,043,097</b>

### 24 Analysis of changes in net funds

	1 September 2023 £	Cash flows £	31 August 2024 £
Cash	2,770,684	356,359	3,127,043

# CASTLE VIEW ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

#### 25 Long-term commitments

##### Operating leases

At 31 August 2024 the total of the academy trust's future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases was:

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	£	£
Amounts due within one year	24,706	28,690
Amounts due in two and five years	42,475	48,181
	<u>67,181</u>	<u>76,871</u>

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

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### 26 Related party transactions

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

#### **Sunderland City Council (and subsidiary undertakings)**

(Sunderland City Council is an original sponsor of the Academy Trust)

During the year, the Group purchased goods and services totalling £361,921 (2023 - £489,702).

In entering into the transaction the academy trust has complied with the requirements of the Academy Trust Handbook.

At the balance sheet date the amount due to Sunderland City Council (and subsidiary undertakings) was £21,047 (2023 - £71,264).

#### **Northumbrian Water Plc**

(Northumbrian Water Plc is an original sponsor of the Academy Trust)

During the year, the Group purchased goods and services totalling £25,373 (2023 - £26,371).

In entering into the transaction the academy trust has complied with the requirements of the Academy Trust Handbook.

At the balance sheet date the amount due to Northumbrian Water Plc was £nil (2023 - £nil).

#### **ESH Group**

(Trustee is CEO of ESH Group)

During the year, the Group purchased goods and services totalling £nil (2023 - £10,393).

In entering into the transaction the academy trust has complied with the requirements of the Academy Trust Handbook.

At the balance sheet date the amount due to ESH Group was £nil (2023 - £10,393).

#### **Schools North East**

(Common Trustee)

During the year, the Group purchased goods and services totalling £1,130 (2023 - £1,190).

In entering into the transaction the academy trust has complied with the requirements of the Academy Trust Handbook.

At the balance sheet date the amount due to Schools North East was £nil (2023 - £nil).

### 27 Post balance sheet events

The subsidiary undertaking, Castle View Community and Fitness Centre Limited, entered into voluntary liquidation in September 2024.

### 28 Members' liability

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