

## Report and Financial Statements Year Ended 31st July 2016

### Key Management Personnel, Board of Governors and Professional advisers

### Key management personnel

Key management personnel are defined as members of the College Senior Leadership Team and were represented by the following in 2015/16:

Mr S P Oxlade, Principal, Accounting officer Mr N J Clark, Deputy Principal Mr C P Whelan, Deputy Principal

#### **Board of Governors**

A full list of Governors is given on pages 12 and 13 of these financial statements.

Mr J Allen acted as Clerk to the Corporation throughout the period.

#### Professional advisers

### Financial statements auditors and reporting accountants:

RSM UK Audit LLP Chartered Accountants Portland 25 High Street Crawley West Sussex RH10 1BG

#### Internal auditors:

MacIntyre Hudson LLP New Bridge Street House 30-34 New Bridge Street London EC4V 6BJ

#### Bankers:

Barclays Bank plc 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 90-92 High Street Crawley West Sussex RH10 1BP

### Solicitors:

Irwin Mitchell LLP Belmont House Station Way Crawley West Sussex RH101JA

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### Members' Report

### **NATURE, OBJECTIVES AND STRATEGIES**

The members present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016.

### **Legal Status**

The Corporation was established under the Further and Higher Education Act 1992 for the purpose of conducting Reigate College. The College is an exempt charity for the purposes of the Charities Act 2011.

#### **Mission Statement**

To provide high quality education in a supportive community.

#### **Vision Statement**

As the first choice in SE Surrey for 16-19 educational excellence we strive constantly to provide inclusive, exemplary education which responds to the individual learning needs of our students. We recognise that Reigate College is an ambassador for excellence both regionally and nationally and we welcome the responsibility of meeting this challenge.

#### **Public Benefit**

Reigate College is an exempt charity under Part 3 of the Charities Act 2011 and is regulated by the Secretary of State for Education as Principal Regulator for Sixth Form Colleges. The members of the Governing Body, who are trustees of the charity, are disclosed on pages 12 and 13.

In setting and reviewing the College's strategic objectives, the Governing Body has had due regard for the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and particularly upon its supplementary guidance on the advancement of education. The guidance sets out the requirement that all organisations wishing to be recognised as charities must demonstrate, explicitly, that their aims are for the public benefit.

In delivering its mission, the College provides the following identifiable public benefits through the advancement of education:

- High-quality teaching
- Widening participation and tackling social exclusion
- Excellent employment record for students
- Strong student support systems
- Links with employers, industry and commerce.

The delivery of public benefit is covered throughout the Members' Report.



### **Federation**

In March 2013, the College entered into a Federation with Coulsdon Sixth Form College, which is located in the London Borough of Croydon.

The College's participation in the Federation was approved by the Corporation in July 2013, and this is renewed annually. The College does not have control of Coulsdon Sixth Form College and hence does not produce consolidated financial statements.

### Implementation of Strategic Plan

In Spring 2015 the College agreed strategic and annual objectives for the period September 2015 to August 2016. In addition the College prepared a development plan, and financial forecasts. The Corporation monitors the performance of the College against the objectives, which are regularly reviewed during the academic year.

The College's continuing strategic objectives from the development plan are set out below, together with a summary of the College's achievement against these objectives. The achievements are then set out in more detail in the following pages.



Strategic Objective	Achievement
To be recognised as a leading inclusive provider of a comprehensive range of AS/A level subjects, BTEC National courses and other provision at level 2 and 3 appropriate to the needs of the local and regional community.	Achieved delivery of targeted range of courses.
2. To work in partnership with Warwick, Reigate, Oakwood and de Stafford schools in ensuring a regional curriculum offer which meets the needs of Year 11 students progressing to further education.	Consolidated successful "gifted and talented" links with partner schools.
3. To work in partnership with Coulsdon Sixth Form College, ensuring aligned policies, systems and procedures across the two federated colleges.	Objective achieved.
4. To work in partnership with the Surrey S7 Consortium and to fulfil our commitments as a Beacon College and a Teaching School.	Working with the S7 Consortium in exchange of good practice and management development. College has maintained Beacon status and is now also a Teaching School.
5. To meet student participation, retention, achievement and value added targets: A minimum of 2,165, fundable "mainstream" students; 30 students enrolled on the PGCE.	Targets achieved October 2015.
6. To achieve performance indicators as follows: Exceed national benchmarks for attendance, retention and achievement. Ensure that students are reaching their potential as indicated by value added outcomes.	College performance exceeded national benchmarks in all areas.  Value added - students exceeding their expectations in aggregate.
7. To maintain the College's 'outstanding' reputation with Ofsted throughout SE Surrey; to raise the College's profile regionally and nationally.	College has maintained Beacon status and has been granted Teaching School status. Self Assessment Review approved and actions implemented. All departments have been self-assessed as at least satisfactory.
8. To ensure that the College implements appropriate actions in accordance with equality & diversity and safeguarding legislation.	All requirements met in full.
9. To achieve the College's staff development priorities with a particular focus on teaching, learning and attainment.	College retains Investor In People status, and is implementing actions agreed during the last assessment.
10. To provide effective teaching, learning and support for students which enables them to progress to further study or appropriate employment and to fulfil their role in society.	As at September 2016, approximately 80% of eligible students progressed to higher education or employment. Over 85% satisfaction rating achieved on every question on the student survey relating to teaching, learning and support.
11. To maintain an outstanding assessment in Financial Health	Objective achieved.
12. To implement an accommodation and estates strategy, which reflects curriculum planning and the needs of staff and students and, where appropriate, the local community.	Objective achieved.
13. To work in partnership with East Surrey College.	Memorandum of Understanding working well with East Surrey College.



### **Financial Objectives**

The College's financial objectives are:

- To achieve an annual operating surplus
- To fund continued capital investment

### **Performance Indicators**

The College is required to complete the annual Finance Record for the Education Funding Agency. The Finance Record produces a financial health grading. The current rating of Outstanding is considered an acceptable outcome. Details of the College's success rates can be found on page 5.

### **FINANCIAL POSITION**

#### Financial results

The year ended 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016 is the first year that the College has presented its financial statements under FRS 102 and the 2015 FE HE SORP. The last financial statements prepared under previous UK GAAP were for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> July 2015 and the date of transition to FRS 102 and the 2015 FE HE SORP was therefore 1<sup>st</sup> August 2014. As a consequence of adopting FRS 102 and the 2015 FE HE SORP, a number of accounting policies have changed to comply with those standards.

An explanation of how the transition to FRS 102 and the 2015 FE HE SORP has affected the College's financial position, financial performance and cash flows, is set out in Note 27.

The College generated a surplus before other comprehensive income in the year of £443,000 (2014/15 restated surplus of £723,000) with total comprehensive income of £(142,000), (2014/15 £525,000). Net assets at  $31^{st}$  July 2016 were £12,161,000 ( $31^{st}$  July 2015 restated £12,303,000).

The College generated £1,007,000 of cash from operating activities in the year (2014/15 restated £1,481,000). Cash and short term investments at  $31^{st}$  July 2016 were £3,359,000 ( $31^{st}$  July 2015 £3,434,000).

During the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016, the College repaid £76,000 of its bank loans.

The College has significant reliance on education sector funding bodies for its principal funding source, largely from recurrent grants. In 2015/16 the funding bodies provided 93% of the College's total income (2014/15 94%).

### Treasury policies and objectives

Treasury management is the management of the College's cash flows, its banking, money market and capital market transactions; the effective control of the risks associated with those activities; and the pursuit of optimum performance consistent with those risks. The College's financial regulations include a treasury management policy.

All borrowing requires the authorisation of the Corporation and must comply with the requirements of the College's Funding Agreement.



### **CURRENT AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENT AND PERFORMANCE**

#### **Student Numbers**

During the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016, the College has delivered estimated activity of £10,212,000 in funding body main allocation funding (2014/15 - £10,218,000). The College achieved 2,165 learners.

### **Student Achievements**

The success of the College remains high, as shown in the following 3 year analysis:

Overall Performance (data source Pro-Achieve)

		ţ	Succ	ess	F	Reten	tion	Ac	hieve	ment	High Grades
Year	Starts	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
		S	BS	S-BS	S	BS	S-BS	S	BS	S-BS	S
2015/16	7,002	94	88	6	97	93	4	98	95	2	52
2014/15	7,415	93	87	6	97	93	4	96	94	2	51
2013/14	7,506	93	87	6	96	93	3	97	94	3	54

S = College Performance BS = Benchmark

High grades are for graded courses only



#### **Curriculum Developments**

The College is a provider of 'distinct 16–19 provision', as described in the DfE's guidelines '*Principles underpinning the organisation of 16–19 provision*'.

The most substantial areas of work are in Science and Mathematics, Business Studies, Public Services, Information and Communication Technology, Sports, Leisure & Tourism, Visual Arts, Performing Arts & Media, Humanities and English & Communications.

The College works closely with a number of schools in the area to ensure that its provision meets the progression needs of local young people; where these needs cannot be met, students are offered detailed advice through partner schools liaison regarding courses in local general further education colleges.

The College has four 'partner schools'. Approximately 39% of the 2015/16 intake came from these schools.

There is a strategic understanding with East Surrey College regarding the range of courses offered by each college. This arrangement ensures that the full breadth of vocational and academic qualifications is provided for the local and regional community.

The College offers all students a range of vocational short courses to enhance their AS and A level provision.

Outside the classroom, an activities programme offers a wide variety of opportunities. In June each year Lower 6 students participate in an Activities Week. This year, over 70 diverse activities were offered which catered for all interests. An active students' union contributes to the community ethos of the College.

### **Principal**

Mr S P Oxlade has resigned as Principal with effect from 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016. Mr N J Clark has been appointed as Principal, and Mr C P Whelan has been appointed as Chief Executive with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016.

### **Payment Performance**

The Late Payment of Commercial Debts (Interest) Act 1998, which came into force on 1<sup>st</sup> November 1998, requires colleges, in the absence of agreement to the contrary, to make payments to suppliers within 30 days of either the provision of goods or services or the date on which the invoice was received. The target set by the Treasury for payment to suppliers within 30 days is 95%. During the accounting period the College exceeded this target. The College incurred less than £25 (2015 less than £25) of interest charges in respect of late payment for this period.

### Events after the end of the reporting period

No significant events have occurred in the period since 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016.

### Outcome of the area based review for Surrey

The steering group recommended that Reigate College form a multi - academy trust. The planned implementation date is 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017. Key stages, however, need to be completed and therefore at the time of signing the financial statements, the College considers that the going concern status of Reigate College is unaffected by this and remains appropriate.



### **RESOURCES**

The College has various resources that it can deploy in pursuit of its strategic objectives.

#### **Financial**

The College has £12,161,000 of net assets (after £2,587,000 pension liability) and long term debt of £183,000. Tangible resources include the main college site and the sports field.

#### People

During the year the College employed an average of 178 people (expressed as full time equivalents), of whom 109 are teaching staff.

### Reputation

The College has an excellent reputation locally and nationally. Maintaining a quality brand is essential for the College's success at attracting students and external relationships.

### PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The College has undertaken further work during the year to develop and embed the system of internal control, including financial, operational and risk management which is designed to protect the College's assets and reputation.

Based on the strategic plan, the Senior Leadership Team undertakes a comprehensive review of the risks to which the College is exposed. They identify systems and procedures, including specific preventable actions which should mitigate any potential impact on the College. The internal controls are then implemented and the subsequent year's appraisal will review their effectiveness and progress against risk mitigation actions. In addition to the annual review, the Senior Management Team will also consider any risks which may arise as a result of a new area of work being undertaken by the College.

A risk register is maintained at the College level which is reviewed regularly by the Senior Leadership team and at least annually by the Audit Committee and more frequently where necessary. The risk register identifies the key risks, the likelihood of those risks occurring, their potential impact on the College and the actions being taken to reduce and mitigate the risks. Risks are prioritised using a consistent scoring system.

This is supported by a risk management training programme to raise awareness of risk throughout the College.

Outlined below is a description of the principal risk factors that may affect the College. Not all the factors are within the College's control. Other factors besides those listed below may also adversely affect the College.

#### 1. Failure to deliver participation targets

This could occur if either an insufficient number of students apply, or the College makes inaccurate predictions/estimates of numbers of students enrolling and being retained.

To mitigate this risk, the College has robust marketing and publicity procedures. Curriculum expansion is being considered in order to stimulate new markets. The senior management team regularly reviews application numbers and patterns to ensure the target number of students is enrolled.



### 2. Government funding

The College has considerable reliance on continued government funding through the Education Funding Agency. In 2015/16, 93% of the College's revenue was public funded and this level is expected to continue. There can be no assurance that government policy or practice will remain the same or that public funding will continue at the same levels or on the same terms.

The College is aware of an issue which may impact on future funding:

 The demand led funding system which applies a series of factors such as retention rates and social disadvantage to calculate an amount of funding to be received for each learner. Funding has been significantly reduced since 2011 and further cuts are yet to be announced.

This risk is mitigated in a number of ways:

- By ensuring the College is rigorous in delivering high quality education and training.
- Considerable focus and investment is placed on maintaining and managing key relationships with the various funding bodies.
- Ensuring the College is focused on those priority sectors which will continue to benefit from public funding.
- Taking a pro-active role in area based reviews.
- Regular dialogue with the funding bodies.

### 3. Failure to achieve key performance targets

The College would be at risk if its aggregate success rates fall below Sixth Form College benchmarks. There is a wide range of policies and systems in place to mitigate this risk, including lesson observations, the Learner Improvement Programme, departmental self-assessment, and the A Level AB grade value-added strategy.

### 4. Failure to provide appropriate infrastructure and resources

The College would be at risk if its accommodation and physical resources were insufficient in terms of volume or quality to meet curriculum needs, or if its human resources were insufficient in terms of experience and/or qualifications to meet curriculum and support needs. The College's financial plan includes investment in its accommodation and physical resources, including maintenance and refurbishment as needed. There are disaster recovery plans in place for the College's premises and IT. The College's staff recruitment and staff development policies ensure that all staff are suitably experienced and qualified.

#### 5. Loss of key staff

If the duties and responsibilities of specialised staff could not be covered within an acceptable timeframe, the College would be at risk. The College organisation chart shows how roles of key specialised staff can be covered at all levels for short terms.

### 6. Maintain adequate funding of pension liabilities

The College's employees belong to two principal post-employment benefit plans: 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 Surrey County Council. Both are multi-employer defined benefit plans. The TPS is an unfunded scheme. The financial statements report the share of the Local Government Pension Scheme deficit on the College's balance sheet in line with the requirements of FRS102. Further information is provided in Note 24.

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### Members' Report (continued)

### STAKEHOLDER RELATIONSHIPS

In line with other colleges and with universities, Reigate College has many stakeholders. These include:

- Students;
- Education sector funding bodies;
- Sixth Form Commissioner;
- Staff;
- Local employers (with specific links);
- Local Authorities;
- Government Offices / Regional Development Agencies / LEPs;
- Local community;
- Other FE institutions;
- Trade unions:
- Professional bodies.

The College recognises the importance of these relationships and engages in regular communication with them through the College Internet site and by meetings.

#### Equal opportunities and employment of disabled persons

The College aims to encourage all individuals to achieve their full potential by ensuring individuals treat each other with respect, regardless of race (including colour, nationality and ethnic origin), culture, gender, age, health status, disability, linguistic differences, sexuality, sexual orientation, political or religious beliefs, income, social class or any other factor which is not considered relevant. This policy is resourced, implemented and monitored on a planned basis. The College's Equal Opportunities Policy, including its Race Relations Policy and Disability Policy, is available from the Personnel Office. The College is a 'Positive about Disabled' employer and has committed to the principles and objectives of the Positive about Disabled standard. The College considers all employment applications from disabled persons, bearing in mind the aptitudes of the individuals concerned, and guarantees an interview to any disabled applicant who meets the essential criteria for the post. Where an existing employee becomes disabled, every effort is made to ensure that employment with the College continues. The College's policy is to provide training, career development and opportunities for promotion which, as far as possible, provide identical opportunities to those of non-disabled employees. The College has also implemented an Equality & Diversity training programme which all staff have attended. Refresher training and training for new starters is carried out on an ongoing basis.



### **Disability statement**

The College seeks to achieve the objectives set down in the Equality Act 2010:.

- The College has appointed a Learning Support Manager who provides information, advice and arranges support where necessary for students with disabilities.
- There is a range of specialist equipment and assistive technology which the College can make available for use by students.
- The admissions policy for all students is available on the College's website. Appeals against a decision not to offer a place are handled by the Principal.
- The College has made a significant investment in the appointment of learning facilitators to support students with learning difficulties and/or disabilities. There is a continuing programme of staff development to ensure the provision of a high level of appropriate support for students who have learning difficulties and/or disabilities.
- Achievements and destinations are recorded and evaluated by the College Equality Committee.
- Counselling and welfare services are described in the College Student Diary, which is issued to students together with the Student Code of Conduct leaflets at induction.

#### Disclosure of information to the auditor

The members who held office at the date of approval of this report confirm that, so far as they are each aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the College's auditors are unaware; and each member has taken all the steps that he or she ought to have taken to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the College's auditors are aware of that information.

Approved by order of the members of the Corporation on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2016 and signed on its behalf by:

M Jones

Mr M Jones Chair



### **Statement of Corporate Governance and Internal Control**

The following statement is provided to enable readers of the annual report and accounts of the College to obtain a better understanding of its governance and legal structure.

The College endeavours to conduct its business:

- in accordance with the seven principles identified by the Committee on Standards in Public Life (selflessness, integrity, objectivity, accountability, openness, honesty and leadership);and
- having due regard to the UK Corporate Governance Code ("the Code") insofar as it is applicable to the further education sector

The College is committed to exhibiting best practice in all aspects of corporate governance. We have not adopted and therefore do not apply the UK Corporate Governance code or the Foundation Code. We have reported on our Corporate Governance arrangements by drawing upon best practice available, including those aspects of the UK Corporate Governance Code we consider to be relevant to the further education sector and best practice. The Governing Body recognises that, as a body entrusted with both public and private funds, it has a particular duty to observe the highest standards of corporate governance at all times.

The College is an exempt charity within the meaning of Part 3 of the Charities Act 2011. The Governors, who are also the Trustees for the purposes of the Charities Act 2011, confirm that they have had due regard for the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and that the required statements appear elsewhere in these financial statements.



### **The Corporation**

The members who served on the Corporation during the year and up to the date of signature of this report were as listed in the table below.

Name	Date of Appointment	Term of Office	Date of Resignation	Status of Appointment	Committees Served	Meetings Attended / Total Meetings
Mr M Coleman	08 December 2003 Re-appointed: 07 December 2007 07 December 2011 07 December 2015	4 years		External Member	Audit (Chair), Personnel & Remuneration and Search & Governance	13/14
Mr I Fortune	02 December 2009 Re-appointed: 03 July 2013	4 years	15 November 2016	External Member	Personnel (Chair), Personnel & Remuneration, Search & Governance	11/11
Mr N Grant	11 December 2012	4 years	13 December 2016	External Member	Audit	6/10
Mr R Hails (Vice Chair)	07 July 2003 Reappointed: 27 September 2007 27 September 2011 27 September 2015	4 years		External Member	Management, Personnel & Remuneration, Search & Governance	15/16
Mrs S Hopper	20 September 2004 Re-appointed: 19 September 2008 09 October 2012 27 September 2016	4 years		Staff Member	Development & Standards	11/11
Mr M Jones (Chair)	27 September 2005 Re-appointed: 27 September 200927 September 2013	4 years		External Member	Chair of the Corporation, Personnel & Remuneration, Search & Governance	11/12
Ms D Hughes	1 January 2015	4 years		External Member	Development & Standards (Chair from 1 January 2016)	11/11
Mr S Hewes	1 January 2015	4 years		External Member	Audit	11/11
Mr C McSharry	1 January 2015	4 years		External Member	Management	11/12

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Name	Date of Appointment	Term of Office	Date of Resignation	Status of Appointment	Committees Served	Meetings Attended / Total Meetings
Mr S P Oxlade	1 January 2012	Ex officio	31 August 2016	Principal and Accounting Officer	Development & Standards, Management, Personnel, Search & Governance	16/17
Mr N Clark	1 September 2016	Ex Officio		Principal	Development & Standards, Management, Personnel, Search & Governance	N/A
Mr C Whelan	1 September 2016	Ex Officio		Chief Executive and Accounting Officer	Development & Standards, Management, Personnel, Search & Governance	N/A
Ms P Frankland	16 December 2015	4 years		External Member	Development & Standards	7/8
Mr D Crease	1 September 2015	1 year	31 July 2016	Student Member	Development & Standards	8/8
Mr A Warner	1 September 2015	1 year	31 July 2016	Student Member	Development & Standards	7/8
Mr R Stephen	11 December 2012 Re-appointed: 11 December 2016	4 years		External Member	Management (Chair), Personnel & Remuneration, Search & Governance	12/16
Mrs J Tindle	7 July 2003 Reappointed: 26 September 2007 26 September 2011 26 September 2015	4 years	31 December 2015	External Member	Development & Standards (Chair to 31 December 2015), Personnel & Remuneration, Search & Governance	5/6
Ms S Ferguson	1 November 2015	4 years		Staff member	Development & Standards	10/11
Mr A Lee	1 August 2015	4 years	31 July 2016	External member	Audit	4/11
Mr A Mackenzie	1 September 2016	1 year		Student Member	Development & Standards	N/A
Mr J Crook	1 September 2016	1 year		Student Member	Development & Standards	N/A

Mr J Allen acts as Clerk to the Corporation.



It is the Corporation's responsibility to bring independent judgement to bear on issues of strategy, performance, resources and standards of conduct.

The Corporation is provided with regular and timely information on the overall financial performance of the College together with other information such as performance against funding targets, proposed capital expenditure, quality matters and personnel related matters such as health and safety and environmental issues. The Corporation meets each term.

The Corporation conducts its business through a number of committees. Each committee has terms of reference, which have been approved by the Corporation. These committees are Development and Standards, Management, Personnel & Remuneration, Search and Governance, and Audit. Full minutes of all meetings, except those deemed to be confidential by the Corporation, are available on the College's website (www.reigate.ac.uk) or from the Clerk to the Corporation at:

Reigate College Castlefield Road Reigate Surrey, RH2 OSD

The Clerk to the Corporation maintains a register of financial and personal interests of the governors. The register is available for inspection at the above address.

All governors are able to take independent professional advice in furtherance of their duties at the College's expense and have access to the Clerk to the Corporation, who is responsible to the Board for ensuring that all applicable procedures and regulations are complied with. The appointment, evaluation and removal of the Clerk are matters for the Corporation as a whole.

Formal agendas, papers and reports are supplied to governors in a timely manner, prior to Board meetings. Briefings are also provided on an ad-hoc basis.

The Corporation has a strong and independent non-executive element and no individual or group dominates its decision making process. The Corporation considers that each of its non-executive members is independent of management and free from any business or other relationship which could materially interfere with the exercise of their independent judgement.

There is a clear division of responsibility in that the roles of the Chairman and Accounting Officer are separate.

### **Appointments to the Corporation**

Any new appointments to the Corporation are a matter for the consideration of the Corporation as a whole. The Corporation has a Search and Governance Committee responsible for the selection and nomination of any new member for the Corporation's consideration. The Corporation is responsible for ensuring that appropriate training is provided as required.

Members of the Corporation are appointed for a term of office not exceeding 4 years.



#### **Corporation performance**

Governors bring an excellent range of skills and experience and attendance at meetings is good. They have effective oversight of the College's finances, student performance, curriculum development, quality assurance systems, personnel matters and its audit activities. An induction programme for Governors is in place and opportunities for training and development are clear.

The Corporation is well structured and administered, with a suitable range of sub-committees. The Clerk is very effective. The minutes are purposeful and relevant.

Governors are well informed, receiving sufficient data and analysis to contribute effectively to planning and monitoring the work of the College.

### **Personnel & Remuneration Committee**

One of the Committee's responsibilities is to make recommendations to the Corporation on the remuneration and benefits of the Principal and the Chief Executive. Details of the Principal's remuneration for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016 is set out in note 7 to the financial statements. The Chief Executive was appointed on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016 and hence no remuneration is disclosed for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016.

#### **Audit Committee**

The Committee operates in accordance with written terms of reference approved by the Corporation. Its purpose is to advise the Corporation on the adequacy and effectiveness of the College's systems of internal control and its arrangements for risk management, control and governance processes.

The Audit Committee meets every term and provides a forum for reporting by the College's internal, regularity and financial statements auditors, who have access to the Committee for independent discussion, without the presence of College Management. The Committee also receives and considers reports from the main FE funding bodies, as they affect the College's business.

The College's internal auditors review the systems of internal control, risk management controls and governance processes in accordance with an agreed plan of input, and report their findings to the Audit Committee.

Management is responsible for the implementation of agreed recommendations, and the internal auditors undertake periodic follow-up reviews to ensure such recommendations have been implemented.

The Audit Committee also advises the Corporation on the appointment of internal, regularity and financial statements auditors and their remuneration for both audit and non-audit work as well as reporting annually to the Corporation.



#### Internal control

Scope of responsibility

The Corporation is ultimately responsible for the College's system of internal control and for reviewing its effectiveness. 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 Corporation has delegated the day-to-day responsibility to the Accounting Officer (this was the Principal until 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016, and the Chief Executive thereafter), for maintaining a sound system of internal control that supports the achievement of the College's policies, aims and objectives, whilst safeguarding the public funds and assets for which he is personally responsible, in accordance with the responsibilities assigned to him in the Funding Agreement between the College and the funding bodies. He is also responsible for reporting to the Corporation any material weaknesses or breakdowns in internal control.

The purpose of the system of internal control

The system of internal control is designed to manage risk to a reasonable level rather than to eliminate all risk of failure to achieve policies, aims and objectives; it can therefore only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance of effectiveness. The system of internal control is based on an ongoing process designed to identify and prioritise the risks to the achievement of college 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 Reigate College for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and accounts.

### Capacity to handle risk

The Corporation has reviewed the key risks to which the College is exposed, together with the operating, financial and compliance controls that have been implemented to mitigate those risks. The Corporation is of the view that there is a formal on-going process for identifying, evaluating and managing the College's significant risks that has been in place for the period ended 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016 and up to the date of approval of the annual report and accounts. This process is regularly reviewed by the Corporation.

#### The risk and control framework

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

- comprehensive budgeting systems with an annual budget which is reviewed and agreed by the governing body;
- regular reviews by the governing body of periodic and annual financial reports which indicate financial performance against forecasts;
- setting targets to measure financial and other performance;
- clearly defined capital investment control guidelines;
- the adoption of formal project management disciplines, where appropriate.



The College has an independent internal audit service which operates in accordance with the requirements of the EFA and SFA'S *Joint Audit Code of Practice*. The work of the internal audit service is informed by an analysis of the risks to which the College is exposed, and annual internal audit plans are based on this analysis. The analysis of risks and the internal audit plans are endorsed by the Corporation on the recommendation of the Audit Committee. At minimum, annually, the Head of Internal Audit (HIA) provides the governing body with a report on internal audit activity in the College. The report includes the HIA's independent opinion on the adequacy and effectiveness of the College's system of risk management, controls and governance processes.

#### Review of effectiveness

As Accounting Officer, the Chief Executive (from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2016), previously the Principal (until 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016), has responsibility for reviewing the effectiveness of the system of internal control. His review of the effectiveness of the system of internal control is informed by:

- the work of the internal auditors
- the work of the executive managers within the College who have responsibility for the development and maintenance of the internal control framework
- comments made by the College's financial statements auditors and the regularity auditors in their management letters and other reports.

The Accounting Officer has been advised on the implication of the result of his review of the effectiveness of the system of internal control by the Audit Committee which oversees the work of the internal auditor and other sources of assurance, and a plan to address weaknesses and ensure continuous improvement of the system is in place.

The Senior Management Team receives reports setting out key performance and risk indicators and considers possible control issues brought to their attention by early warning mechanisms, which are embedded within the departments and reinforced by risk awareness training. The Senior Management Team and the Audit Committee also receive regular reports from internal audit and other sources of assurance, which include recommendations for improvement. The Audit Committee's role in this area is confined to a high-level review of the arrangements for internal control. The Corporation's agenda includes a regular item for consideration of risk and control and receives reports thereon from the Senior Management Team and the Audit Committee. The emphasis is on obtaining the relevant degree of assurance and not merely reporting by exception. At its December 2016 meeting the Corporation carried out the annual assessment for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016 by considering documentation from the senior management team and internal audit, and taking account of events since 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016.

Based on the advice of the Audit Committee and the Accounting Officer, the Corporation is of the opinion that the College has an adequate and effective framework for governance, risk management and control, and has fulfilled its statutory responsibility for the effective and efficient use of resources, the solvency of the institution and the body and the safeguarding of their assets.



### Going concern

The activities of the College, together with the factors likely to affect its future development and performance are set out in the Members' Report. The financial position of the College, its cashflow, liquidity and borrowings are described in the Financial Statements and accompanying Notes.

The College currently has £260,000 of loans outstanding with bankers, secured by a charge on College assets. The College's forecasts and financial projections indicate that it will be able to operate within this existing facility for the foreseeable future.

Accordingly the College has a reasonable expectation that it has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, and for this reason will continue to adopt the going concern basis in the preparation of its Financial Statements.

Approved by order of the members of the Corporation on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2016 and signed on its behalf by:

M Jones C P Whelan

Mr M Jones Mr C P Whelan

Chair Accounting Officer

13<sup>th</sup> December 2016 13<sup>th</sup> December 2016



# Governing Body's statement on the College's regularity, propriety and compliance with Funding body terms and conditions of funding

The Corporation has considered its responsibility to notify the Education Funding Agency of material irregularity, impropriety and non-compliance with Education Funding Agency terms and conditions of funding, under the funding agreement in place between the College and the Education Funding Agency. As part of our consideration we have had due regard to the requirements of the funding agreement.

We confirm, on behalf of the Corporation, that after due enquiry, and to the best of our knowledge, we are able to identify any material irregular or improper use of funds by the College, or material non-compliance with the Education Funding Agency's terms and conditions of funding under the College's funding agreement.

We 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 Education Funding Agency.

M Jones C P Whelan

Mr M Jones Mr C P Whelan

Chair Accounting Officer

13<sup>th</sup> December 2016 13<sup>th</sup> December 2016



### Statement of Responsibilities of the Members of the Corporation

The members of the Corporation are required to present audited financial statements for each financial year.

Within the terms of the Funding Agreement between the Education Funding Agency and the Corporation of the College, the Corporation, through its Accounting Officer, is required to prepare financial statements for each financial year in accordance with the 2015 Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting for Further and Higher Education and with the College Accounts Direction for 2015 to 2016 issued jointly by the Skills Funding Agency and the Education Funding Agency, and which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the College and the result for that year.

In preparing the financial statements, the Corporation is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and 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
- prepare financial statements on the going concern basis, unless it is inappropriate to assume that the College will continue in operation.

The Corporation is also required to prepare a Members' Report which describes what it is trying to do and how it is going about it, including the legal and administrative status of the College.

The Corporation is responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy, at any time, the financial position of the College, and which enable it to ensure that the financial statements are prepared in accordance with the relevant legislation of incorporation and other relevant accounting standards. It is responsible for taking steps that are reasonably open to it in order to safeguard the assets of the College and to prevent and detect fraud and other irregularities.

The maintenance and integrity of the College website is the responsibility of the Corporation of the College; the work carried out by the auditors does not involve consideration of these matters and, accordingly, the auditors accept no responsibility for any changes that may have occurred to the financial statements since they were initially presented on the website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

Members of the Corporation are responsible for ensuring that expenditure and income are applied for the purposes intended by Parliament and that the financial transactions conform to the authorities which govern them. In addition they are responsible for ensuring that funds from the Education Funding Agency are used only in accordance with the Financial Agreement with the Education Funding Agency and any other conditions that may be prescribed from time to time. Members of the Corporation must ensure that there are appropriate financial and management controls in place in order to safeguard public and other funds and to ensure they are used properly. In addition, members of the Corporation are responsible for securing economical, efficient and effective management of the College's resources and expenditure, so that the benefits that should be derived from the application of public funds from the Education Funding Agency are not put at risk.

Approved by order of the members of the Corporation on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2016 and signed on its behalf by:

M Jones

Mr M Jones Chair



# Independent Auditor's Report to the Corporation of Reigate College for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016

We have audited the College financial statements ("the Financial Statements") set out on pages 22 to 51. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is United Kingdom accounting standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland", as set out in our engagement letter dated 12<sup>th</sup> November 2015.

This report is made solely to the Corporation, as a body, in accordance with the Funding Agreement published by the Education Funding Agency and our engagement letter dated 12<sup>th</sup> November 2015. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Corporation, as a body, those matters we are required under our engagement letter dated 12<sup>th</sup> November 2015 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 Corporation, as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

### Respective Responsibilities of the Corporation of Reigate College and Auditor

As explained more fully in the Statement of the Corporation's Responsibilities set out on page 20, the Corporation is responsible for the preparation of financial statements which give a true and fair view.

Our responsibility is to audit, and express an opinion on, the Financial Statements in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 12<sup>th</sup> November 2015, Joint Audit Code of Practice issued by the Skills Funding Agency and Education Funding Agency and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). The International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's (APB's) Ethical Standards for Auditors.

### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

A description of the scope of an audit of financial statements is provided on the Financial Reporting Council's website at <a href="http://www.frc.org.uk/auditscopeukprivate">http://www.frc.org.uk/auditscopeukprivate</a>

### **Opinion on financial statements**

In our opinion, the Financial Statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the College's affairs as at 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016 and of the College's surplus of income over expenditure for the year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

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

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the revised Joint Audit Code of Practice (Part 1) issued jointly by the Skills Funding Agency and the Education Funding Agency requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- proper accounting records have not been kept;
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations required for our audit.

RSM UK Audit LLP RSM UK AUDIT LLP Chartered Accountants Portland 25 High Street Crawley West Sussex

Date: 14/12/16

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## **Statement of Comprehensive Income**

		Year ended 31st July 2016	Year ended 31st July 2015
	Notes	£'000	£'000
INCOME	_		
Funding body grants	2	10,409	10,446
Tuition fees and education contracts Other income	3 4	16 650	17 600
Investment income	5	17	18
Donations and Endowments	6	59	41
	-		
Total income		11,151	11,122
EXPENDITURE			
Staff costs	7	7,526	7,240
Other operating expenses	8	2,558	2,606
Depreciation	11	552	487
Interest and other finance costs	9	72	66
Total expenditure		10,708	10,399
Surplus before tax		443	723
Taxation	10		
Surplus for the year		443	723
Actuarial loss in respect of pensions schemes	24	(585)	(198)
Total Comprehensive Income for the year		(142)	525
Represented by:			
Unrestricted comprehensive income Restricted comprehensive income		( 142) 	525 
		(142)	525



## **Statement of Changes in Reserves**

	Income and Expenditure account	Revaluation reserve	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Restated at 1st August 2014	9,091	2,687	11,778
Surplus from the income and expenditure account	814	-	814
Other comprehensive income Transfers between revaluation and income and	(289)	-	(289)
expenditure reserves	57	(57)	_
	(232)	(57)	(289)
Balance at 31st July 2015	9,673	2,630	12,303
Surplus from the income and expenditure account	443	-	443
Actuarial loss in respect of pension schemes	(585)	-	(585)
Transfers between revaluation and income and expenditure reserves	57	(57)	-
Total comprehensive income for the year	(85)	(57)	(142)
Balance at 31st July 2016	9,588	2,573	12,161

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### **Balance Sheet**

	Notes	31st July 2016 £'000	Restated 31st July 2015 £'000
Non current assets			
Tangible assets Investments	11 12	14,286	14,148
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		14,286	14,148
Current assets			
Stocks		10	9
Debtors	13	86	37
Investments		804	1,003
Cash at bank and in hand		2,555	2,431
		3,455	3,480
Less: Creditors – amounts falling due within one year	14	(1,357)	(1,736)
Net current assets		2,098	1,744
Total assets less current liabilities		16,384	15,892
Creditors – amounts falling due after more than one year	15	(1,636)	(1,765)
Provisions		(0.707)	(4.00.1)
Defined benefit obligations	24	(2,587)	(1,824)
Total net assets		12,161	12,303
Unrestricted Reserves			
Income and expenditure account	21	9,588	9,673
Revaluation reserve		2,573	2,630
Total unrestricted reserves		12,161	12,303

The financial statements on pages 22 to 51 were approved by the Corporation and authorised for issue on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2016 and were signed on its behalf by:

M Jones C P Whelan

Mr M Jones Mr C P Whelan Chair Accounting Officer

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## **Statement of Cash Flows**

	Notes	Year ended 31st July 2016 £'000	Restated Year ended 31st July 2015 £'000
Cash flow from operating activities Surplus / (Deficit) for the year		443	723
Adjustment for non-cash items Depreciation (Increase) / decrease in stocks		552 (1)	487 (1)
(Increase) / decrease in debtors Increase / (decrease) in creditors due within one year Increase / (decrease) in creditors due after one year		(49) (50) (53)	88 53 (3)
Pensions costs less contributions payable Changes to measurement of net finance cost on defined benefit plans		110 68	86 61
Adjustment for investing or financing activities Investment income Interest payable	-	(17)	(18)
Net cash flow from operating activities  Cash flows from investing activities	-	1,007	1,481
Investment income Payments made to acquire fixed assets	-	17 (1,019) (1,002)	(743) (725)
Cash flows from financing activities Interest paid		(4)	(5)
Repayment of amounts borrowed	-	(76) (80)	(93) (98)
Increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents in the year		(75)	658
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of the year	17	3,434	2,776
Cash and cash equivalents at end of the year	17	3,359	3,434



### 1 Accounting policies

#### Statement of accounting policies

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the financial statements.

### **Basis of Preparation**

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting for Further and Higher Education 2015 (the 2015 FE HE SORP), the College Accounts Direction for 2015 to 2016 and in accordance with Financial Reporting Standard 102 – "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland" (FRS 102) under the historical cost convention.

#### Transition to the 2015 FE HE SORP

The College is preparing its financial statements in accordance with FRS 102 for the first time and consequently has applied the first time adoption requirements. Some of the FRS 102 recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure requirements and accounting policy choices differ from previous UK GAAP. Consequently, the College has amended certain accounting policies to comply with FRS 102 and the 2015 FE HE SORP. The College has also taken advantage of certain exemptions from the requirements of FRS 102 permitted by FRS 102 Chapter 35 'Transition to this FRS'.

An explanation of how the transition to the 2015 FE HE SORP has affected the reported financial position, financial performance and cash flows of the consolidated results of the College is provided in note 27.

The 2015 FE HE SORP requires colleges to prepare a single statement of comprehensive income, and not the alternative presentation of a separate income statement and a statement of other comprehensive income. This represents a change in accounting policy from the previous period where separate statements for the Income and Expenditure account and for the Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses were presented.

The application of first time adoption allows certain exemptions from the full requirements of the FRS 102 and the 2015 FE HE SORP in the transition period. The following exemptions have been taken in these financial statements:

 Revaluation as deemed cost – at 1<sup>st</sup> August 2014, the College has retained the carrying values of previously revalued freehold properties as being deemed cost.

### **Basis of Accounting**

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the use of previous valuations as deemed cost at transition for certain non-current assets.

#### Basis of consolidation

The financial statements include the results of the College only on the basis that the results of Castlefield Enterprises Limited which is dormant and 100% owned by the College are immaterial to the College. Accordingly a consolidated income and expenditure account and balance sheet has not been prepared for the year under review. In accordance with FRS 102, the activities of the student union have not been consolidated because the College does not control those activities. The financial statements are made up to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016. In the opinion of the governors, the College does not have control of Coulsdon Sixth Form College, and hence it is not included in the financial statements.

### **Going Concern**

The activities of the College, together with the factors likely to affect its future development and performance are set out in the Members' Report. The financial position of the College, its cashflow, liquidity and borrowings are described in the Financial Statements and accompanying Notes. The College currently has £260,000 of loans outstanding with bankers, secured by a charge on College assets. The College's forecasts and financial projections indicate that it will be able to operate within this existing facility for the foreseeable future



### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

Accordingly the College has a reasonable expectation that it has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future, and for this reason will continue to adopt the going concern basis in the preparation of its Financial Statements.

### **Recognition of Income**

Government revenue grants include funding body recurrent grants and other grants and are accounted for under the accrual model as permitted by FRS 102, and are recognised in line with best estimates for the period of what is receivable and depend on the particular income stream involved. 16-18 learner-responsive funding is not normally subject to reconciliation and is therefore not subject to contract adjustments; the income recognised is the allocation for the year.

Non-recurrent grants from the bodies received in respect of the acquisition of fixed assets are treated as deferred capital grants and amortised in line with depreciation over the life of the assets.

Income from grants, contracts and other services rendered is included to the extent the conditions of the funding have been met or the extent of the completion of the contract or service. All income from tuition fees from students and short-term deposits is credited to the income and expenditure account in the period in which they are earned.

### Accounting for post-employment benefits

Post-employment benefits to employees of the College are principally provided by the Teachers' Pension Scheme (TPS) and the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS). These are defined benefit plans, which are externally funded and contracted out of the State Second Pension.

The TPS is an unfunded scheme. Contributions to the TPS are calculated so as to spread the cost of pensions over employees' working lives with the College in such a way that the pension cost is a substantially level percentage of current and future pensionable payroll. The contributions are determined by qualified actuaries on the basis of valuations using a prospective benefit method. The TPS is a multi-employer scheme and the College is unable to identify its share of the underlying assets and liabilities of the scheme on a consistent and reasonable basis. The TPS is therefore treated as a defined contribution plan and the contributions recognised as an expense in the income statement in the periods during which services are rendered by employees.

The LGPS is a funded scheme. The assets of the LGPS are measured using closing fair values. LGPS liabilities are measured using the projected unit credit method and discounted at the current rate of return on a high quality corporate bond of equivalent term and currency to the liabilities. The actuarial valuations are obtained at least triennially and are updated at each balance sheet date. The amounts charged to operating surplus are the current service costs and the costs of scheme introductions, benefit changes, settlements and curtailments. They are included as part of staff costs as incurred. Net interest on the net defined benefit liability/asset is also recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income 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 the statement of comprehensive income.



### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

### Short term employment benefits

Short term employment benefits such as salaries and compensated absences (holiday pay) are recognised as an expense in the year in which the employees render service to the College. Any unused benefits are accrued and measured as the additional amount the College expects to pay as a result of the unused entitlement.

### Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Certain items of fixed assets that had been revalued to fair value on or prior to the date of transition to the 2015 FE HE SORP, are measured on the basis of deemed cost, being the revalued amount at the date of that revaluation.

### **Land and Buildings**

Land and buildings inherited from the Local Education Authority are stated in the balance sheet at valuation on the basis of depreciated replacement cost as the open market value for existing use is not readily obtainable. The associated credit is included in the revaluation reserve. The difference between depreciation charged on the historic cost of assets and the actual charge for the year calculated on the revalued amount is released to the income and expenditure reserve on an annual basis. Building improvements made since incorporation are included in the balance sheet at cost. Other buildings are included in the balance sheet at cost. Freehold land is not depreciated. Freehold buildings are depreciated over their expected useful economic life to the College of between 20 and 50 years. The College has a policy of depreciating major adaptations to buildings over the period of their useful economic life of between 10 and 50 years.

Where buildings are constructed with the aid of specific grants, they are capitalised and depreciated as above. The related grants are credited to a deferred capital grant account and are released to the income and expenditure account over the expected useful economic life of the related asset on a systematic basis consistent with the depreciation policy. The deferred income is allocated between creditors due within one year and those due after more than one year.

Finance costs which are directly attributable to the construction of buildings are not capitalised as part of the cost of these assets.

A review for impairment of a fixed asset is carried out if events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of the fixed asset may not be recoverable.

On adoption of FRS 102, the College followed the transitional provision to retain the book value of land and buildings, which were revalued in 1992, as deemed cost but not to adopt a policy of revaluations of these properties in the future.

### **Assets under construction**

Assets under construction are accounted for at cost, based on the value of architects' certificates and other direct costs, incurred to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016. They are not depreciated until they are brought into use.



### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

### Subsequent expenditure on existing fixed assets

Where significant expenditure is incurred on tangible fixed assets it is charged to the income and expenditure account in the period it is incurred, unless it meets one of the following criteria, in which case it is capitalised and depreciated on the relevant basis:

- Market value of the fixed asset has subsequently improved
- Asset capacity increases
- · Substantial improvement in the quality of output or reduction in operating costs
- Significant extension of the asset's life beyond that conferred by repairs and maintenance

### **Equipment**

Equipment costing less than £1,000 per individual item is written off to the income and expenditure account in the period of acquisition. All other equipment is capitalised at cost. Equipment inherited from the local education authority is included in the balance sheet at valuation.

Inherited equipment has been depreciated on a straight line basis over its remaining useful economic life to the College of between one and three years from incorporation and is now fully depreciated.

All assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their useful economic life as follows:

Building improvements

Motor vehicles

Computer equipment

Scientific and technical equipment

Over 20 years

Over 4 years

Over 3 years

Over 10 years

Where equipment is acquired with the aid of specific grants it is capitalised and depreciated in accordance with the above policy, with the related grant being credited to a deferred capital grant account and released to income and expenditure account over the expected useful economic life of the related equipment.

### **Borrowing costs**

Borrowing costs are recognised as expenditure in the period in which they are incurred.

### **Leased Assets**

Costs in respect of operating leases are charged to comprehensive income on a straight line basis over the lease term.

### Investments

Current asset investments comprise sums on short term deposits with recognised banks and building societies. The College's investment in its subsidiary company is included at cost.

### **Stocks**

Stocks are stated at the lower of their cost and net realisable value. Where necessary, provision is made for obsolete, slow-moving and defective stocks.

### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash includes cash in hand, deposits repayable on demand and overdrafts. Deposits are repayable on demand if they are in practice available within 24 hours without penalty.

Cash equivalents are short term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash with insignificant risk of change in value. An investment qualifies as a cash equivalent when it has maturity of 3 months or less from the date of acquisition.

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### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

#### Financial assets and liabilities

Financial assets and liabilities are recognised when the College becomes party to the contractual provision of the instrument.

All financial assets and liabilities are initially measured at transaction price (including transaction costs) unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction (in which case it is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest for a similar debt instrument). A financial asset or liability that is receivable or payable in one year is not discounted unless it is a financing transaction.

#### **Taxation**

The College is considered to pass the tests set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 Finance Act 2010 and therefore it meets the definition of a charitable company for UK corporation tax purposes. Accordingly, the College is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Chapter 3 Part 11 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.

The College receives no similar exemption in respect of Value Added Tax. For this reason the College is generally unable to recover input VAT it suffers on goods and services purchased. Capital costs and non-pay expenditure are therefore shown inclusive of VAT with any partial recovery netted off against these figures.

### **Provisions and contingent liabilities**

Provisions are recognised when the College has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the amount expected to be required to settle the obligation is recognised at present value using a pre-tax discount rate. The unwinding of the discount is recognised as a finance cost in the statement of comprehensive income in the period it arises.

A contingent liability arises from a past event that gives the College a possible obligation whose existence will only be confirmed by the occurrence or otherwise of uncertain future events not wholly within the control of the College. Contingent liabilities also arise in circumstances where a provision would otherwise be made but either it is not probable that an outflow of resources will be required or the amount of the obligation cannot be measured reliably.

Contingent liabilities are not recognised in the balance sheet but are disclosed in the notes to the financial statements.

### Agency arrangements

The College acts as an agent in the collection and payment of discretionary support funds. Related payments received from the funding bodies and subsequent disbursements to students are excluded from the income and expenditure of the College where the College is exposed to minimal risk or enjoys minimal economic benefit related to the transaction.



### 1 Accounting policies (continued)

### Judgements in applying accounting policies and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In preparing these financial statements, management have made the following judgements:

- Determine whether leases entered into by the College either as a lessor or a lessee are operating or finance leases. These decisions depend on an assessment of whether the risks and rewards of ownership have been transferred from the lessor to the lessee on a lease by lease basis.
- Determine whether there are indicators of impairment of the college's tangible assets, including goodwill. Factors taken into consideration in reaching such a decision include the economic viability and expected future financial performance of the asset and where it is a component of a larger cashgenerating unit, the viability and expected future performance of that unit.

Other key sources of estimation uncertainty

### Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are depreciated over their useful lives taking into account residual values, where appropriate. The actual lives of the assets and residual values are assessed annually and may vary depending on a number of factors. In re-assessing asset lives, factors such as technological innovation and maintenance programmes are taken into account. Residual value assessments consider issues such as future market conditions, the remaining life of the asset and projected disposal values.

#### Local Government Pension Scheme

The present value of the Local Government Pension Scheme defined benefit liability depends on a number of factors that are determined on an actuarial basis using a variety of assumptions. The assumptions used in determining the net cost (income) for pensions include the discount rate. Any changes in these assumptions, which are disclosed in note 24, will impact the carrying amount of the pension liability. Furthermore a roll forward approach which projects results from the latest full actuarial valuation performed at 31 March 2013 has been used by the actuary in valuing the pensions liability at 31 July 2016. Any differences between the figures derived from the roll forward approach and a full actuarial valuation would impact on the carrying amount of the pension liability.

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### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

## 2 Funding body grants

	Year ended 31st July 2016 £'000	Year ended 31st July 2015 £'000
Recurrent grants Education Funding Agency	10,351	10,388
Specific Grants Releases of government capital grants	58	58
Total	10,409	10,446
3 Tuition fees and education contracts		
	Year ended 31st July 2016 £'000	Year ended 31st July 2015 £'000
Tuition fees	16	17
4 Other income		
	Year ended 31st July 2016 £'000	Year ended 31st July 2015 £'000
Catering income Miscellaneous income	461 189	473 127
Total	650	600

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### NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

### 5 Investment income

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	Year ended 31st July 2016 £'000	Year ended 31st July 2015 £'000
Interest receivable	17	18
Total	17	18
6 Donations		
	Year ended	Year ended
	31st July	31st July
	2016	2015
	£'000	£'000
Unrestricted donations	59	41
Total	59	41



## 7 Staff costs

The average number of persons (including key management personnel) employed by the College during the year, described as full-time equivalents was:

year, described as full-time equivalents was.	Year ended 31st July 2016 No.	Year ended 31st July 2015 No.
Teaching staff	109	112
Non teaching staff	62	66
Catering staff	7	7
	178	185
Staff costs for the above persons	Year ended 31st July 2016 £'000	Year ended 31st July 2015 £'000
Wages and salaries	5,847	5,791
Social security costs Other pension costs	481	437
including FRS 102 (28) charge of £110,000 (2015 £86,000)	1,148	1,003
Settlement payments *	50	9
	7,526	7,240

<sup>\*</sup> Settlement payments made were non – contractual and approved by the Corporation.

Staff costs are reduced by £84,000 (2015 £90,000), which has been recharged to Coulsdon College and Holmesdale Infant School in respect of services provided.

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#### **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

## 7 Staff costs (continued)

#### Key management personnel

Key management personnel are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the College and are represented by the College Senior Leadership Team which comprised the Principal, and the two Deputy Principals during the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016.

#### . Emoluments of Key management personnel, Accounting Officer and other higher paid staff

	2016	2015
	No.	No.
The number of key management personnel including the Accounting Officer was:	3	3

The number of key management personnel and other staff who received annual emoluments, excluding pension contributions but including benefits in kind, in the following ranges was:

	Key managem	ent personnel	Other	staff
	Year ended	Year ended	Year ended	Year ended
	31st July	31st July	31st July	31st July
	2016	2015	2016	2015
	No.	No.	No.	No.
£60,001 to £70,000	2	2	-	1
£70,001 to £80,000	-	-	-	-
£110,001 to £120,000	1	1		
	3	3		1

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#### **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

## 7 Staff costs (continued)

Key management personnel emoluments are made up as follows:

	Year ended	Year ended
	31st July	31st July
	2016	2015
	£'000	£'000
Salaries	239	236
Pension contributions	39	33
Total emoluments	278	269

The above emoluments include amounts payable to the Accounting Officer (who is also the highest paid officer:

	Year ended 31st July 2016 £'000	Year ended 31st July 2015 £'000
Salaries	116	115
Pension contributions	19	16
Total emoluments	135	131

The members of the Corporation other than the Accounting Officer and the staff members did not receive any payment from the College other than the reimbursement of travel and subsistence expenses incurred in the course of their duties.

## 8 Other operating expenses

	Year ended 31st July 2016 £'000	Year ended 31st July 2015 £'000
Teaching costs Non teaching costs Premises costs Total	616 1,095 847 <b>2,558</b>	600 1,106 900 <b>2,606</b>
Other operating expenses include:	Year ended 31st July 2016 £'000	Year ended 31st July 2015 £'000
Other operating expenses include:  Auditors' remuneration:  Financial statements audit and regularity assurance report Internal audit	31st July 2016	31st July 2015



## 9 Interest payable

	Year ended 31st July 2016 £'000	Year ended 31st July 2015 £'000
On bank loans repayable wholly or partly in more than 5 years Pension finance costs	4 68	5 61
Total	72	66
10 Tax on profit on ordinary activities		
	Year ended 31st July 2016 £'000	Year ended 31st July 2015 £'000
Current taxation UK Corporation tax at 20%		<u>-</u>
UK corporation tax charge / (credit) for the period	-	
FRS 102 reconciliation of current tax charge		
Profit before tax	443	723
Tax on profit on ordinary activities at standard corporation tax rate of 20%	89	170
Less effect of: College profits exempt from corporation tax	(89)	(170)
Tax charge for the year		-

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#### **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

## 11 Tangible fixed assets

	Land & buildings £'000	Assets in the course of construction £'000	Equipment £'000	Total £'000
Cost or valuation				
At 1st August 2015	16,872	1,017	719	18,608
Additions	422	39	229	690
Transfers	1,017	(1,017)		-
Disposals	, -	-	(15)	(15)
At 31st July 2016	18,311	39	933	19,283
<b>Depreciation</b> At 1st August 2015	4,056	-	404	4,460
Charge for the year Elimination in respect of disposals	432 -	-	120 (15)	552 (15)
At 31st July 2016	4,488	-	509	4,997
Net book value at 31st July 2016	13,823	39	424	14,286
Net book value at 31st July 2015	12,816	1,017	315	14,148

Land and buildings with a net book value of £6m have been financed by exchequer funds, through the receipt of capital grants. Should these assets be sold, the College may be liable, under the terms of the Funding Agreement with the funding body, to surrender the proceeds.

Land and buildings were valued in 1994 at depreciated replacement cost by a firm of independent chartered surveyors. If inherited land and buildings had not been revalued before being deemed as cost on transition they would have been included at the following historical cost amounts:

	£,000
Cost	Nil
Aggregate depreciation based on cost	Nil
Net book value based on cost	Nil



#### 12 Investments

The College holds one ordinary share of £1 in a dormant subsidiary, Castlefield Enterprises Limited, which is 100% of the subsidiary's share capital.

#### 13 Debtors

	Year ended 31st July 2016 £'000	Year ended 31st July 2015 £'000
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	35	3
Prepayments and accrued income	51	34
Total	86	37

## 14 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Year ended 31st July 2016 £'000	Year ended 31st July 2015 £'000
Bank loans (note 16)	77	83
Payments received in advance	61	57
Trade creditors	140	568
Other creditors	110	88
Other taxation and social security	260	233
Accruals	651	649
Deferred income - government capital grants	58	58
Total	1,357	1,736

Included within accruals is an amount of £582,000 (2015 £554,000) in respect of accrued short term employment benefits.

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#### **NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

## 15 Creditors: amounts falling due after one year

	Year ended 31st July 2016 £'000	Year ended 31st July 2015 £'000
Bank loans (note 16) Deferred income - government capital grants	183 1,453	259 1,506
Total	1,636	1,765

## 16 Maturity of debt

	Year ended 31st July 2016	Year ended 31st July 2015
	£'000	£'000
Bank loans are repayable as follows:		
In one year or less	77	83
Between one and two years	32	77
Between two and five years	77	82
In five years or more	74	100
Total	260	342

The bank loans outstanding comprise two loans totalling £260,000 at variable interest rate of base  $\pm 0.85\%$  due between 2017 and 2024. All loans are secured on the College land and buildings.

## 17 Cash and cash equivalents

	At 1st August 2015	Cash flows	Other changes	At 31st July 2016
	£'000	£',000	£'000	£'000
Cash at bank an in hand	2,431	124	-	2,555
Current asset investments	1,003	(199)	-	804
Debt due within 1 year	(83)	82	(76)	(77)
Debt due after 1 year	(259)		76	(183)
Total	3,092	7		3,099



## 18 Financial instruments

	Year ended 31st July 2016 £'000	Year ended 31st July 2015 £'000
Financial assets measured at amortised cos	t	
Debtors	86	37
Total	86	37
Financial liabilities measured at amortised	cost	
Bank loans	77	83
Payments received in advance	61	57
Trade creditors	140	568
Other creditors	110	88
Other taxation and social security	260	233
Accruals	651	649
Total	1,299	1,678

## 19 Capital commitments

	Year ended	Year ended
	31st July	31st July
	2016	2015
	£'000	£'000
Commitments contracted for at 31st July	155	442

## 20 Lease obligations

At 31<sup>st</sup> July the College had minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	Year ended 31st July 2016 £'000	Year ended 31st July 2015 £'000
Assets other than land and buildings		
Not later than one year	5	-
Later than one year and not later than five years	165	176
	170	176



## 21 Income and expenditure reserve

	Year ended 31st July 2016 £'000	Year ended 31st July 2015 £'000
Income and expenditure account excluding pension reserve	12,175	11,497
Pension reserve	(2,587)	(1,824)
Income and expenditure account including pension reserve	9,588	9,673

## 22 Contingent liabilities

There are no contingent liabilities.

## 23 Events after the reporting period

There are no events after the reporting period.



#### 24 Defined benefit obligations

The College's employees belong to two principal post-employment benefit plans: 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 Surrey County Council. Both are multi-employer defined benefit plans.

Total pension cost for the year	`	Year ended 31st July 2016 £'000		Year ended 31st July 2015 £'000
Teachers Pension Scheme: contributions paid Local Government Pension Scheme: Contributions paid FRS 102 (28) charge	379 110	659	351 86	566
Charge to the Statement of Comprehensive Income		489		437
Total pension cost for the year within staff costs	<u>-</u>	1,148		1,003

The pension costs are assessed in accordance with the advice of independent qualified actuaries. The latest formal actuarial valuation of the TPS was 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012, and of the LGPS 31<sup>st</sup> March 2013. There were no outstanding or prepaid contributions at either the beginning or the end of the financial year.

#### **Teachers' Pension Scheme**

The Teachers' Pension Scheme (TPS) is a statutory, contributory, defined benefit scheme, governed by the Teachers' Pensions Regulations 2010, and, from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014, by the Teachers' Pension Scheme Regulations 2014. These regulations apply to teachers in schools and other educational establishments, including academies, in England and Wales that are maintained by local authorities. In addition, teachers in many independent and voluntary-aided schools and teachers and lecturers in some establishments of further and higher education may be eligible for membership. Membership is automatic for full-time teachers and lecturers and, from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2007, automatic too for teachers and lecturers in part-time employment following appointment or a change of contract. Teachers and lecturers are able to opt out of the TPS.

#### The Teachers' Pension Budgeting and Valuation Account

Although members may be employed by various bodies, their retirement and other pension benefits are set out in regulations made under the Superannuation Act 1972 and are paid by public funds provided by Parliament. The TPS is an unfunded scheme and members contribute on a 'pay as you go' basis – these contributions, along with those made by employers, are credited to the Exchequer under arrangements governed by the above Act.

The Teachers' Pensions Regulations 2010 require an annual account, the Teachers' Pension Budgeting and Valuation Account, to be kept of receipts and expenditure (including the cost of pension increases). From 1 April 2001, the Account has been credited with a real rate of return, which is equivalent to assuming that the balance in the Account is invested in notional investments that produce that real rate of return.



## 24 Defined benefit obligations (continued)

#### Valuation of the Teachers' Pension Scheme

The latest actuarial review of the TPS was carried out as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012 and in accordance with The Public Service Pensions (Valuations and Employer Cost Cap) Directions 2014. The valuation report was published by the Department for Education (the Department) on 9<sup>th</sup> June 2014. The key results of the valuation are:

- New employer contribution rates were set at 16.48% of pensionable pay (including administration fees of 0.08%);
- total scheme liabilities for service to the effective date of £191.5 billion, and notional assets of £176.6 billion, giving a notional past service deficit of £14.9 billion;
- an employer cost cap of 10.9% of pensionable pay.

The new employer contribution rate for the TPS was implemented in September 2015.

A full copy of the valuation report and supporting documentation can be found on the Teachers' Pension Scheme website at the following location:

https://www.teacherspensions.co.uk/news/employers/2014/06/publication-of-the-valuation-report.aspx

#### **Scheme Changes**

Following the Hutton report in March 2011 and the subsequent consultations with trade unions and other representative bodies on reform of the TPS, the Department published a Proposed Final Agreement, setting out the design for a reformed TPS to be implemented from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015.

The key provisions of the reformed scheme include: a pension based on career average earnings; an accrual rate of 1/57th; and a Normal Pension Age equal to State Pension Age, but with options to enable members to retire earlier or later than their Normal Pension Age. Importantly, pension benefits built up before 1 April 2015 will be fully protected.

In addition, the Proposed Final Agreement includes a Government commitment that those within 10 years of Normal Pension Age on 1 April 2012 will see no change to the age at which they can retire, and no decrease in the amount of pension they receive when they retire. There will also be further transitional protection, tapered over a three and a half year period, for people who would fall up to three and a half years outside of the 10 year protection.

Regulations giving effect to a reformed Teachers' Pension Scheme came into force on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014 and the reformed scheme commenced on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015.

The pension costs paid to TPS in the year amounted to £663,000 (2015: £566,000).

#### FRS 102 (28)

Under the definitions set out in FRS 102 (28.11), the TPS is a multi-employer pension plan. The College is unable to identify its share of the underlying assets and liabilities of the plan.

Accordingly, the College 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 plan. The College has set out above the information available on the plan and the implications for the College in terms of the anticipated contribution rates.



## 24 Defined benefit obligations (continued)

#### **Local Government Pension Scheme**

The LGPS is a funded defined-benefit plan, with the assets held in separate funds administered by Surrey County Council. The total contributions made for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016 were £468,000 of which employer's contributions totalled £375,000 and employees' contributions totalled £93,000. The agreed contribution rates for employer's contributions are 18.6% from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2014, 20.5% from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2015, and 22.5% from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016. Employees' contributions range from 5.5% to 12.5%, depending on salary. Principal Actuarial Assumptions

The following information is based upon a full actuarial valuation of the fund at 31 March 2013 updated to 31 July 2016 by a qualified independent actuary.

	At 31st July	At 31st July
	2016	2015
Pension Increase Rate	1.9%	2.6%
Salary Increase Rate	3.4%	4.0%
Discount Rate for scheme liabilities	2.4%	3.6%
Inflation assumption (CPI)	1.9%	2.6%
Commutation of pensions to lump sums		
Pre - April 2008 service	25%	25%
Post - April 2008 service	63%	63%

The current mortality assumptions include sufficient allowance for future improvements in mortality rates. The average future life expectancies at age 65 are:

	At 31st July	At 31st July
	2016	2015
Current Pensioners		
Males	22.5	22.5
Females	24.6	24.6
Future Pensioners*		
Males	24.5	24.5
Females	26.9	26.9

<sup>\*</sup> Figures assume members aged 45 as at the last formal valuation date.



## 24 Defined benefit obligations (continued)

## **Local Government Pension Scheme (continued)**

The College's share of the assets in the plan and the expected return were:

	At 31st July	At 31st July	
	2016	2015	
Pension Increase Rate	1.9%	2.6%	
Salary Increase Rate	3.4%	4.0%	
Discount Rate for scheme liabilities	2.4%	3.6%	
Inflation assumption (CPI)	1.9%	2.6%	
Commutation of pensions to lump sums			
Pre - April 2008 service	25%	25%	
Post - April 2008 service	63%	63%	

The amount included in the balance sheet in respect of the defined benefit pension plan is as follows:

	At 31st July 2016	At 31st July 2015
Current Pensioners	2010	20.0
Males	22.5	22.5
Females	24.6	24.6
Future Pensioners*		
Males	24.5	24.5
Females	26.9	26.9



## 24 Defined benefit obligations (continued)

Amounts recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income in respect of the plan are as follows:

The amount included in the balance sheet in respect of the defined benefit pension plan is as follows:

	Year ended 31st July 2016 £'000	Year ended 31st July 2015 £'000
Fair value of plan assets	6,005	5,190
Present value of plan liabilities	(8,591)	(7,013)
Present value of unfunded liabilities	(1)	(1)
Net pensions (liability)	(2,587)	(1,824)

Amounts recognised in the Statement of Comprehensive Income in respect of the plan are as follows:

	Year ended 31st July 2016 £'000	Year ended 31st July 2015 £'000
Amounts included in staff costs		
Current service cost	489	437
Total	489	437
Amounts included in interest and other finance cost	68 68	61 61
Amounts recognised in Other Comprehensive Incomprehensive Inco	me	
Return on pension plan assets	283	(474)
Experience losses arising on defined benefit obligations	54	30
Changes in assumptions underlying the present value	(922)	246
Amounts recognised in Other Comprehensive Income	(585)	(198)



## 24 Defined benefit obligations (continued)

## Movement in net defined benefit liability during the year

	2016 £'000	2015 £'000
Deficit in scheme at 1st August	(1,824)	(1,479)
Movement in year:		
Employer service cost (net of employee contributions)	(458)	(433)
Employer contributions	348	347
Net interest on the defined liability / asset Actuarial gain or loss	(68) (585)	(61) (198)
Net defined (liability) / asset at 31st July	(2,587)	(1,824)
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Asset and Liability Reconciliation		
	2016	2015
Changes in the present value of defined benefit obligation	£'000 ions	£'000
Defined benefit obligations at 1st August	7,014	5,894
Current service cost	458	433
Interest cost	261	244
Contributions by Scheme participants	93	95
Experience gains and losses on scheme	(54)	(30)
Changes in financial assumptions	922	474
Estimated benefits paid	(102)	(96)
Defined benefit obligations at 31st July	8,592	7,014
Changes in fair value of plan assets		
Fair value of plan assets at 1st August	5,190	4,415
Interest on plan assets	193	274
Return on plan assets	283	155
Employer contributions	348	347
Contributions by Scheme participants	93	95
Estimated benefits paid	(102)	(96)
Fair value of plan assets at 31st July	6,005	5,190



## 24 Defined benefit obligations (continued)

#### **Deficit contributions**

The College has entered into an agreement with the LGPS to make additional contributions of £52,000 per annum in addition to normal funding levels until the next full valuation at which point the situation will be reviewed again.

#### 25 Related party transactions

Owing to the nature of the College's operations and the composition of the board of governors being drawn from local public and private sector organisations, it is inevitable that transactions will take place with organisations in which a member of the board of governors may have an interest. All transactions involving such organisations are conducted at arm's length and in accordance with the College's financial regulations and normal procurement procedures. There are no significant such transactions which require disclosure.

No Governor has received any remuneration or waived any payments from the College during the year (2015 none).

Key management compensation is disclosed in note 7.

#### 26 Amounts disbursed as agent

	Year ended 31st July 2016 £'000	Year ended 31st July 2015 £'000
Funding body grants – hardship support Interest earned	153  153	137 - 137
Disbursed to students Administration costs	(127) (6)	(122) (7)
Balance unspent as at 31st July, included in creditors	20	8

Funding body grants are available solely for students. The College only acts as a paying agent, and the grants and related disbursements are therefore excluded from the income and expenditure account.



#### 27 Transition to FRS102 and the 2015 FE HE SORP

The year ended 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016 is the first year that the College has presented its financial statements under FRS 102 and the 2015 FE HE SORP. The following disclosures are required in the year of transition. The last financial statements prepared under previous UK GAAP were for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> July 2015 and the date of transition to FRS 102 and the 2015 FE HE SORP was therefore 1<sup>st</sup> August 2014. As a consequence of adopting FRS 102 and the 2015 FE HE SORP, a number of accounting policies have changed to comply with those standards.

An explanation of how the transition to FRS 102 and the 2015 FE HE SORP has affected the College's financial position, financial performance and cash flows, is set out below

	1st August 2014 £'000	31st July 2015 £'000
Financial Position		
Total reserves under previous SORP Employee leave accrual Release of non-government capital grants Changes to measurement of net finance cost on defined benefit plans	12,296 (518) - -	12,857 (554) -
Total effect of transition to FRS 102 and 2015 FE HE SORP	(518)	(554)
Total reserves under 2015 FE HE SORP	11,778	12,303
	31st July 2015	
Financial Performance	£'000	
Surplus for the year after tax under previous SORP	850	
Changes to staff costs Pensions provision – actuarial loss Changes to measurement of net finance cost on defined benefit plans	(36) (198) (91)	
Total effect of transition to FRS 102 and 2015 FE HE SORP	(325)	
Total comprehensive income for the year under 2015 FE HE SORP	525	



#### 27 Transition to FRS102 and the 2015 FE HE SORP (continued)

#### a) Recognition of short term employment benefits

No provision for short term employment benefits such as holiday pay was made under the previous UK GAAP. Under FRS 102 the costs of short-term employee benefits are recognised as a liability and an expense. The annual leave year runs to 31<sup>st</sup> August each year. The cost of any unused entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received. An accrual of £518,000 was recognised at 1 August 2014 and of £554,000 at 31 August 2015. Following a re-measurement exercise in 2015/16, the movement on this provision of £28,000 has been charged to Comprehensive Income in the year ended 31 July 2016.

#### b) Change in recognition of defined benefit plan finance costs

The net pension finance cost recognised in the Income and Expenditure account for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> July 2015 under the previous UK GAAP was the net of the expected return on pension plan assets and the interest on pension liabilities. FRS 102 requires the recognition in the Statement of Comprehensive Income, of a net interest cost, calculated by multiplying the net plan obligations by the market yield on high quality corporate bonds (the discount rate applied). The change has had no effect on net assets as the measurement of the net defined benefit plan obligation has not changed. Instead, the decrease in the surplus for the year has been mirrored by a reduction in the actuarial losses presented within Other Comprehensive Income.

#### c) Presentation of actuarial gains and losses within Total Comprehensive Income

Actuarial gains and losses on the College's defined benefit plans were previously presented in the Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses (STRGL), a separate statement to the Income and Expenditure account. All such gains and losses are now required under FRS 102 to be presented within the Statement of Comprehensive Income, as movements in Other Comprehensive Income.

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# Independent Reporting Accountant's Report on Regularity to the Corporation of Reigate College ("the Corporation") and the Secretary of State for Education acting through the Education Funding Agency

In accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 12th November 2015 and further to the requirements of the funding agreement with the Education Funding Agency we have carried out an engagement to obtain limited assurance about whether the expenditure disbursed and income received by Reigate College during the period 1<sup>st</sup> August 2015 to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016 have been applied to the purposes identified by Parliament and the financial transactions conform to the authorities which govern them.

The framework that has been applied is set out in the Joint Audit Code of Practice issued jointly by Skills Funding Agency and Education Funding Agency. In line with this framework, our work has specifically not considered income received from the main funding grants generated through the Individualised Learner Record (ILR) returns, for which the Education Funding Agency has other assurance arrangements in place.

This report is made solely to the corporation of Reigate College and the Secretary of State for Education acting through the Education Funding Agency in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter. Our work has been undertaken so that we might state to the corporation of Reigate College and the Secretary of State for Education acting through the Education Funding Agency those matters we are required to state in a report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the corporation of Reigate College and the Secretary of State for Education acting through the Education Funding Agency for our work, for this report, or for the conclusion we have formed.

#### Respective responsibilities of Reigate College and the reporting accountant

The Corporation of Reigate College is responsible, under the Education Funding Agency funding agreement and the requirements of the Further & Higher Education Act 1992, subsequent legislation and related regulations and guidance, 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 Joint Audit Code of Practice. 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<sup>st</sup> August 2015 to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016 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 Joint Audit Code of Practice issued jointly by Skills Funding Agency and Education Funding Agency. We performed a limited assurance engagement as defined in that framework and 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 of the college's income and expenditure.

Our work included identification and assessment of the design and operational effectiveness of the controls, policies and procedures that have been implemented to ensure compliance with the framework of authorities including high level financial control areas where we identified areas where a material irregularity is likely to arise. We undertook detailed testing, based on our identification of the areas where a material irregularity is likely to arise where such areas are in respect of controls, policies and procedures that apply to classes of



transactions. This work was integrated with our audit on the financial statements to the extent evidence from the conduct of that audit supports the regularity conclusion.

#### 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<sup>st</sup> August 2015 to 31<sup>st</sup> July 2016 has not been applied to purposes intended by Parliament and the financial transactions do not conform to the authorities which govern them.

RSM UK Audit LLP

#### **RSM UK AUDIT LLP**

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Date: 14/12/16