REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2008

Company Registration No: 6336693

Charity Registration No: 1122655

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Governors (Trustees)		Appointed	Resigned
Mr P Murray Ms J Hodgetts Mr I Cleland Mr A Price Mr I Brough Councillor G S Sidhu Mr B Seymour Mr D Seddon Councillor D Cooper	Chair & Sponsor Chair of Resources Committee Vice-Chair & Sponsor Sponsor Governor Vice-Chair of Resources Committee Sponsor Governor Sponsor Governor LA Governor Sponsor Governor Sponsor Governor Sponsor Governor LA Governor	7 August 2007 4 September 2007 4 September 2007 16 October 2007 4 September 2007 2 October 2007 1 November 2007 16 October 2007 2 October 2007	8 September 2008
Mrs N Hussain Mr A Savell-Boss Mr J Hall Mr S Wall Sir M Grundy	Parent Governor Parent Governor Parent Governor Member of Resources Committee Parent Governor Executive Principal Member of Resources Committee	26 November 2007 15 November 2007 15 November 2007 15 November 2007 7 August 2007	
Mrs J Murray Secretary	Sponsor Governor	7 August 2007 7 August 2007	8 December 2007
Mr I Foyle	Company Secretary	7 August 2007	
Senior managers Mrs Jane Evans Mr Mick Green Mr Stephen Rayner Mr Aron Whiles Mr Paul Clayton Mrs Balbir Sandhu Mr Bob Banks Mrs Jane Kellas	Associate Principal Shireland Principal George Salter Executive Vice Principal Vice-Principal Shireland Vice-Principal Shireland Vice-Principal George Salter Vice-Principal George Salter Director of Finance		
Registered Office	Waterloo Road Smethwick West Midlands B66 4ND		
Company Registration	No: 6336693		
Charity Registration No	o : 1122655		
Auditors	Clement Keys 39/40 Calthorpe Road Edgbaston Birmingham B15 1TS		

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS – continued

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REPORT OF THE GOVERNORS 31 August 2008

The governors present their report together with the financial statements of the charitable company for the period from incorporation, 7 August 2007, to 31 August 2008. This report has been prepared in accordance with Part VI of the Charities Act 1993.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies on pages 23 to 25 of the financial statements and comply with the charitable company's Memorandum and Articles of Association, the Companies Act 1985 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" as issued in March 2005 (SORP 2005).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Constitution

The Collegiate Academy Trust comprises two Academies; The George Salter Collegiate Academy ("GSCA") and Shireland Collegiate Academy ("SCA") constituted as one legal entity.

The Collegiate Academy Trust ("The Academy") is a company limited by guarantee with no share capital (registration no.6336693) and a registered charity (registration no. 1122655). It was incorporated on 7 August 2007 and registered as a charity on 6 February 2008. The Academy effectively commenced operations on 1 September 2007. The charitable company's memorandum and articles of association are the primary governing documents of the Academy. Members of the charitable company are nominated by either the Secretary of State for Children, Schools and Families, or by the main sponsors of the Academies, Ormiston Trust and Shireland Learning Limited ("SLL"). The articles of association require the members of the charitable company to appoint at least 14 trustees (known as the governors) to be responsible for the statutory and constitutional affairs of the charitable company and the management of both Academies. From the Governing Body of the Collegiate Academy Trust, two sub committees have been formed to act as the Local Governing Bodies for each of the Academies. The role of the Local Governing Body is to monitor the performance of its Academy and monitor the implementation of policies agreed by the Collegiate Academy Board. Each Local Governing Body is required to appoint 11 Governors.

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 he/she is a member, or within one year after he/she ceases to be a member, such amount as may be required, not exceeding £10, for the debts and liabilities contracted before he/she ceases to be a member.

Governors

The governors are directors of the charitable company for the purposes of the Companies Act 1985 and trustees for the purposes of charity legislation.

In this first year of operation, the governors were appointed following consultation with the local community and parents. The Collegiate Academy Governing Body constitution determines the need for; 7 sponsor governors, the Executive Principal, 2 LA governors and 4 family governors.

Each Local Governing Body is comprised of; 3 sponsor governors, the Executive Principal, 1 LA governor, 4 family governors and 2 staff representatives. The governing body membership of each Academy must have a majority of Governors from the Collegiate Board. The Trustees who were in office at 31 August 2008 and served throughout the year are those listed on page 1.

During the year under review the Trust held 4 meetings and 2 sub committee meetings to review the work of the subsidiary company. In addition, each local governing body met once.

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All Governors had the opportunity to attend 2 facilitated training events, led by Stone King, covering governors' responsibilities and Charity Law. Additional training was organised for identified governors regarding the exclusions and appeal panels. Further induction and training is planned when the Governing Body of each Academy is fully operational. Over the next year the governance model will be developed and relevant training on charity, educational, legal and financial matters will be provided

Responsibilities of the Governors

Company law requires the governors to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company at the end of the financial year and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the financial year. In preparing financial statements giving a true and fair view, the governors are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The governors are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the charitable company and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The governors are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charitable company's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of accounts may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

The governors confirm that so far as they are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware. They have taken all the steps that they ought to have taken as governors in order to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charitable company's auditors are aware of that information.

Organisational structure

The Collegiate Academy is based on two campuses, Shireland Collegiate Academy ("SCA") and George Salter Collegiate Academy ("GSCA"). These two campuses retained individual DCSF School status and are both 11-19 schools. The campuses operate under a single ethos and style of operation but support two very different local communities. During this first year of operation a management structure has been introduced to coordinate the work of both Academies. The structure consists of four levels, the Collegiate Governors, each individual Academy Governors, the Executive Leadership Team and the Senior Management Team of each Academy. The aim of this structure is to give clear management that allows the relevant responsibilities to be devolved and encourages involvement in decision making at all levels.

The Collegiate Governors are responsible for setting all policies, approving the annual budget and monitoring the Academies. They also take major decisions about the direction of the Academies, capital expenditure and Executive Team appointments and dismissals. Each Local Governing Body then has the responsibility to ensure the direction set by the Collegiate Governors is maintained and relevant monitoring systems are in place to ensure adherence.

The Executive Leadership Team consists of the Executive Principal, the Executive Vice-Principals, the Principals and Vice-Principals of each Academy along with the Director of Finance.

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These individuals have responsibility for the implementation of decisions made by the Collegiate Board in relation to any aspect of each Academy's management and organisation, but in particular in respect of the curriculum, financial management and the development of Extended Schools.

The Executive Leadership Team meet on a weekly basis to plan, deliver and evaluate the provision of the work of the trust. The two Senior Leadership Teams which operate within each Academy also meet weekly and ensure the work of the Executive Leadership Team is translated into the workings of each Academy, in particular organising staff, facilities and students. The Senior Management Team consists of 8 Curriculum Managers.

Subsidiary company

Shireland Collegiate Academy is the sole member of Shireland Learning Limited ("SLL"), a company incorporated in England (registration no. 6052021). In the audited accounts for the year to 31 March 2008, SLL achieved a profit of £72,093. SLL, within their accounts, has made provision for corporation tax, whilst awaiting confirmation of its treatment from HMR&C. In the 5 month period to 31 August 2008 the management accounts of SLL show a loss of £187,134; this is a result of the timing of invoicing and the company is budgeted to make a profit in the full year to 31 March 2009.

SLL is the sponsor of George Salter Academy and though no direct donations have been received, SLL has provided through gifts-in-kind via free consultancy, marketing and a reduction in ICT fees a total subsidy to both Academies totalling £95,525.

Further details regarding the subsidiary company are given in note 13 to the financial statements.

Risk management

The governors of the Collegiate Academy are responsible for the management of the risks faced by each Academy. Detailed consideration of risk, has been delegated to the Resources Committee. This year the governors have been assisted by an externally appointed Risk Assessment consultant and members of the Executive Leadership Team. Risks have been identified, assessed and controls put in place to minimise risk throughout the year. Specific emphasis has been placed on ensuring systems and procedures are in place and operational, with all risks clearly identified and tracked.

In addition to the main risk assessment, detailed risk assessment reports on all trading activities and on the relationship with SLL have been completed. The governors have been satisfied that risks are of a minimal nature and processes are in place to control the risk and report accordingly.

Procedures have been implemented to ensure the risk assessment documentation is clearly linked to the development planning of each Academy.

The key controls used by governors to inform this process, include:

- A clear governance structure;
- Detailed terms of reference for the Resources committee, with clear levels of financial delegation:
- Effective systems of internal financial control:
- A governor's induction process led by Stone King;
- Three year financial planning linked to the overall objectives of the Charity;
- Clear organisational structure with defined lines of reporting; and
- A detailed review of policies to ensure all relevant legislation is complied with; to include human resources, finance, health and safety, and student care.

Through the Risk Management process, the governors of the Collegiate Academy are satisfied that all major risks have been identified and steps taken to mitigate where necessary. Governors recognised that systems can only provide reasonable, but not absolute assurance that major risks have been adequately managed.

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Statement on the system of internal financial control

As governors we acknowledge that we have overall responsibility for ensuring that both Academies have effective and appropriate systems of control, financial and otherwise. We are also responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position and enable us to ensure the financial statements comply with both the Companies and Charity Acts. We also acknowledge responsibility for safeguarding the assets of both Academies and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities and to provide reasonable assurance that;

- Each Academy is operating efficiently and effectively;
- Its assets are safeguarded against unauthorised use or disposition;
- That proper records are maintained and financial information used within the Academy or for publication is reliable; and
- The Academy complies with relevant laws and regulations.

The Collegiate Academy's system of internal financial control is based on the framework set by the DCSF 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 Trustees;
- regular reviews by the governors and Resources committee of reports which indicate financial performance against the forecast;
- termly reports to each Academies Governing Body on use of resources linked to development plans;
- formal agreement of all major purchase plans, capital works and expenditure programmes as per the delegation limits agreed by Trustees;
- the setting of annual targets to measure financial and other performance;
- clearly defined Best Value and Tendering guidelines;
- clear delegation of authority, and segregation of duties; and
- identification and management of risks.

In addition, the governors have considered the guidance for directors of public listed companies contained within the Turnbull Report. They believe that although it is not mandatory for the Academy it should, as a publicly funded body, adopt these guidelines as best practice. Accordingly they have:

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

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The governors have considered the need for a specific internal audit function and have decided not to appoint an internal auditor. However, the governors have appointed Mr Ian Foyle, the company secretary, as the Responsible Officer ("RO"). The RO's role includes giving advice on financial matters and performing a range of checks on the Academy's financial systems. The RO reported, in accordance with guidance from the DCSF, to the governors on the operation of the systems of control and on the discharge of the governor's financial responsibilities in 2007/08.

These arrangements can provide only reasonable and not absolute assurance that assets are safeguarded, transactions are authorised and properly recorded, and that material errors or irregularities are either prevented or would be detected within a timely period.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objects, aims and objectives

The Collegiate Academy Trust's main objective is: "to advance, for the public benefit, education, by establishing, maintaining, carrying on, managing and developing, a broad curriculum and by providing facilities for recreational and other leisure time occupation for the community".

The Collegiate Academy has at its core, a mission to secure high performance and raise aspiration. The governors underpinning ethos within the Collegiate Academy is a belief in the potential of all learners and a commitment to provide the environment which unlocks that potential and develops the individual and collective self-esteem and confidence which is the pre-requisite of an enterprising culture. The governors have an absolute commitment to the Every Child Matters agenda, with both Academies fully committed to the characteristics of full-service Extended Schools.

The Collegiate Academy key aims have been to start the development of an innovative curriculum across both campuses which:

- developed key competences in an interactive context driven curriculum based on the RSA Opening Minds framework:
- started to grow an enterprise environment;
- offered a curriculum based not upon the more common model of multiple intelligences but based upon an emotional intelligence based model:
- provided just-in-time delivery to learners wherever they are in the world through the development of Shireland's Learning Gateway;
- provided a virtual extended school through taking the Gateway technology into all homes and places of
- offered language as a school improvement strategy, utilising the culturally and linguistically rich communities served by the Collegiate Academy and leading in the area on the National Languages Strateav:
- raises aspirations, recognising the importance of Arts in the development of individuals;
- supports individual, economic and community development through performing arts and links to creative industries; and
- supports schools in the Borough and nationally by extending the Gateway to provide access for all learners and encouraging the development of e-learning, for example in the establishment of a "virtual school" for Looked After Children.

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Strategies and activities

The Collegiate Academy Trust has focussed throughout the year on a number of specific developments which are integral to the delivery of the objects and the associated objectives. The commitment to the Every Child Matters agenda, and to the establishment of full-service Extended Schools at both Academies, has driven much of what has been achieved this year. Both Academies have undertaken the Ormiston ECM Quality Mark and both are expected to receive the Silver status. At both Academies discussions have taken place with community partners to identify need and then about the joint delivery to satisfy the identified need. The Community Boards are now in place at both Academies and are starting to shape our Extended School provision for the future.

The processes relating to Assessment, Recording and Reporting ("ARR") have also been a major focus throughout the year. The quality of data and the use of data has been an area of considerable work. The progress which has been made on the use of our Management Information System ("MIS"), the use of the

Gateway, the potential use of Business Intelligence systems and the on-going work with our staff has contributed to the developing good practice.

Equal opportunities policy

The governors recognise that equal opportunities should be an integral part of good practice within the workplace. Both Academies aim to establish equal opportunity in all areas of activity including creating a working environment in which the contribution and needs of all people are fully valued. The Academies share a single Equal Opportunities policy, which was reviewed and submitted to the DCSF, as part of the process for gaining Academy status.

Disabled persons

Lifts, ramps and disabled toilets are installed and door widths are adequate to enable wheelchair access to all the main areas of the Academy. The policy of the Academy is to support recruitment and retention of students and employees with disabilities. The Academy does this by adapting the physical environment, by making support resources available and through training and career development.

We have already commissioned a company of Architects to help us to develop campus master plans, the first of which has been produced for the Shireland campus. It is our intention to undertake the same process of consultation and deliberation at the George Salter campus. In the period of time preceding major capital investment, we are continuing to improve our facilities to ensure that we fulfil our obligations under the DDA framework.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Our achievements in our first year are extremely varied and extremely pleasing. Some of key achievements include:

Improvement in both Key stages in excess of the targets set:

- Key Stage 3 results show that at SCA in English, Fischer D was exceeded by 3 %(56%/59%) and at L6+ has exceeded Fischer D by 1 %(17%/18%). At GSCA we saw improvements at level 5+ in Mathematics (12%) and English (15%) and a continued steady improvement in Science: all three core subjects are now performing at Fischer D or above at both levels 5+ and 6+.
- At Key Stage 4 there has been a 6 % improvement at both Academies in A*-C including English and Mathematics. At SCA the rise is from 24% to 30%. This exceeds Fischer D (KS2-KS4) by 5% and is in line with Fischer B(KS3-KS4).

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• The post 16 results show a significant rise in levels of achievement across the collaborative. AS results have risen by 17%, and the A2 by 11%, whilst the number of entries has risen from 393 to 733.

Improvement on Attendance:

Attendance levels have moved to 91.4% from 90.5% at SCA and 91.2% at GSCA. The increased levels
of attendance are particularly pleasing when judged against the difficulties experienced by other local
schools.

Improvement on behaviour:

• The introduction of a revised behaviour management structure has seen the number of fixed term and permanent exclusions rise at SCA but reduce at GSCA.

Establishing strong community links:

• The Community Boards are already influencing the relationship with key local partners. A considerable amount of work has taken place at both Academies on the development of Family Portals which operate via the Learning Gateway. In September the Prime Minister announced the Universal Home Access Programme which will link students, schools and their families. The most deprived homes in the country will receive a device, connectivity and a context. Our Learning Gateway is one of the most advanced examples of such a "context" in the country.

Developing extended school agenda:

The provision across the core offerings at both Academies has matured throughout the last year. The
provision of support for students is outstandingly good, and there are pragmatic plans in place to
develop the other key strands.

Development of the RSA Opening Minds programme and other competency based curricula at both Academies has progressed well. The model is based on a hybrid of "best of breed" Primary practice and the competency based structure which we have piloted. Students will be provided with a wireless device and will be supported both at school and at home, via our Learning Gateway

As previously stated the Collegiate Academy Trust's main objective is: "to advance, for the public benefit, education by establishing, maintaining, carrying on, managing and developing, a broad curriculum and by providing facilities for recreational and other leisure time occupation for the community".

The most pleasing developments this year which have explicitly supported this objective are:

- Supporting the Schools Minister, Jim Knight, in the development of the framework to support the Universal Home Access programme;
- Developing Extended School Service Level agreements between key community partners and the Collegiate Academy Trust promise to deliver new forms of provision for our students and their families; and
- The discussions which have taken place with the Sandwell Leisure Trust have been inspiring to develop the Shireland campus. The representatives of the Trust deserve praise for their hard work and clear vision.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial report for the year

Most of the Collegiate Academies income is obtained from the DCSF in the form of recurrent grants, the use of which is restricted to particular purposes. The grants received from the DCSF during the year ended 31 August 2008 and the associated expenditure are shown as restricted funds in the statement of financial activities.

The Academies also receive grants for fixed assets from the DCSF and the Local Authority. In accordance with the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice, 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' (SORP 2005), 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.

During the year ended 31 August 2008, total expenditure of £17,741,610 was more than covered by recurrent grant funding from the DCSF together with other incoming resources. The excess of income over expenditure for the year (excluding restricted fixed asset funds and pension reserve) was £2,476,559. The fixed asset fund excess of income over expenditure for the year was £17,840,151. This includes £307,540 of committed capital expenditure to support the ICT infrastructure of SLL. The balance on the fixed asset fund will be used by both Academies to supplement the building and ICT of the existing sites, whilst awaiting the start of building programmes.

At 31 August 2008 the net book value of fixed assets was £18,255,777; movements in tangible fixed assets are shown in note 12 to the financial statements. The assets were used exclusively for providing education and the associated support services to the pupils of the Academy.

In the year, Shireland Collegiate Academy invested £193,330 into the ICT infra structure of SLL to allow the use of advance technology to be embedded across both academies.

The expenditure across both Academies allowed the leadership teams to embed the key objectives, and start the process of working collegiately.

This year has been about embedding practices and meeting the key curriculum objectives of the Collegiate Academy Trust. The key foci this year have been around the preparation of the two sites for development in the next two years and the retention of core services whilst limiting the amount of investment which will subsequently be replaced via the capital programme. One key area of tension is in relation to the ICT Managed Service and the ICT infrastructures at both Academies. Both Academies require further investment and the ELT (Executive Leadership Team) are currently finalising a submission to the Minister to facilitate the opt out of the LEP (Local Education Partnership) ICT Managed Service.

The expectation that the capital programme will commence in 2009, at least at Shireland, and ideally at both campuses has limited our investment in major capital programmes. Our capital investment at both campuses has been to support Post 16 developments, establish greater flexibility to support our Extended School Strategy, enable the use of our ICT Provision and enhance our facilities for our students' well-being. These areas are key elements of our Strategic Objectives.

Our ability to deliver our Expression of Interest is however severely hampered by the lack of major capital development at both campuses. Our prudent minor capital programme has maintained our momentum but requires a major investment in infrastructure as soon as possible if we are to compete with similar Academies serving similar communities.

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Reserves policy and financial position

Reserves policy

The Collegiate Governors have reviewed the reserve levels of the Academies in year. This review encompassed the nature of income and expenditure streams, the need to match income with commitments and the nature of reserves.

The Collegiate Governors have agreed to work towards holding in reserves at least 5% of the General Annual Grant funding for each Academy. This equates to £762,291 based on the current year's results. This is to ensure there is provision to provide a cushion to deal with unexpected emergencies such as urgent maintenance.

The Academies current level of free reserves (total funds less the amount held in fixed assets and restricted reserves) is £738,737.

Financial position

The Collegiate Academy Trust held balances at 31 August 2008 of £19,614,710, compromising; restricted fixed asset fund of £18,980,602, restricted general fund of £720,412 and (£86,304) of unrestricted funds, including a pension reserve of (£771,000). £851,624, of the restricted general fund and unrestricted funds are committed within the development process for the next accounting period.

Investment policy

The Collegiate Academy has entered into a service agreement with the LA to provide a treasury management service, this enables the cash position of both Academies to be maximised whilst ensuring the risk is minimal.

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

The key areas of focus for the next year for the Collegiate Academy Trust are as follows:

- Develop pedagogy including New Technologies;
- Raise Standards Pre 16 Achieve 50% 5+ A* C including English and Mathematics at Key Stage 4 in 2009:
- Raise Standards Post 16 Develop greater clarity of Commissioning/Quality Assurance for Post 16 provision;
- Raise Standards in KS3 Year 7 model to be developed for September 2009;
- Improve communication and co-ordination ELT & SLTs diaries onto Gateway Outlook, meeting structure review, joint groups etc;
- Development of Specialisms Develop an Arts Strategy across both Academies; and
- Extended School Plan refinement of Extended school plans from each Academy with specific reference to UHA and Reporting to Families.

The key focus areas for development at Shireland Collegiate Academy are as follows:

- Achieve 50% 5+ A* C including English and mathematics at Key Stage 4 in 2009;
- Increase standards in Key Stage 5:
- Further develop and revise the curriculum:
- Develop the New Year 7 model for implementation in September 2009; and
- Establish a collegiate strategy for the development of Arts as the main specialism.

The key focus areas for development at George Salter Collegiate Academy are as follows:

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- Develop student transition and curriculum progression Key Stage 2 to 3;
- Raise the educational attainment and achievement of all students:
- Ensure that the Academy is fully inclusive, ensuring that all additional needs are met through provision for gifted and talented students, those with SEN and through the work of the Centre of Inclusion;
- Further develop the pastoral system to ensure that all students succeed; and
- Develop a qualified, well structured and motivated workforce to meet the needs of students.

These priorities have been agreed both with our Board and with the Academy School Improvement Partner and form the "blueprint" for the individual Academy's Development Plans.

AUDITORS

The auditors, Clement Keys, were appointed as the first auditors during the period and will be proposed for reappointment in accordance with Section 385 of the Companies Act 1985.

The Report of the Governors was approved by the governors on 15 December 2008 and signed on their behalf by:

P Murray Chairman

REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF THE COLLEGIATE ACADEMY TRUST

We have audited the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2008 which are set out on pages 15 to 42 and which have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. 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 auditors' 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.

Respective responsibilities of governors and auditors

As described in the Statement of Governors' Responsibilities the charitable company's governors (who are also the directors of the company for company law purposes) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepting Accounting Practice).

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland).

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Governors' Annual Report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the charity has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding governors' remuneration and transactions with the charity are not disclosed.

We read other information contained in the Governors' Annual Report, and consider whether it is consistent with the audited financial statements. We consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements. Our responsibilities do not extend to any other information.

Basis of audit opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes an examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the governors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charitable company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatements, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

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Opinion

In our opinion:

- (a) the financial statements give a true and fair view, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of affairs of the Collegiate Academy Trust and the group's affairs, as at 31 August 2008, and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, in the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985;
- (b) the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Financial Reporting and Annual Accounts Requirements issued by the Department for Children, Schools and Families in respect of the relevant financial year;
- (c) proper accounting records have been kept by the Academy Trust throughout the financial year;
- (d) grants made by the Department for Children, Schools and Families have been applied for the purposes intended; and
- (e) the information given in the Report of the Governors is consistent with the financial statements.

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Chartered Accountants
Registered Auditors

15 December 2008

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES for the year ended 31 August 2008

			Restr	icted	
	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	General Funds £	Fixed Asset Funds £	2008 Total £
Incoming resources		~	~	~	~
Incoming resources from					
generated funds	0	000 070		10.000.100	10.070.070
Voluntary income Activities for generating funds	2 3	289,273 1,081,291	8,000	18,389,406	18,678,679 1,089,291
Commercial trading operations	13	987,690	-	-	987,690
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Investment income	4	135,957	-	-	135,957
Incoming resources from					
charitable activities					
Funding for the Academy's	_		.= =	77 400	.
educational operations	5	-	<u>17,089,504</u>	77,199	<u>17,166,703</u>
Total incoming resources		2,494,211	17,097,504	18,466,605	38,058,320
Resources expended			-		
Cost of generating funds					
Costs of generating voluntary					
income	6	525,950	-	30,284	556,234
Commercial trading operations	13	1,123,565	-	-	1,123,565
Charitable activities Academy's educational operations	7	79,000	14,715,675	572,793	15,367,468
Governance costs	8		670,966	23,377	694,343
Total resources expended		1,728,515	15,386,641	626,454	17,741,610
Net incoming resources		705.000	4 740 000	17.040.454	00.040.740
before transfers Gross transfers between funds		765,696 (150,000)	1,710,863	17,840,151	20,316,710
Gross transfers between funds		(150,000)	(990,451)	1,140,451	-
Net incoming resources					
before other recognised					
gains and losses		615,696	720,412	18,980,602	20,316,710
Other recognised gains and loss	06				
Actuarial losses on defined	03				
benefit pension schemes		(572,000)	-	-	(572,000)
Adjustment to opening deficit to FR	S17 basis	(130,000)	-	-	(130,000)
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Net movement in funds	17	(86,304)	720,412	18,980,602	19,614,710
Total funds brought forward		_	-	-	_
Funds carried forward at 31 August	2008	(86,304)	720,412	18,980,602	19,614,710
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CHARITABLE COMPANY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES for the year ended 31 August 2008

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restri General Funds £	Fixed Asset Funds	2008 Total £
Incoming resources Incoming resources from generated funds		_	_	_	_
Voluntary income Activities for generating funds	2 3	289,273 1,635,283	8,000	18,389,406	18,678,679 1,643,283
Investment income	4	135,957	-	-	135,957
Incoming resources from charitable activities Funding for the Academy's educational operations	5	_	17,089,504	77,199	<u>17,166,703</u>
Total incoming resources		2,060,513	17,097,504	18,466,605	37,624,622
Resources expended Cost of generating funds Costs of generating voluntary					
income Charitable activities	6	1,100,776	-	30,284	1,131,060
Academy's educational operations	7	79,000	14,715,675	572,793	15,367,468
Governance costs	8	-	670,966	23,377	694,343
Total resources expended		1,179,776	15,386,641	626,454	17,192,871
Net incoming resources before transfers Gross transfers between funds		880,737 (150,000)	1,710,863 (990,451)	17,840,151 1,140,451	20,431,751
Net incoming resources before other recognised gains and losses		730,737	720,412	18,980,602	20,431,751
Other recognised gains and losse Actuarial losses on defined benefit pension schemes Adjustment to opening deficit to FR		(572,000) (130,000)	- -	- -	(572,000) (130,000)
Net movement in funds	17	28,737	720,412	18,980,602	19,729,751
Total funds brought forward		-			
Funds carried forward at 31 August	2008	28,737	720,412	18,980,602	19,729,751

CONSOLIDATED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 August 2008

	Note	2008 £
Income General Annual Grant (GAG) DCSF capital grants Other DCSF grants Other Government grants Other income from LA	1	15,245,828 77,199 672,411 602,283 568,982
Private sponsorship and donations Gift Aid payment from subsidiary	2	18,678,679
Interest and other income receivable Other income Trading subsidiary income	4 3	135,957 1,089,291 987,690
Total income		38,058,320
Expenditure General Annual Grant (GAG) related expenditure Other DCSF grant expenditure Other grant expenditure Depreciation Other expenditure Trading subsidiary expenditure	1	14,142,016 516,020 728,605 626,454 604,950 1,123,565
Total expenditure		17,741,610
Excess of income over expenditure		20,316,710

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES for the year ended 31 August 2008

	Note	2008 £
Excess of income over expenditure Actuarial losses on defined benefit pension schemes Adjustment to opening deficit to FRS17 basis		20,316,710 (572,000) (130,000)
Total recognised gains for the year		19,614,710
Net movement to funds		
Restricted funds Unrestricted funds	17 17	19,701,014 (86,304)
		19,614,710

The income and expenditure account and statement of total recognised gains and losses are derived from the statement of financial activities on page 15 which, together with the notes to the financial statements on pages 26 to 42 provides full information on the movements during the year on all the funds of the Academy.

All of the Academy's activities are derived from continuing operations during the above financial period.

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET as at 31 August 2008

			2008
	Note	£	£
Fixed assets Tangible fixed assets	12	<u>18,255,777</u>	18,255,777
Current assets Stock Debtors Cash on short term deposit Cash at bank and in hand	14 15	43,908 678,702 2,390,000 <u>296,240</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	16	3,408,850 (1,278,917)	
Net current assets			2,129,933
Total assets less current liabilities excluding pension liability			20,385,710
Pension Scheme Liability	22		(771,000)
Net assets including pension liability			19,614,710
Funds Income funds Restricted funds	47	10,000,000	
Fixed asset fund General fund	17 17	18,980,602 <u>720,412</u>	
Unrestricted funds			19,701,014
General fund Trading subsidiary Pension reserve	17 17 17	820,571 (135,875) (771,000)	(86,304)
			19,614,710

The financial statements on pages 15 to 42 were approved by the Governors on 15 December 2008 and signed on their behalf by:

P Murray	
Chairman	

CHARITABLE COMPANY BALANCE SHEET as at 31 August 2008

		£	2008 £
	Note	Ĺ	L
Fixed assets Tangible fixed assets	12	<u>18,253,402</u>	18,253,402
Current assets Stock Debtors Cash on short term deposit Cash at bank and in hand	14 15	43,908 547,282 2,390,000 	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	16	3,208,158 (960,809)	
Net current assets			2,247,349
Total assets less current liabilities excluding pension liability			20,500,751
Pension Scheme Liability	22		(771,000)
Net assets including pension liability			19,729,751
Funds Income funds Restricted funds			
Fixed asset fund General fund	17 17	18,980,602 <u>712,412</u>	
Unrestricted funds			19,693,014
General fund Pension reserve	17 17	807,737 (771,000)	36,737
			19,729,751

CONSOLIDATED CASHFLOW STATEMENT for the year ended 31 August 2008

	3	2008 £
Operating activities	~	~
Receipts Recurrent grants received from the DCSF General Annual Grant (GAG) Other grants	15,245,828 -	
Other receipts from the DCSF Other receipts from Government Private sponsorship Other receipts	672,411 728,606 289,273 1,666,732	18,602,850
Payments Staff costs Other cash payments	10,393,580 <u>5,293,270</u>	(15,686,850)
Net cash inflow from operating activities		2,916,000
Returns on investments and servicing of finance Interest received		114,220
Capital (expenditure)/income Capital grants from DCSF Other capital grants received from central and local government Capital funding received from sponsors	20,014 57,185	
Purchase of tangible fixed assets Receipts from sale of tangible fixed assets	(490,451) 	
Net trading subsidiary cash inflow		(413,252) 69,272
Increase in cash		2,686,240

CONSOLIDATED CASHFLOW STATEMENT for the year ended 31 August 2008

			2008 £
Reco	onciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds		
Incre	ease in cash		2,686,240
Net f	funds at 31 August 2008		2,686,240
NOT	E TO CASHFLOW STATEMENT		
1	Analysis of changes in net funds	Cash flows £	At 31 August 2008 £
	Cash in hand and at bank Current asset investments	296,240 2,390,000	296,240 2,390,000
		2,686,240	2,686,240
		<u> </u>	

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES 31 August 2008

Format of financial statements

The standard format for the financial statements as required by the Companies Act 1985 schedule 4 part 1 has been adapted to provide more appropriate information which complies with the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' (issued in March 2005) ("Charities SORP 2005") and reflects the activities of the Academy.

Basis of accounting

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the Charities SORP 2005 except that, as explained in note 10, individual emoluments paid to governors have not been disclosed.

Basis of consolidation

The group financial statements include those of the charitable company and the company's trading subsidiary, Shireland Learning Limited. The statutory year end of Shireland Learning Limited is 31 March 2008; consequently the results for Shireland Learning Limited have been consolidated using management accounts for the period to 31 August 2008.

The Collegiate Academy Trust is the sole member of Shireland Learning Limited. Shireland Learning Limited was incorporated on 15 January 2007 and commenced activity on 1 April 2007. On 1 September 2007, Shireland Learning Limited gifted its net assets to The Collegiate Academy Trust; consequently, these financial statements include the results of Shireland Learning Limited from 15 January 2007 to 31 August 2008.

Incoming resources

Grants receivable

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 show in the relevant funds on the balance sheet.

Sponsorship income

Sponsorship income provided to the Academy which amounts to a donation is recognised in the statement of financial activities in the period in which it is receivable.

Donations

Donations are included in the statement of financial activities on a cash received basis or on an accruals basis where they are assured with reasonable certainty and are receivable at the balance sheet date.

Donated services and gifts in kind

The value of donated services and gifts in kind provided to the Academy is recognised in the statement of financial activities as incoming resources and resources expended at their estimated value to the Academy in the period in which they are receivable, and where the benefit is both quantifiable and material.

Interest receivable

Interest receivable is included within the statement of financial activities on a receivable basis.

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES 31 August 2008

Resources expended

Resources expended are recognised in the period in which they are incurred and include any irrecoverable VAT. They have been classified under headings that aggregate all costs relating to that activity.

Allocation of costs

In accordance with the Charities SORP, expenditure has been analysed between the cost of generating funds, the Academy's charitable activities and governance. Items of expenditure which involve more than one cost category have been apportioned on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis for the cost category concerned. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent on each activity and depreciation charges on the basis of the proportion of the assets' use which is utilised by each activity.

Governance costs

Governance costs include the costs attributable to the Academy's compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements, including audit, strategic management and governors' meetings and reimbursed expenses. Such costs include both direct and allocated support costs.

Funding accounting

General funds represent those resources which may be used towards meeting any of the objects of the Academy at the discretion of the governors.

Restricted funds comprise grants from the DCSF and other donors which are to be used for specific purposes as explained in Note 17.

Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets acquired since the Academy was established are included in the accounts at cost.

Where tangible fixed assets have been acquired with specific grants, either from the Government or from the private sector, they are included ion the balance sheet at cost and depreciated over their expected useful economic life. The related grants are credited to a restricted fixed asset fund (in the statement of financial activities and carried forward in the balance sheet). The depreciation on such assets is charged in the statement of financial activities over the expected useful economic life of the related asset on a basis consistent with the depreciation policy.

Assets costing less than £1,000 are written off in the year of acquisition. All other assets are capitalised.

Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on a straight line basis on the cost of tangible fixed assets, to write them down to their estimated residual values over their expected useful lives. No depreciation is provided on freehold land. The principal annual rates used for other assets are:

Short leasehold property 2%
Furniture and equipment 10 - 15%
Computer equipment and software 20 - 30%

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES 31 August 2008

Investments

The Academy's holding in its wholly owned subsidiary, Shireland Learning Limited is included in the balance sheet at nil cost as the company is a company limited by guarantee. The Collegiate Academy Trust is the sole member of Shireland Learning Limited.

Stock

Unused stationery and catering stores are valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value.

Leased assets

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are charged to the statement of financial activities on a straight line basis over the lease term.

Taxation

The Academy is a registered charity and as such is exempt from income tax and corporation tax under the provisions of the Income and corporation Taxes Act 1988.

The cost of any irrecoverable VAT incurred by the Academy has been included in the statement of financial activities.

Pensions

Academy staff are members of one of three pension schemes, two of which are defined benefit schemes and one is a defined contribution scheme.

Defined Benefit Schemes

Teachers' Pension Scheme

Full-time and part-time teaching staff employed under a contract of service are eligible to contribute to the Teachers' Pension Scheme ("TPS"). The TPS, a statutory, contributory, final salary scheme is administered by Capita Teachers' Pensions on behalf of the Department for Children, Families and Schools. As the Academy is unable to identify its share of the underlying (notional) assets and liabilities of the scheme, the Academy has taken advantage of the exemption in Financial Reporting Standard ("FRS") number 17 and has accounted for its contributions to the scheme as if it were a defined contribution scheme. The pension costs for the scheme represent the contributions payable by the Academy in the year.

Local Government Pension Scheme

Non teaching members of staff are offered membership of the Local Government Scheme ("LGPS"). The LGPS is a defined benefit pension scheme and is able to identify the Academy's share of assets and liabilities and the requirements of FRS 17, Retirement Benefits, have been followed.

The Academy's share of the LGPS assets are measured at fair value at each balance sheet date. Liabilities are measured on an actuarial basis using the projected unit method. The net of these two figures is recognised as an asset or liability on the balance sheet. Any movement in the asset or liability between balance sheet dates is reflected in the statement of financial activities.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31 August 2008

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	GENERAL ANNUAL GRANT (GAG)		2008
	Results and carry forward for the year GAG brought forward from previous year GAG allocation for current year		£ - 15,245,828
	Total GAG available to spend Recurrent expenditure from GAG Fixed assets purchased from GAG		15,245,828 (14,142,016) (990,451)
	GAG carried forward to next year		113,361
	Maximum permitted GAG carry forward at end of current year (12% of allocation for current year)		(1,829,499)
	GAG to surrender to DCSF (12% rule breached if result is positive)		(1,716,138)
	Use of GAG brought forward from previous year for recurrent purp (Of the amount carried forward each year, a maximum of 2% of GAG can be used for recurrent purposes. Any balance, up to a maximum of 12% can only be used for capital purposes)	ooses	
	Recurrent expenditure from GAG in current year GAG allocation for current year GAG allocation for previous year x 2%	See above	14,142,016 (15,245,828)
	GAG brought forward from previous year in excess of 2%, used on recurrent expenditure in current year (2% rule breached if result is positive)		(1,103,812)
2	VOLUNTARY INCOME GROUP AND COMPANY		2008 £
	Donations for fixed assets - LA Curriculum income Miscellaneous donations		18,389,406 239,506 49,767
			18,678,679

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31 August 2008

3 ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

_		- (Group	Cor	npany
		Unrestricted 2008	Restricted 2008	Unrestricted 2008	Restricted 2008
	Raising Achievement Muslim Boys Shireland Learning Limited recharged FAC finance Nursery Payments from other schools Catering Hire of Hall/Rooms Community Active Lifestyles extended Other Activities	73,360 182,420 63,317 171,926 62,387 83,667 444,214	8,000 - - - - - - - - 8,000	553,992 73,360 182,420 63,317 171,926 62,387 83,667 444,214	8,000 - - - - - - - - 8,000
4	INVESTMENT INCOME GROUP AND COMPANY				2008 £
	Bank interest receivable Pension return on assets in excess of in	nterest cost			125,957
5	FUNDING FOR THE ACADEMY'S ED GROUP AND COMPANY	UCATIONAL O	PERATIONS		2008 £
	Department for Children, Schools and General Annual Grant (GAG) (Note 1) Other DCSF grants Capital grants	nd Families gra	nnts		15,245,828 672,411 <u>77,199</u> 15,995,438
	Other Government grants LA Standard Fund				602,283
	Other funding from LA High cost pupils Compromise Agreement Fund				442,659 126,323 1,171,265
					17,166,703

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31 August 2008

6 RESOURCES EXPENDED

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56,234
54,711 12,757
67,468
<u>94,343</u>
18,045
2008 Total £
31,060
54,711 12,757
67,468
94,343
92,871

The method used for the apportionment of support costs is disclosed in the accounting policies on page 23.

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	CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES – ACADEMY'S EDUCATION OPERATIONS GROUP AND COMPANY	2008 £
	Direct costs Teaching and education support staff costs Depreciation Books, apparatus and stationery Examination fees Staff development Educational consultancy Other direct costs	8,139,227 431,315 757,072 231,941 45,261 80,692 1,569,203
	Allocated support costs Support staff costs Depreciation Pupil recruitment and support Maintenance of premises and equipment Cleaning Rent and rates Heat and light Insurance Security Transport Catering Technology costs Bank interest and charges Other support costs	1,858,720 141,478 51,195 426,178 54,057 49,441 252,177 79,399 106,144 152,242 184,655 182,914 224 573,933 4,112,757
8	GOVERNANCE COSTS GROUP AND COMPANY	2008 £
	Support costs Legal and professional fees Audit fees Other accountancy services Governors' reimbursed expenses Depreciation	436,354 218,058 13,500 2,750 304 23,377

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9 STAFF COSTS

The average number of persons (including members of the senior management team) employed by the Academy during the year ended 31 August 2008, expressed as fulltime equivalents, was as follows:

	2008 £
Charitable activities Teachers Administration and support Management	181 150
Governance activities	338 3
Total	341
Staff costs comprise:	2008 £
Wages and salaries Social security costs Other pension costs	9,422,049 702,673 1,084,623
	11,209,345

8 employees earned more than £60,000 per annum (including taxable benefits but excluding employers' pension contributions) during the year ended 31 August 2008. The total emoluments of these employees were in the following ranges:

	2008 No
£60,001 - £70,000 £70,001 - £80,000	5 2
£140,001 - £150,000	1

All of the above employees earning more than £60,000 per annum participated in the Teachers' Pension Scheme. During the year ended 31 August 2008, pension contributions for these staff amounted to £70.945.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31 August 2008

10 GOVERNORS REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES

The Memorandum and Articles of Association permits the payment of remuneration and out of pocket expenses to governors/trustees provided that:

- The remuneration or other sums paid to the trustee do not exceed an amount that is reasonable in all the circumstances.
- The trustee is absent from the part of any meeting at which there is discussion of;
 - his or her employment or remuneration, or any matter concerning the contract; or
 - his or her performance in the employment, or his or her performance of the contract; or
 - any proposal to enter into any other contract or arrangement with him or her or to confer any benefit upon him or her that would be permitted under the clauses of the Memorandum and Article of Association; or
 - any other matter relating to a payment or the conferring of any benefit permitted under the clauses of the Memorandum and Article of Association.
- The trustee does not vote on any such matter and is not to be counts when calculating whether a quorum of trustees is present at the meeting.
- The other trustees are satisfied that it is in the best interests of the company to employ or
 contract with that trustee rather than with someone who is not a trustee. In reaching that
 decision the trustees must balance the advantage of employing a trustee against the
 disadvantages of doing so (especially the loss of the trustees services as a result of dealing with
 the trustees conflict of interest).
- The reason for their decision is recorded by the trustees in the minute book.
- A majority of the trustees in office have received no such payments.

The governors of the Academy did not receive any remuneration in respect of their services as a governor during the year.

The Executive Principal received remuneration during the year in respect of his role as Executive Principal of the Academy. This salary is covered by the declaration in note 9. Retirement benefits were also accruing to the Executive Principal in respect of a multi-employer defined benefit pension scheme.

Paragraph 230 of Charities SORP 2005 requires that details of remuneration paid to governors be disclosed on an individual basis. This disclosure has not been included as the governors believe that the information is of a sensitive nature.

Interests in transactions

During the year Mr Brian Seymour received payments totalling £21,763 for health and safety consultancy and re-imbursed expenses of £304.

Ormiston trust, the main sponsors of Shireland Collegiate Academy, received £100,580 for a variety of consultancy and governance services.

11 GOVERNORS AND OFFICERS INSURANCE

In accordance with normal commercial practice the Academy has purchased insurance to protect governors and officers from claims arising from negligent acts, errors or omissions occurring whilst on Academy business. The insurance provides cover up to £1,000,000 on any one claim and the cost for the year ended 31 August 2008 was £4,147.

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12 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

GROUP	Leasehold land and buildings £	Furniture and equipment £	Computer software	Total £
Cost Donated from LA Additions	17,646,694	242,505 47,096	500,207 451,498	18,389,406 <u>498,536</u>
At 31 August 2008	-	289,603	951,705	18,888,002
Depreciation At 1 September 2007 Charge in the year Disposals	318,690	58,167	255,368 	632,225
At 31 August 2008	318,690	58,167	255,368	632,225
Net book value				
At 31 August 2008	17,328,004	231,436	696,337	18,255,777
At 31 August 2007	-	-	-	-

Included within the net book value of Leasehold Land and Buildings is land not depreciated of £1,712,275.

As disclosed above, certain assets were donated to the charitable company by the Local Authority on 1 September 2007. These leasehold land and buildings have been donated initially on an 8 year lease, increasing to a 100 year lease on the satisfactory completion of certain milestones. The value of buildings donated by the LA is based on the values held within the books of Sandwell MBC prior to their transfer. Sandwell MBC adopted a policy of revaluation on a 5 year rolling basis. The latest full valuation was undertaken in the financial year to 31 March 2007 and the donated assets are included at their depreciated revalued amount as at 1 September 2007. It is the intention of the governors to retain this valuation in the financial statements and not to adopt a policy of ongoing revaluation.

The net book value at 31 August 2008 represents fixed assets used for:

	Leasehold land and buildings £	Furniture and equipment £	Computer software £	Total £
Educational provision	12,822,724	191,688	551,204	13,565,616
Support services	2,079,360	32,450	128,629	2,240,439
Governance	1,039,680	4,755	6,862	1,051,297
Generating funds	1,386,240	2,543	9,462	1,398,425
	17,328,004	231,436	696,337	18,255,777

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31 August 2008

12 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS – continued

COMPANY	Leasehold land and buildings £	Furniture and equipment £	Computer software	Total £
Cost Donated from LA Additions Disposals	17,646,694 - 	242,505 38,953 	500,207 451,498	18,389,406 490,451
At 31 August 2008	17,646,694	281,458	951,705	18,879,857
Depreciation At 1 September 2007 Charge in the year Disposals	318,690 	52,397 	255,368 	626,455
At 31 August 2008	318,690	52,397	255,368	626,455
Net book value				
At 31 August 2008	17,328,004	229,061	696,337	18,253,402
At 31 August 2007	-	-	-	-

Included within the net book value of Leasehold Land and Buildings is land not depreciated of £1,712,275.

As disclosed above, certain assets were donated to the charitable company by the Local Authority on 1 September 2007. These leasehold land and buildings have been donated initially on an 8 year lease, increasing to a 100 year lease on the satisfactory completion of certain milestones. The value of buildings donated by the LA is based on the values held within the books of Sandwell MBC prior to their transfer. Sandwell MBC adopted a policy of revaluation on a 5 year rolling basis. The latest full valuation was undertaken in the financial year to 31 March 2007 and the donated assets are included at their depreciated revalued amount as at 1 September 2007. It is the intention of the governors to retain this valuation in the financial statements and not to adopt a policy of ongoing revaluation.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31 August 2008

12 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS – continued

	Source of funding for assets acquired (cumulative to date)	2008 £
	DCSF capital grants	20,014
	General Annual Grant	413,252
	Other government grants	57,185
	Private sector capital sponsorship – donated from LA	18,389,406
	Capital funds advanced by DCSF in lieu of sponsorship	-
	General purpose fund (grant income)	-
	Other funds (Trading subsidiary)	<u>8,145</u>
	Cost of fixed assets at 31 August 2008	18,888,002
	Less: accumulated depreciation	632,225
	Net book value of fixed assets at 31 August 2008	18,255,777
13	INVESTMENTS	2008 £
	Investment in wholly owned subsidiary at cost	-

Shireland Collegiate Academy is the sole member of Shireland Learning Limited ("SLL") a company limited by guarantee. SLL is a company incorporated in England (registration 6052021). The principal activity of SLL is providing an on line learning environment.

A summary of the results and the balance sheet position of SLL for the period 15 January 2007 to 31 March 2008 (the most recently available audited accounts) is shown below:

Profit and loss account	Period ended 31 March	5 month period ended 31 August	
	2008 Audited	2008 Unaudited	Total
	£	£	3
Turnover Cost of sales Administrative expenses Interest receivable	763,628 (615,662) (58,073)	244,896 (334,942) (97,088)	1,008,524 (950,604) (155,161)
Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities before Gift Aid payme	ent 89,893	(187,134)	(97,421)
Gift Aid payment to Academy			
Profit/(loss) on ordinary activities after Gift Aid paymen	t 89,893	(187,134)	(97,421)
Tax on profit/(loss) on ordinary activities	(17,800)		(17,800)
Retained profits carried forward 31 March 2008	72,093	(187,134)	(115,041)

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INVESTMENTS – continued	31 August 2008	
Balance sheet	£	
Fixed assets Current assets Current liabilities	2,375 361,286 (48,702)	
	(115,041)	
Represented by		
Profit and loss account	(115,041)	
Members' funds	(115,041)	
The audit report for the period ended 31 March 2008 was unqualified.		
STOCK	2008 Group £	2008 Company £
ICT consumables Stationery Catering	15,851 22,142 5,915 43,908	15,851 22,142 <u>5,915</u> 43,908
DEBTORS	2008 Group £	2008 Company £
Trade debtors Prepayments Sundry debtors Amount due from subsidiary undertaking	593,755 60,086 24,861 	335,700 50,988 - 160,594 547,282
	Balance sheet Fixed assets Current assets Current liabilities Represented by Profit and loss account Members' funds The audit report for the period ended 31 March 2008 was unqualified. STOCK ICT consumables Stationery Catering DEBTORS Trade debtors Prepayments Sundry debtors	Salance sheet Salance shee

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 31 August 2008

16	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	2008 Group £	2008 Company £
	Trade creditors Taxation and social security Other creditors Accruals and deferred income Amount due to subsidiary undertaking	471,228 276,234 458,139 73,316	253,324 276,234 140,031 264,386 20,834
		1,278,917	960,809

17 RESTRICTED FUNDS

The income funds of the Academy comprise the following balances of grants to be applied for specific purposes:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended £	Gains/(losses) and transfers	Balance at 31 August 2008
Restricted general funds General Annual Grant (GAG) DCSF other grants	15,245,828 672,411	14,142,016 516,019	(990,451)	113,361 156,392
LA grants - Standard Fund - Compromise agreements - High Cost pupils Raising Achievement Muslim Boys	602,284 126,322 442,659 8,000	602,284 126,322 -	- - -	442,659 8,000
	17,097,504	15,386,641	(990,451)	720,412
Restricted fixed asset funds DCSF capital grants Capital expenditure from	77,199	-	-	77,199
GAG Private sector capital sponsorship	18,389,406	148,608 477,846	990,451	841,843 18,061,560
	18,466,605	626,454	1,140,451	18,980,602
Unrestricted general funds General funds Trading subsidiary Pension reserve	1,496,521 987,690 10,000	525,950 1,123,565 79,000	(150,000) - (702,000)	820,571 (135,875) (771,000)
	2,494,211	1,728,515	(852,000)	(86,304)
Total funds	38,058,320	17,741,610	(702,000)	19,614,710

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17 RESTRICTED FUNDS - continued

- (i) General Annual Grant must be used for the normal running costs of the Academy. The Academy is allowed to carry forward up to 12% of the current GAG. Of the carried forward amount, up to 2% of GAG can be used for general purposes at the discretion of the Academy, but any balance over 2% must be used for capital purposes;
- (ii) The DCSF Grant included £225,491 for start up costs that were spent specifically on Navigant project fees as directed by the DCSF. A further £10,878 was also claimed to cover costs agreed with the DCSF regarding additional in year set up costs. The DCSF paid a further £446,049 restricted standard funding.
- (iii) The Local Authority (LA) Grant Standard Fund covered the period September 2007 to March 2008.
- (iv) The gross transfer from the restricted general fund to the restricted fixed asset fund of £990,451 represents the total capital expenditure from the General Annual Grant (GAG) during the year;
- (v) Restricted fixed asset were funded by government grants or sponsors.
- (vi) High Cost Pupils funding is to support identified students with additional educational needs.
- (vii) Raising Achievement Muslim boys is to support the engagement of Muslim boys.
- (viii) The compromise agreement funding was support given for severance payments to staff.

18 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

Fund balances at 31 August 2008 are represented by:

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted General funds £	Restricted fixed asset funds £	Trading subsidiary reserves £	Total £
Tangible fixed assets	-	-	18,253,402	2,375	18,255,777
Investments	4 550 007	700 101	707.000	- 040 450	0.400.050
Current assets	1,552,097	789,101	727,200	340,452	3,408,850
Current liabilities	(731,526)	(68,689)	-	(478,702)	(1,278,917)
Pension scheme liabilit	y <u>(771,000)</u>		-	-	(771,000)
	49,571	720,412	18,980,602	(135,875)	19,614,710

19 CAPITAL COMMITMENTS Contracted for, but not provided in the financial statements Authorised by governors, but not yet contracted Contracted for, but not provided in the financial statements Authorised by governors, but not yet contracted 307,540

The above capital commitments will be met from capital grants to be received in future years.

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20 LEASE COMMITMENTS

At 31 August 2008 the Academy had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

Operating leases which expire:	2008 £
Within one year	32,308
Within two to five years	49,428
Over five years	1,469

21 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

During the period of the Funding Agreement, in the event of the sale or disposal by other means of any asset for which a Government capital grant was received, the Academy is required either to re-invest the proceeds or to repay to the Secretary of State for Education and Skills the same proportion of the proceeds of the sale or disposal as equates with the proportion of the original cost met by the Secretary of State.

Upon termination of the Funding Agreement, whether as a result of the Secretary of State or the Academy serving notice, the Academy shall repay to the Secretary of State sums determined by reference to:

- (a) the value at that time of the Academy's site and premises and other assets held for the purpose of the Academy; and
- (b) the extent to which expenditure incurred in providing those assets were met by payments by the Secretary of State under the Funding Agreement.

22 PENSION COMMITMENTS

The Academy's employees belong to two principal pension schemes; the Teachers' Pension Scheme England and Wales (TPS") for academic and related staff and the West Midlands Pension Fund ("WMPF") for non-teaching staff, which is managed by Sandwell MBC.

The total pension cost to the Academy during the year ended 31 August 2008 was £1,084,623 of which £836,337 relates to the TPS and £248,286 relates to WMPF.

Teachers Pension Scheme (TPS)

Under the definitions set out in Financial Reporting Standard number 17, Retirement Benefits, the TPS scheme is classed as a multi-employer pension scheme. The Academy is unable to identify its share of the underlying (notional) assets and liabilities of the scheme. Accordingly, the Academy has taken advantage of the exemption in FRS 17 and has accounted for its contributions to the scheme as if it were a defined contribution scheme. The Academy has set out below the latest information available for the scheme.

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22 PENSION COMMITMENTS

Teachers Pension Scheme (TPS) - continued

The TPS is a statutory, contributory, final salary scheme. The regulations under which the TPS operates are the Teachers' Pensions Regulations 1997, as amended. These regulations apply to teachers in schools and other educational establishments in England and Wales maintained by local education authorities and also to teachers in many independent and voluntary-aided schools and establishments of further and higher education. Membership is automatic for full-time teachers and lecturers and from 1 January 2007 automatic too for teachers and lecturers in part-time employment following appointment or a change of contract. Teachers are able to opt out of the TPS.

Although teachers are employed by LAs and various other bodies, their retirement and other superannuation benefits, including annual increases payable under the Pensions (Increase) Acts, are, as provided for in the Superannuation Act 1972, paid out of monies provided by Parliament. Under the TPS, which is an unfunded scheme, teachers' contributions, on a 'pay-as-you-go' basis, and employers' contributions are credited to the Exchequer under arrangements governed by the above Act.

The Teachers' Pension Regulations require an annual account, the Teachers' Pension Account, to be kept of receipts and expenditure (including the cost of pension increases). With effect from 1 April 2001, the Account will be credited with a real rate of return (in excess of price increases and currently set at 3.5%), which is equivalent to assuming that the balance in the Account is invested in notional investments that produce that real rate of return.

Not less than every five years, the Government Actuary ("GA"), using normal actuarial principles, conducts an actuarial review of the TPS. The aim of the review is to specify the level of future contributions.

Contributions are assessed in two parts. First, a standard contribution rate ("SCR") is determined. This is the contribution, expressed as a percentage of the salaries of teachers and lecturers in service or entering service during the period over which the contribution rate applies, which if it were paid over the entire active service of these teachers and lecturers would broadly defray the cost of benefits payable in respect of that service. Secondly, a supplementary contribution is payable by employers if, as a result of the actuarial investigation, it is found that the accumulated liabilities of the Account for benefits to past and present teachers are not fully covered by standard contributions to be paid in future and by the notional fund built up from past contributions. The total contribution rate payable is the sum of the SCR and the supplementary contribution rate.

The last valuation of the TPS was for the period 1 April 2001 to 31 March 2004. The GA's report of October 2006 revealed that the total liabilities of the Scheme (pensions currently in payment and the estimated cost of future benefits) amounted to £166,500 million. The value of the assets (estimated future contributions together with the proceeds from the notional investments held at the valuation date) was £163,240 millions. The assumed real rate of return is 3.5% in excess of prices and 2% in excess earnings. The rate of real earnings growth is assumed to be 1.5%. The assumed gross rate of return is 6.5%.

As from the 1 January 2007, and as part of the cost-sharing agreement between employers' and teachers' representatives, the SCR as been assessed at 19.75% and the supplementary contribution ahs been assessed to be 0.75% (to balance assets and liabilities as required by the regulations within 15 years); a total contribution rate of 20.5%. This translates to an employee contribution rate of 6.4% and employer contribution rate of 14.1% payable. The cost sharing agreement also been introduced effective for the first time for the 2008 valuation - a 14% cap on employer contributions payable.

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22 PENSION COMMITMENTS

A copy of the GA's 2004 valuation report can be found on the TeacherNet website at: www.teachernet.gov.uk/pensions

The pension cost charged in the financial statements for this scheme for the year ended 31 August 2008 was £836,337 which were the contributions due for the year.

West Midlands Pension Fund

The Academy is one of several employing bodies included with the West Midlands Pension Fund ("WMPF").

The WMPF is a funded defined benefit scheme, with the assets held in separate trustee administered funds. Contributions to the scheme are determined by a qualified actuary on the basis of triennial valuations using the projected unit method.

The total contribution made for the year ended 31 August 2008 was £346,000 of which employer's contributions totalled £230,000 and employees' contributions totalled £116,000. The agreed contribution rates for the year ended 31 August 2008 were 12% for employers and depending on salary 5.5% - 7.5% for employees.

The following information is based upon a valuation of the fund at by a qualified independent actuary. The next actuarial valuation of the fund is due as at 31 March 2010.

The major assumptions used by the actuary were:

	At 31 August 2008 %	At 1 September 2007 %
Rate of increase in salaries	5.65	5.05
Rate of increase in pensions	3.90	3.30
Discount rate for liabilities	5.65	5.80

The Academy's share of the assets and liabilities in the scheme and the expected rate of return were:

	Long term rate of return expected at 31 August 2008 %	Value at 31 August 2008 £	Long term rate of return expected at 1 September 2007 %	Value at 1 September 2007 £
Equities Government Bonds Other Bonds Property Other	7.50 4.60 5.65 6.50 5.00	1,220,000 178,000 100,000 152,000 80,000	7.50 4.80 4.80 6.50 5.75	118,000 63,000 115,000
Total fair value of assets		1,730,000		1,401,000
Present value of scheme liabilities		(2,501,000)		(<u>1,531,000</u>)
Net pension liability		(771,000)		(130,000)

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22 PENSION COMMITMENTS

West Midlands Pension Fund – continued

Analysis of amount chargeable to statement of financial activities	2008 £
Employer service cost (net of employee contributions) Past service cost	79,000
Total opening charge	309,000
Analysis of pension finance income/(costs)	2008 £
Expected return on employer's share of scheme assets Interest on pension liabilities	111,000 (101,000)
Pension finance income/(costs)	10,000
Amount recognised in the statement of total recognised gains/(losses) (STRGL)	2008
Actual return less expected return on pension scheme assets Experience gains and losses arising on the scheme liabilities Changes in financial and demographic assumptions underlying the present value of the scheme liabilities	(128,000) - <u>(444,000</u>)
Actuarial (loss)/gain recognised in STRGL	(572,000)
	2008 £
Deficit in the Scheme at 1 September 2007	(130,000)
Movement in year: Current service cost Employer contributions Past service costs	(309,000) 230,000
Pension finance income/(costs) Actuarial (loss)/gain	10,000 <u>(572,000</u>)
Deficit in the scheme at 31 August 2008	(771,000)

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22 PENSION COMMITMENTS

West Midlands Pension Fund - continued

History of experience of gains and losses	2008 %	2008 £000
Difference between expected and actual return on scheme assets (percentage of scheme assets)	(7.4)	(128)
Experience gains and losses on scheme liabilities	-	-
Total amount recognised in statement of total recognised gains and losses (percentage of scheme		
liabilities)	(22.9)	(572)

23 MEMBERS' LIABILITY

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

As at 31 August 2008 there were 3 members of the charitable company.

CHARITABLE COMPANY DETAILED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 August 2008

		2008
	£	£
INCOME		
GENERAL ANNUAL GRANT DCSF CAPITAL GRANTS LA CAPITAL OTHER DCSF GRANTS	15,245,828 20,014 57,185 <u>672,411</u>	45.005.400
OTHER GOVERNMENT GRANTS Standard fund High Cost pupils Raising Achievement Muslim Boys Compromise agreements	602,283 442,659 8,000 126,323	15,995,438 1,179,265
PRIVATE SECTOR SPONSORSHIP		
Curriculum income Other donations Fixed Asset funding	239,506 49,767 18,389,406	10.070.070
		18,678,679
Interest Hire of halls/rooms FAC finance Nursery PMFL income Payments from other schools Catering CLC income Payments from primaries Shire learning payments Community Active Lifestyles income Community Active Lifestyles extended Technicians Consultancy income Computers in the Community Aim Higher Trail Blazer Teacher Training Agency Post 16 Laptop Inc. Community language Community funding ACES Uniform income — misc sales Exam fees Income supply teacher Income contribution to visits Miscellaneous	125,957 62,387 73,360 182,420 56,732 63,317 171,926 48,528 45,174 553,992 20,921 83,667 64,665 15,992 22,585 26,757 7,000 46,960 5,100 40,054 15,275 4,593 1,117 9,393 4,890 8,478	1,761,240
TOTAL INCOME		
TOTAL INCOME		37,614,622

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CHARITABLE COMPANY DETAILED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 August 2008

		2008
EVDENDITUDE	£	£
EXPENDITURE		
Staff costs		
Teaching	6,429,932	
Educational support	1,168,860	
Other staff Premises	437,616	
Admin and clerical	601,616	
Catering staff	234,476	
Other	223,670	
Total GAG staff costs		9,096,170
Maintenance of premises		
Building maintenance	389,711	
Grounds maintenance	36,646	
Other equipment costs		426,357
Other occupancy costs Cleaning	50,728	
Water	17,385	
Fuel	252,177	
Rates	32,056	
Insurance	79,399	
Security Other	106,144 18,287	
Other	10,207	556,176
Educational supplies and services	0.10.110	
Books	812,412	
Educational equipment Stationery and materials	327,882 56,713	
Transport	152,242	
Examination fees	231,941	
Fees for external advice	522,376	
Other	<u>164,506</u>	0.000.070
Other supplies and services		2,268,072
Catering	184,655	
Legal and professional fees	30,550	
Auditors' remuneration	16,250	
Bank interest and charges	-	
Pupil recruitment Pupil support	247,405	
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Balance carried forward		12,825,635

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CHARITABLE COMPANY DETAILED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for the year ended 31 August 2008

	_	2008
EXPENDITURE	3	£
General Annual Grant Expenditure - continued		
Balance brought forward		12,825,635
Furniture and Equipment Repairs and maintenance		9,978
Technology costs (not capitalised) Hardware Software Consumables	3,022 8,543 171,799	
		183,364
Staff development		45,431
Other GAG expenditure		1,077,608
TOTAL GAG EXPENDITURE		14,142,016
OTHER DCSF GRANT RELATED EXPENDITURE Staff costs Educational supplies	236,640 279,381	516,021
OTHER GOVERNMENT GRANT RELATED EXPENDITURE Staff costs Educational supplies	453,283 275,322	
OTHER EXPENDITURE		728,605
Staff costs Other occupancy costs	945,191 155,585	1,100,776
DEPRECIATION		626,454
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		17,113,872

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