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**SIR JOHN PORT'S CHARITY**

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**TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS  
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<b>Charity registered number</b>	1092298
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**TRUSTEES' REPORT**  
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The Governors (who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act) present their annual report together with the audited financial statements of Repton School (the Charity) for the year ended 31 August 2023. The Governors confirm that the Annual report and financial statements of the Charity comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the Charity's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in 2019.

## **CHARITABLE OBJECTS**

The Charities principal objective is to provide and promote independent day and boarding schooling in the Repton area. The Trust holds land and buildings in the Repton area, most of which are used by Repton School and Repton Preparatory School for the provision of co-educational independent schooling for children aged between 3 and 13 (Repton Preparatory School at Foremarke) and 13 to 18 (Repton School at Repton).

## **REVIEW OF ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE FOR THE YEAR**

### **Repton School**

There were 630 pupils on-roll during the year, maintaining prior year numbers.

Repton has a philosophy that is committed to an all-round education, and the provision of a wide range of extra-curricular opportunity enables our pupils to explore, grow and develop as well-rounded individuals.

### **Academic**

17% of A Level entries were awarded an A\* and 40% of entries were awarded an A\* or an A. The percentage of entries awarded an A\*, A or B was 68%.

62% of GCSE entries were awarded grades 7-9 which compared to 60% last year.

### **Sport**

Repton continued its tradition as a pre-eminent sporting school with significant strengths in hockey, football, cricket and swimming.

Repton remains the leading co-educational hockey-playing school in England. Our pupils have now won 46 titles in total; one in 1995 and the rest since 2005. Our U18's teams – girls and boys - ended the year as National Champions. Girls' U16 were National Champions too, with the U16 Boys runners-up. Both the U14 Boys and Girls teams reached their national finals. Our U18 Girls were also National Indoor Champions. In terms of individual honours, several pupils have been chosen to represent their countries.

The football coaching team ensured that both Boy's and Girls' Football continued to develop, with the Girls 1st XI winning consistently in the Midlands League to come second overall and several players representative clubs such as Derby County and Leicester City. In Boys football, we remain Derbyshire U18 champions. Our ISFA representative honours have been strong in U18's and U15's and several players represented their country or have been selected for the youth teams with Leicester City, Burton Albion, Macclesfield Town and Birmingham City.

This season has been one to rank with the very best in the hallowed records of Repton Cricket. The Boys 1st XI won the SPREW Festival, and in doing so, broke the school record for the most number of wins in a season (17). Our girls cricket programme has continued to flourish, with the girls winning Repton's first girls cricket national titles. The U15's won the National T20 cup and four days later, the U18 side (containing many of the victorious U15 side), won the U18 National 100ball competition.

The success of Repton Swimming is quite phenomenal gaining promotion in the National Arena Swimming

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League. We have international representatives this summer with two swimmers and our coach selected to represent Great Britain at the European Junior Championships in Serbia this July and three swimmers selected to compete at the Commonwealth Youth Games in Trinidad this August, coming away with our first International medals.

Tennis has been a traditional sport of strength at Repton. Earlier in the year, the U15 girls made it through to the LTA National Final at Bolton, finishing third in the country from an original field of 2000 schools.

### **The Arts**

Music is flourishing at Repton in many different forms. The Chapel Choir delighted audiences at St Paul's Cathedral, Lichfield Festival and Derby Cathedral, with soloists across all year groups given the opportunity for concert performances in Derby Cathedral and St Peter's Nottingham. In terms of exams, diplomas were achieved by two pupils, with Grade 8's being achieved by 6 pupils.

Our school play, 'Beauty and the Beast', was performed over three nights to packed houses and rave reviews in our start of the art theatre. There was also great success in Derby Arts Festival and in our LAMDA awards.

Our very talented artists have held several exhibitions within the school. The highly skilled and inventive work ranged from still life painting to wildlife, denim ballgowns and breathtakingly intricate fantastical architectural models.

Following on from last years success, the international debating festival saw three of our teams test their mettle in live debates against other schools from the Repton family. This was expanded to include Vinehall, Repton Prep and Repton Malaysia this year.

### **Repton Prep School**

The Senior Management Team has been expanded to include Senior Deputy Head, Deputy Head Academic, Deputy Head Pre-Prep and Deputy Head Pastoral & Boarding in addition to new Head, who joined this academic year.

A new School Development Plan and new School Strategy and Prospectus have been implemented during the year after consultation with staff and governors. The school won the BSA Supporting Young Boarders award in May 2023 and been shortlisted for Independent School of the Year award 2023.

The team have improved the quality of education provided by the support and extension of strategies embedded into the curriculum, following Challenge in the Curriculum Inset January 2023 from the National Association for Able Children in Education (NACE), and Latin has been extended down to Year 6 from September 2023.

They have enhanced the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of the pupils through introducing of PASS (in addition to AS Steer) for increased information to monitor pupils' attitudes to learning, reviewing and editing the Reward Scheme to have parity between academic and pastoral rewards, establishing a Year 8 Common Room to support the transition to senior school and provide more independence at Prep School and a dedicated study space in full time boarding houses to promote independence of learning. An Eco Committee has been working towards the Royal Horticultural Society Award. Curriculum days with other local schools have been initiated such as Chess competitions, Forensic Science Day, Colour with Confidence Art Day, and Townsend Warner History Prize, as well as an increasing the number of sporting fixtures.

Repton Prep has a philosophy that is committed to an all-round education, and the provision of a wide range of extra-curricular opportunity enables our pupils to explore, grow and develop as well-rounded individuals.

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**Academic**

Over 100 pupils in Years 6 to 8 competed in the UKMT Junior Maths Challenge with our most successful results for several years. This competition sees thousands of pupils compete with the top 40% achieving awards. 3 pupils qualified for the bonus kangaroo round in the Junior Maths Challenge, 4 pupils earned Gold awards in the Primary Maths Challenge and 1 pupil qualified for the second round of the Intermediate Maths Challenge. A group of pupils entered the Townsend Warner History Prize with 1 pupil securing a place in the second round of the competition. A Year 8 pupil won first place in the Year 7/8 category in the Brogan-Rose essay prize at Repton.

**Sport**

The year was filled with House sporting events across each term such as Tug of War, Hockey, Football, Swimming and Cricket, where pupils demonstrated their sporting capabilities, team spirit and perseverance. These events culminated in the highly anticipated Sports Days for all pupils from Nursery to Year 8.

Over the course of the academic year 2022-23 there was continued success at regional and national level in Athletics, Football, Hockey, Golf, Tennis, Cross Country, Netball, Cricket, Triathlon, Equestrian, and Swimming. Several pupils represented a variety of external Academies and Squads. In Football, these included U13 ISFA Midlands Squad, Burton Albion, Derby County and Leicester City Academies. In Tennis, 8 pupils played for Derbyshire, Staffordshire, Yorkshire and Lincolnshire Counties and in Cricket, 6 pupils were County Representatives for Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire and Leicestershire. 9 pupils played County Hockey for Derbyshire and Staffordshire. 1 pupil represented Derbyshire County in Golf and 2 pupils played County Netball for Staffordshire. In addition, pupils took part in over 100 fixtures each term.

**The Arts**

In our creative subjects and extra-curricular activities, pupils participated in a lunchtime concert at Derby Cathedral and Chamber Choir performed alongside instrumentalists in the Painted Hall at Chatsworth, pianists performed in Steinway grand piano concerts, and the Brass Quartet took part in a masterclass and concert with Onyx Brass ensemble.

**Drama**

Many year groups performed over Christmas as well as the Year 3 and 4 Summer Performance. Years 5 and 6 gave a production called 'Fairytale Characters on Trial', using a range of physical theatre techniques to re-tell some well-known fairytales in new and creative ways. The senior production was 'The Lion King' which was an ambitious and mature interpretation of the classic musical. LAMDA exams took place throughout the year with excellent results across the board.

**Other activities**

Pupils also represented their houses in several academic events such as the Spelling Bee, Times Tables challenge, House Chess, House Science and General Knowledge Quiz. Alongside this, a number of creative events took place allowing pupils to design Christmas cards and take part in our House photography competition, exemplifying their creativity and artistic flair.

**Repton Family of Schools**

The Repton Family of Schools (RFS) manages schools in the UAE, Malaysia, Egypt, China and the UK.

Repton first embarked on its international adventure in 2007, with the opening of Repton Dubai – a K-12 school in Nad Al Sheba, Dubai. Today, Repton Dubai is consistently rated 'Outstanding' by the Dubai schools regulator and is known as one of the most prestigious and successful schools in the UAE, boasting a strong academic

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pedigree and university destinations.

2013 saw a significant expansion in the UAE, with the opening of Repton Al Barsha. An Early Years and Key Stage One school opened in Abu Dhabi two years later, now known as Abu Dhabi 'Rose' Campus. In 2017, the Abu Dhabi senior school, 'Fry' Campus was opened. Between them, the four UAE schools currently educate over 5000 pupils.

In September of 2020, the first Repton school in China was opened, in the beautiful coastal city of Xiamen and, at the same time, Repton International School (Malaysia) opened its doors in Johor Bahru. In September 2021, Repton Cairo opened in the Mivida community of New Cairo, more schools are planned: for Qatar and a second school in Cairo.

In September 2020 we welcomed our first school in the UK to the family, St Wystan's in Repton, followed by Vinehall in East Sussex in May of 2022.

We work closely with our partners to combine the local knowledge and financial strength of each of our partners with the governance and academic expertise provided by the Repton Family of Schools.

In the 2022-23 academic year, the schools continued to grow as they continued to recover from the impacts of the pandemic on enrolments. Admissions numbers in Cairo continue to be affected by the war in Ukraine and the subsequent impacts on the Egyptian economy, which has meant numbers are lower than anticipated. Pupil numbers in the UAE schools, however, grew rapidly, also as a result of the Ukraine conflict.

In March 2023, the UAE schools were bought from our previous partner by Cognita, a global education group consisting of over 100 schools.

Income to RFS from these projects has remained steady throughout the 22-23 year.

### **Repton Enterprises**

Enterprises is the commercial arm of the Group, its principal purpose being to generate income from RST's assets when they are not in use by the two Schools. They let assets to a wide variety of groups from sporting to the Arts, providing catering and additional services as required.

Repton School Sports Centre which includes the Repton Swimming Club and Repton Tennis and Rackets Club, forms a substantial part of the operation.

### **PUBLIC BENEFIT**

Having considered the operation, achievements and performance and finances of the School, the Governors are satisfied that public benefit has been provided in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the guidance published by the Charity Commission. The Governors are satisfied that the school's aims are charitable, and that its operation was and is consistent with those aims. The primary benefit was the provision of education to the pupils at the school. The school is registered with the Department for Education and is subject to inspections by the Independent Schools Inspectorate. As the pupils were aged 3-19, the Governors are satisfied that the principal beneficiaries were appropriate to the Charity's aims.

Consistent with its charitable objects, the school has benefitted children and young people who are not pupils at Repton. The school has partnerships with three local maintained-sector schools: John Port Spencer Academy at Etwall (secondary), David Nieper Academy at Alfreton (secondary), and Repton Primary School (primary). Relationships are overseen by a member of the Senior Management Team – the Deputy Head (Outreach).

In collaboration with the Royal National Children's Springboard Foundation, we have more pupils on transformational bursaries than ever before, and the recipients have contributed an enormous amount to all

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aspects of school life. With future fundraising initiatives, we aim to increase the number of transformational bursaries over the years ahead.

**Environmental and Sustainability considerations**

We introduced paper recycling stations into all the boarding houses and commenced several bulb and tree planting initiatives. We set in place plans for LED replacement fittings, improved heating systems and improved insulation.

**Accessibility**

The school applies appropriate academic entrance requirement to ensure that its pupils can benefit from the education provided but the Governors are satisfied that the opportunity to benefit from the school activities is not unreasonably restricted. Specifically, the Governors are satisfied that the access to the school meets the Charity Commission requirement to enable access to members of the public who might not be able to afford the full fees.

Some pupils benefit from contributions towards the fee from the Repton Foundation, other charities and organisations and public bodies such as local authorities and the Ministry of Defence.

Having considered the operation, achievements and performance and finances of the School the Governors are satisfied that public benefit has been provided in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the guidance published by the Charity Commission.

**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

**Going Concern**

After making appropriate enquiries, the Governors have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the Accounting Policies.

**Financial review**

Income exceeded expenditure by £1,646,026 (2022: £2,614,329) before gains/losses on investments. £1,435,949 (2022: £1,618,916) capital was invested in additions and improvements to the facilities used by the Group.

The Governors estimate that the attendance of 1045 pupils at the School saved the public approximately £6.5 million based on an average cost per maintained school place of £6,350 per annum. The Governors are pleased to note the high proportion of pupils (compared to the maintained sector) taking A levels in Mathematics, Sciences, and Modern Foreign Languages, as they consider this to be a particular benefit to the public.

**Reserves policy**

Unrestricted funds, which have not been designated for other purposes, are available for use at the discretion of the Governors in furtherance of the general objectives of the Trust.

The restricted funds and endowment funds are invested in a mix of Equities, Government Gilts and Charitable Common Investment Funds, which provide a mix of assured regular income and the ability to accumulate funds in the long term by capital growth.

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**Investment Policy**

The policy of the Governors of the Corporate Trustee is to invest to provide a mix of assured regular income and to accumulate funds in the long term. The investment performance was satisfactory in relation to the policy during the year.

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Legal status**

Sir John Port's Charity is a registered Charity established in 1557, on the death of Sir John Port. It is administered under the Charities Act 2011 and in a scheme dated 4 July 2002 and amended on 1 July 2003, 20 June 2008, 23 June 2017 and 1 September 2020.

**Recruitment and appointment of Governors**

Up to nineteen Governors are co-opted. One further Governor is nominated by the head teachers and full-time teachers of Repton School and Repton Preparatory School. Care is taken with the appointment of Governors to ensure they bring other relevant professional skills to the school including education, finance, property and legal expertise. Each Governor serves for renewable terms of five years.

**Induction and training of Governors**

On appointment Governors are briefed by the Chairman of Governors and receive written information explaining the corporate organisation and copies of the constitutional documents. They are given the opportunity to tour the facilities owned by the Trust and to spend time at the Schools. Details of training run by the Governing Bodies Association are circulated to Governors. To encourage their attendance, funding is provided for those who wish to attend.

**Organisational structure**

The Governors of the Corporate Trustee are responsible for the overall management and control of the Charity. The full Governing Body usually meets three times a year. The Trust provides the land and buildings from which Repton School and Repton Preparatory School operate. The day to day management of the Trust's property is delegated to the Headmasters and Chief Operating Officer of Repton School and Repton Preparatory School, supported by their teams.

**Risk management**

The Finance and General Purposes Committee continues to identify, monitor and advise on the major business risks that face the Trust. The Governors are satisfied that the major risks have been identified and appropriate measures are in place so that, under normal circumstances, the potential impact on the Trust will be minimised should any of those risks materialise. The systems of internal control are designed to provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss. They include:

- An annual budget approved by the Governors of the Corporate Trustee;
- Regular consideration by the Governors of the Corporate Trustee of financial results, variances from budgets and non-financial performance indicators;
- Delegation of authority and segregation of duties;
- Identification and management of risk.

Work continues to ensure that the Trust's current internal controls conform with charity guidelines.

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**Disclosure of information to auditors**

Each of the persons who are Governors at the time when this Governors' report is approved has confirmed that:

- so far as that Governor is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charitable company's auditors are unaware, and
- that Governor has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a Governor in order to be aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charitable company's auditors are aware of that information.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

**C D Hibbs FCA BSc (Hons)**

**E M Shires BA FCA**

Date: 19 January 2024

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**STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES**  
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The Trustees (who are also the directors of the Charity for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report including the Strategic report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Group will continue in business.

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

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**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SIR JOHN PORT'S CHARITY**

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**Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of Sir John Port's Charity (the 'parent charitable company') and its subsidiaries (the 'group') for the year ended 31 August 2023 which comprise the Consolidated statement of financial activities, the Consolidated balance sheet, the Charity balance sheet, the Consolidated statement of cash flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Group's and of the parent charitable company's affairs as at 31 August 2023 and of the Group's incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

**Basis for opinion**

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

**Conclusions relating to going concern**

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the Trustees have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the Group's or the parent charitable company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

**Other information**

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

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the

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work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

**Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006**

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

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

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

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

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

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

**Responsibilities of trustees**

As explained more fully in the Trustees' responsibilities statement, the Trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

**Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements**

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

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures

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in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

Based on our understanding of the charity and sector in which it operates, we considered those laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the preparation of the financial statements such as the Companies Act 2006. Audit procedures performed by the engagement team included:

- Enquiry of management around actual and potential litigation and claims;
- Reviewing financial statement disclosures and testing to supporting documentation to assess compliance with applicable laws and regulations;
- Performing audit work over the risk of management override of controls, including testing of journal entries and other adjustments for appropriateness, evaluating the business rationale of significant transactions outside the normal course of business and reviewing accounting estimates for bias.

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

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

**Use of our report**

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

**Wayne Thomas ACA (Senior Statutory Auditor)**

for and on behalf of

**Bates Weston Audit Limited**

Statutory Auditors

Chartered Accountants

The Mills

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20 February 2024

**SIR JOHN PORT'S CHARITY**  
(A company limited by guarantee)

**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND  
EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

	Note	Capital funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	Total funds 2022 £
<b>Income and endowments from:</b>						
Donations and legacies	2	-	577,490	31,640	609,130	1,284,618
Charitable activities	3	-	-	29,421,571	29,421,571	26,964,022
Investments	4	-	796	2,227,390	2,228,186	1,647,560
Other income		-	-	-	-	340
<b>Total income and endowments</b>		-	578,286	31,680,601	32,258,887	29,896,540
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
Raising funds		-	-	32,184	32,184	29,714
Charitable activities	5	1,889,264	-	28,691,413	30,580,677	27,252,497
<b>Total expenditure</b>		1,889,264	-	28,723,597	30,612,861	27,282,211
<b>Net (expenditure)/income before net losses on investments</b>		(1,889,264)	578,286	2,957,004	1,646,026	2,614,329
Net losses on investments		(428,023)	-	(213,746)	(641,769)	(1,684,169)
<b>Net (expenditure)/income before taxation</b>		(2,317,287)	578,286	2,743,258	1,004,257	930,160
Taxation		-	-	(52,788)	(52,788)	(58,380)
<b>Net (expenditure)/income after taxation</b>		(2,317,287)	578,286	2,690,470	951,469	871,780
Transfers between funds	15	1,844,912	-	(1,844,912)	-	-
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		(472,375)	578,286	845,558	951,469	871,780

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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND  
EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT) (CONTINUED)**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

	<b>Capital funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Total funds</b>	<i>Total funds</i>
	<b>2023</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2023</b>	<i>2022</i>
<b>Note</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>					
Total funds brought forward	<b>85,564,764</b>	<b>1,461,343</b>	<b>4,640,333</b>	<b>91,666,440</b>	<i>90,794,660</i>
Net movement in funds	<b>(472,375)</b>	<b>578,286</b>	<b>845,558</b>	<b>951,469</b>	<i>871,780</i>
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>85,092,389</b>	<b>2,039,629</b>	<b>5,485,891</b>	<b>92,617,909</b>	<i>91,666,440</i>

The notes on pages 19 to 38 form part of these financial statements.

**SIR JOHN PORT'S CHARITY**  
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**REGISTERED NUMBER: 04399494 (England and Wales)**

**CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET**  
**AS AT 31 AUGUST 2023**

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Fixed assets</b>			
Tangible assets	8	73,248,762	73,750,391
Investments	9	19,093,464	18,633,926
		<u>92,342,226</u>	<u>92,384,317</u>
<b>Current assets</b>			
Stocks		99,912	130,617
Debtors	11	4,238,158	5,514,570
Cash at bank and in hand		10,283,871	7,796,723
		<u>14,621,941</u>	<u>13,441,910</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	(12,918,438)	(12,880,799)
<b>Net current assets</b>		<u>1,703,503</u>	<u>561,111</u>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<u>94,045,729</u>	<u>92,945,428</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	13	(1,307,820)	(1,278,988)
Provisions	14	(120,000)	-
<b>Total net assets</b>		<u><u>92,617,909</u></u>	<u><u>91,666,440</u></u>
<b>Charity funds</b>			
Capital funds	15	85,092,389	85,564,764
Restricted funds	15	2,039,629	1,461,343
Unrestricted funds	15	5,485,891	4,640,333
<b>Total funds</b>		<u><u>92,617,909</u></u>	<u><u>91,666,440</u></u>

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

**C D Hibbs FCA BSc (Hons)**

**E M Shires BA FCA**

Date: 19 January 2024

The notes on pages 19 to 38 form part of these financial statements.

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**SIR JOHN PORT'S CHARITY**  
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**CHARITY STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**AS AT 31 AUGUST 2023**

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**Total net assets**

**Total funds**

The Charity's net movement in funds for the year was £NIL (2022 - £NIL).

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>		
Net cash used in operating activities	2,799,846	4,493,634
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>		
Dividends, interests and rents from investments	2,228,186	1,647,560
Proceeds from the sale of tangible fixed assets	43	-
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(1,435,949)	(1,618,916)
Proceeds from sale of investments	52,222	56,275
Purchase of investments	(1,157,200)	(1,175,948)
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>	<b>(312,698)</b>	<b>(1,091,029)</b>
<b>Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year</b>	<b>2,487,148</b>	<b>3,402,605</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	7,796,723	4,394,118
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year</b>	<b>10,283,871</b>	<b>7,796,723</b>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

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**1. Accounting policies**

**1.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Sir John Port's Charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

The Consolidated statement of financial activities (SOFA) and Consolidated balance sheet consolidate the financial statements of the Charity and its subsidiary undertakings. The results of the subsidiaries are consolidated on a line by line basis.

The Charity has taken advantage of the exemption allowed under section 408 of the Companies Act 2006 and has not presented its own Statement of financial activities in these financial statements.

The parent company has no assets or liabilities other than its investments in its subsidiaries, all of which are carried at nil value in the current and previous years.

The parent company has no employees, incoming resources or resources expended in the current or previous years.

**1.2 Going concern**

The Group meets its day-to-day working capital requirements through the close management of its cashflow from operations and utilising its renewed banking facility as required. After making enquiries, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Group has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The Group therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

**1.3 Income**

All income is recognised once the Charity has entitlement to the income, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably.

Fees receivable and charges for services and for the use of premises are accounted for in the period in which the service is provided. The School invoices pupils termly in advance and the income relating to these invoices is deferred until the start of the term to which they relate. Fees receivable are stated after deducting allowances, scholarships and other remissions allowed by the Schools.

Donations, grants and other forms of voluntary income are accounted for when received or when a contractual obligation to pay arises. Donations subject to specific donors are carried to relevant restricted funds, or to capital funds where the amount is required to be held as capital. Donations received for the general purpose of the Group credited to unrestricted funds.

For legacies, entitlement is the earlier of the Group being notified of an impending distribution or the legacy being received.

Investment income is accounted for in the period in which the Group is entitled to receipt.

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**1. Accounting policies (continued)**

**1.3 Income (continued)**

Other income is recognised in the period in which it is receivable and to the extent the goods have been provided or on completion of the service.

**1.4 Expenditure**

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. Overheads and other costs not directly attributable to particular functional activity categories are apportioned over the relevant categories on the basis of management estimates of the amount attributable to that activity in the year, either by reference to staff time or space occupied, as appropriate. The irrecoverable element of VAT is included with the item of expense to which it relates.

Support costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the Charity. Governance costs are those incurred in connection with administration of the Group and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

All educational supplies are written off in the year of purchase.

**1.5 Government grants**

Government grants are recognised in income when the grant proceeds are received or receivable unless future performance-related conditions are specified that have not been met. Grants received before the income recognition criteria are satisfied are recognised as a liability.

**1.6 Taxation**

The Governors consider the main activities of the Group to be exempt from corporation tax and accordingly no provision for corporation tax is made in the financial statements. All except three of the charity's subsidiaries are exempt from corporation tax. The three subsidiaries that are not exempt from corporation tax recognise liabilities on taxable profits that are not donated under the gift aid scheme.

**1.7 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation**

Tangible fixed assets costing £10,000 or more are capitalised and recognised when future economic benefits are probable and the cost or value of the asset can be measured reliably.

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives, using the straight-line method. Depreciation is not charged in the year of purchase.

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Freehold land and buildings	- 2% to 10%
Motor vehicles	- 20% on cost
Fixtures, fittings and equipment	- 13% to 25%

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**1. Accounting policies (continued)**

**1.7 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation (continued)**

Property with an estimated useful life of over 50 years, freehold land and assets under construction are not depreciated.

**1.8 Investments**

Fixed asset investments are a form of financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction cost and subsequently measured at fair value at the Balance sheet date, unless the value cannot be measured reliably in which case it is measured at cost less impairment. Investment gains and losses, whether realised or unrealised, are combined and presented as 'Gains/(Losses) on investments' in the Consolidated statement of financial activities.

Investments in subsidiaries are valued at cost less provision for impairment.

**1.9 Stocks**

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value after making due allowance for obsolete and slow-moving stocks.

**1.10 Liabilities**

Liabilities and provisions are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation.

**1.11 Operating leases**

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Consolidated statement of financial activities on a straight line basis over the lease term.

**1.12 Pensions**

The subsidiaries make contributions to a defined contribution pension scheme on behalf of certain non-teaching staff. Contributions to this scheme are charged in the Statement of Financial Activities as they fall due.

The Schools also makes contributions to the Teachers' Superannuation Scheme in respect of teaching staff, a notionally funded defined benefits pension scheme. Contributions to this scheme are charged in the Statement of Financial Activities as they fall due.

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**1. Accounting policies (continued)**

**1.13 Fund accounting**

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the Trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the Group and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the Trustees for particular purposes.

The capital funds represent the value of those assets held permanently by the Group and those assets that are expendable at the discretion of the Trustees, principally property and investments. Income arising on the capital funds can be used in accordance with the objects of the Charity and are included as unrestricted income. Any capital gains or losses arising on the assets form part of the capital funds. Investment management charges and professional fees relating to the capital funds are charged against the funds.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Group for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

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

**1.14 Related parties**

The company is a parent and prepares consolidated accounts. The company has taken advantage of the exemption contained within the Financial Reporting Standard Number 102 and has therefore not disclosed transactions with entities which form part of the group, other than as normally disclosed in the notes to the financial statements and which, in the opinion of the Governors, are necessary for the users of the Charity's accounts.

**2. Income from donations and legacies**

	<b>Restricted funds 2023 £</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds 2023 £</b>	<b>Total funds 2023 £</b>	<i>Total funds 2022 £</i>
Donations and legacies	577,490	31,640	609,130	1,284,618
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<i>Total 2022</i>	972,826	311,792	1,284,618	
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**3. Income from charitable activities**

	<b>Unrestricted funds 2023 £</b>	<b>Total funds 2023 £</b>	<i>Total funds 2022 £</i>
School fees receivable	25,747,455	<b>25,747,455</b>	24,511,359
Other educational and ancillary activities	3,674,116	<b>3,674,116</b>	2,452,663
<b>Total 2023</b>	<u>29,421,571</u>	<u><b>29,421,571</b></u>	<u>26,964,022</u>
<i>Total 2022</i>	<u>26,964,022</u>	<u>26,964,022</u>	
<b>School fees receivable</b>			
Gross fees		<b>31,589,147</b>	29,981,582
Less: Total remissions, scholarships and bursaries		<b>(5,841,692)</b>	(5,470,223)
		<u><b>25,747,455</b></u>	<u>24,511,359</u>

**4. Investment income**

	<b>Restricted funds 2023 £</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds 2023 £</b>	<b>Total funds 2023 £</b>	<i>Total funds 2022 £</i>
Bank and other interest	491	36,129	<b>36,620</b>	177
Rental income from properties	-	1,702,806	<b>1,702,806</b>	1,262,930
Dividends and interest from equities and Common Investment Funds	305	488,455	<b>488,760</b>	384,453
	<u>796</u>	<u>2,227,390</u>	<u><b>2,228,186</b></u>	<u>1,647,560</u>
<i>Total 2022</i>	<u>950</u>	<u>1,646,610</u>	<u>1,647,560</u>	

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**5. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities**

**Summary by fund type**

	<b>Capital funds 2023 £</b>	<b>Restricted funds 2023 £</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds 2023 £</b>	<b>Total 2023 £</b>	<b>Total 2022 £</b>
Teaching	1,889,264	-	14,717,929	<b>16,607,193</b>	15,201,399
Welfare	-	-	4,867,112	<b>4,867,112</b>	3,611,706
Premises	-	-	4,205,016	<b>4,205,016</b>	3,319,087
Support and governance	-	-	4,901,356	<b>4,901,356</b>	5,114,546
Grants, awards and prizes	-	-	-	-	5,759
	<u>1,889,264</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>28,691,413</u>	<u><b>30,580,677</b></u>	<u>27,252,497</u>
<i>Total 2022</i>	<u><i>1,722,457</i></u>	<u><i>4,221</i></u>	<u><i>25,525,819</i></u>	<u><i>27,252,497</i></u>	

**Summary by expenditure type**

	<b>Staff costs 2023 £</b>	<b>Depreciation 2023 £</b>	<b>Other costs 2023 £</b>	<b>Total 2023 £</b>	<b>Total 2022 £</b>
Teaching	12,385,972	1,898,040	2,323,181	<b>16,607,193</b>	15,201,399
Welfare	2,130,012	-	2,737,100	<b>4,867,112</b>	3,611,706
Premises	1,184,209	37,229	2,983,578	<b>4,205,016</b>	3,319,087
Support and governance	2,385,132	2,268	2,513,956	<b>4,901,356</b>	5,114,546
Grants, awards and prizes	-	-	-	-	5,759
	<u>18,085,325</u>	<u>1,937,537</u>	<u>10,557,815</u>	<u><b>30,580,677</b></u>	<u>27,252,497</u>
<i>Total 2022</i>	<u><i>16,829,822</i></u>	<u><i>1,792,397</i></u>	<u><i>8,630,278</i></u>	<u><i>27,252,497</i></u>	

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**6. Staff costs**

	<b>Group 2023 £</b>	<i>Group 2022 £</i>
Wages and salaries	<b>14,730,700</b>	13,627,419
Social security costs	<b>1,195,745</b>	1,209,193
Contribution to pension schemes	<b>2,158,880</b>	1,993,210
	<b>18,085,325</b>	16,829,822

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

	<b>Group 2023 No.</b>	<i>Group 2022 No.</i>
Teaching	<b>186</b>	188
Assistants, domestic and catering	<b>345</b>	331
Management and administration	<b>92</b>	88
	<b>623</b>	607

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

	<b>Group 2023 No.</b>	<i>Group 2022 No.</i>
In the band £60,001 - £70,000	<b>23</b>	21
In the band £70,001 - £80,000	<b>12</b>	4
In the band £80,001 - £90,000	<b>3</b>	2
In the band £90,001 - £100,000	<b>1</b>	2
In the band £100,001 - £110,000	<b>1</b>	1
In the band £110,001 - £120,000	<b>-</b>	1
In the band £170,000 - £190,000	<b>1</b>	1
In the band £240,000 - £250,000	<b>-</b>	1

**7. Trustees' remuneration and expenses**

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits (2022 - £NIL).

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**7. Trustees' remuneration and expenses (continued)**

The Governors are considered to be key management personnel.

During the year ended 31 August 2023, £360 was reimbursed or paid directly to Trustees for travel expenses (2022 - £NIL).

**8. Tangible fixed assets**

**Group**

	Freehold property £	Motor vehicles £	Fixtures and fittings £	Office equipment £	Total £
<b>Cost</b>					
At 1 September 2022	92,098,516	708,992	1,180,231	-	93,987,739
Additions	1,032,242	131,534	246,249	25,924	1,435,949
Disposals	-	-	(43)	-	(43)
Transfers between classes	-	-	(7,814)	7,814	-
At 31 August 2023	93,130,758	840,526	1,418,623	33,738	95,423,645
<b>Depreciation</b>					
At 1 September 2022	18,443,265	659,803	1,134,280	-	20,237,348
Charge for the year	1,889,263	31,186	17,086	-	1,937,535
At 31 August 2023	20,332,528	690,989	1,151,366	-	22,174,883
<b>Net book value</b>					
At 31 August 2023	72,798,230	149,537	267,257	33,738	73,248,762
At 31 August 2022	73,655,251	49,189	45,951	-	73,750,391

The Charity has elected, in accordance with FRS 102, to use the carrying value on 1 September 2014, the date of transition to FRS 102, of any of the above freehold land and buildings previously carried at a valuation, as their deemed cost.

All tangible fixed assets are held for use on charitable activities.

Included in the above are assets with a cost of £30,221,892 (2022 - £30,221,892) on which no depreciation is charged.

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**9. Fixed asset investments**

Group	Land £	Investment funds £	Unlisted investments £	Total £
<b>Cost or valuation</b>				
At 1 September 2022	10,001	17,881,177	742,748	18,633,926
Additions	-	257,200	900,000	1,157,200
Disposals	-	(20,038)	(32,184)	(52,222)
Revaluations	-	(645,440)	-	(645,440)
Transfers between classes	-	1,002,421	(1,002,421)	-
At 31 August 2023	<u>10,001</u>	<u>18,475,320</u>	<u>608,143</u>	<u>19,093,464</u>

**10. Group undertakings**

The following were subsidiary undertakings of the Charity:

Names	Company number	Charity registration number	Registered office or principal place of business
Repton School Trust		527177	The Bursar's Office, Repton School, Derbyshire, DE65 6FH
Repton School	04390219	1093166	The Bursar's Office, Repton School, Derbyshire, DE65 6FH
Repton Preparatory School	04390208	1093165	The Bursar's Office, Repton School, Derbyshire, DE65 6FH
Repton Foundation		1067418	The Hall - Repton School, Repton, Derbyshire, DE65 6FH
Repton School Enterprises Limited	02644487		1 High Street, Repton, Derbyshire, DE65 6GD
Repton School Shop Limited	00905547		The Paddock, Repton School, Repton, Derbyshire, DE65 6FH
The Repton Family of Schools Limited	05859839		The Bursar's Office, Repton School, Derbyshire, DE65 6FH
St. Wystan's School	00880309	527181	11a High Street, Repton, Derbyshire, DE65 6GE

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**10. Group undertakings (continued)**

The financial results of the subsidiaries for the year were:

<b>Names</b>	<b>Income £</b>	<b>Expenditure £</b>	<b>Profit/(Loss) / Surplus/ (Deficit) for the year £</b>	<b>Net assets (liabilities) £</b>
Repton School Trust	4,479,049	(1,991,974)	2,145,279	83,200,498
Repton School	19,473,382	(20,366,107)	(892,725)	905,238
Repton Preparatory School	7,064,313	(7,084,329)	(20,016)	116,399
Repton Foundation	840,691	(298,689)	242,029	7,313,273
Repton School Enterprises Limited	1,546,028	(1,403,579)	142,449	43,382
The Repton Family of Schools Limited	2,305,548	(573,683)	1,731,865	1,026,984
St. Wystan's School	792,618	(792,528)	90	13,146

**11. Debtors**

	<b>Group 2023 £</b>	<b>Group 2022 £</b>
Fee debtors	3,260,877	3,408,223
Other debtors	586,898	1,468,900
Prepayments and accrued income	390,383	637,447
	<b>4,238,158</b>	<b>5,514,570</b>

**12. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year**

	<b>Group 2023 £</b>	<b>Group 2022 £</b>
Other loans	6,667	6,667
Fees in advance	9,285,098	8,859,387
Trade creditors	1,165,310	1,639,066
Refundable deposits	238,300	235,807
Corporation tax	21,785	4,699
Other taxation and social security	534,092	446,264
Hire purchase contracts	5,263	5,147
Other creditors	1,222,062	594,712
Accruals and deferred income	439,861	1,089,050

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**12. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year (continued)**

	<b>Group 2023 £</b>	<i>Group 2022 £</i>
	<b>12,918,438</b>	<i>12,880,799</i>
	<b>Group 2023 £</b>	<i>Group 2022 £</i>
Deferred income at 1 September 2022	<b>8,736,142</b>	<i>4,239,957</i>
Resources deferred during the year	<b>9,454,555</b>	<i>8,736,142</i>
Amounts released from previous periods	<b>(8,736,142)</b>	<i>(4,239,957)</i>
	<b>9,454,555</b>	<i>8,736,142</i>

Deferred income relates to fees in advance as disclosed in creditors and the balance is trips and other miscellaneous income.

**13. Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year**

	<b>Group 2023 £</b>	<i>Group 2022 £</i>
Bank loans	<b>-</b>	<i>6,667</i>
Hire purchase contracts	<b>4,538</b>	<i>9,398</i>
Refundable deposits	<b>1,303,282</b>	<i>1,262,923</i>
	<b>1,307,820</b>	<i>1,278,988</i>

Repayment of refundable deposits is due on the child leaving the schools, net of any charges outstanding. No interest is due on these balances.

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**14. Provisions**

**Group**

	<b>Provisions £</b>
Additions	120,000
	<u>120,000</u>

Provisions relate to claims that have been brought against a subsidiary.

**15. Statement of funds**

**Statement of funds - current year**

	<b>Balance at 1 September 2022 £</b>	<b>Income £</b>	<b>Expenditure £</b>	<b>Transfers in/out £</b>	<b>Gains/ (Losses) £</b>	<b>Balance at 31 August 2023 £</b>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>						
General funds	4,640,333	31,680,601	(28,776,385)	(1,844,912)	(213,746)	5,485,891
	<u>4,640,333</u>	<u>31,680,601</u>	<u>(28,776,385)</u>	<u>(1,844,912)</u>	<u>(213,746)</u>	<u>5,485,891</u>
<b>Capital funds</b>						
Expendable endowment	1,587,832	-	-	-	(86,227)	1,501,605
Endowment sinking fund	11,995,495	-	-	237,164	(341,796)	11,890,863
Property Fund	71,981,437	-	(1,889,264)	1,607,748	-	71,699,921
	<u>85,564,764</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,889,264)</u>	<u>1,844,912</u>	<u>(428,023)</u>	<u>85,092,389</u>

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**15. Statement of funds (continued)**

	Balance at 1 September 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Gains/ (Losses) £	Balance at 31 August 2023 £
<b>Restricted funds</b>						
Robert Beldam priory foundation	10,861	305	-	-	-	11,166
Repton library	11,481	-	-	-	-	11,481
General bursaries	161,630	4,315	-	-	-	165,945
New science facilities	3,125	-	-	-	-	3,125
Other restricted funds	98,434	5,791	-	-	-	104,225
Brogan history prize	7,900	-	-	-	-	7,900
Berger IT prize	4,900	-	-	-	-	4,900
Wong Owen Sponsorship	79,823	-	-	-	-	79,823
Fives Appeal	100,479	1,200	-	-	-	101,679
RJB Legacy - Music Provision	20,000	-	-	-	-	20,000
The Sir Geoffrey and Lady Isobel Barnett Scholarship Fund	462,710	166,675	-	-	-	629,385
The Christopher Rowbotham Bursary Fund	500,000	-	-	-	-	500,000
R M Kirkland - Art & DT	-	100,000	-	-	-	100,000
L Yu - Digital classroom	-	300,000	-	-	-	300,000
	<b>1,461,343</b>	<b>578,286</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,039,629</b>
<b>Total of funds</b>	<b>91,666,440</b>	<b>32,258,887</b>	<b>(30,665,649)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>(641,769)</b>	<b>92,617,909</b>

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**15. Statement of funds (continued)**

**Statement of funds - prior year**

	<i>Balance at 1 September 2021 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Transfers in/out £</i>	<i>Gains/ (Losses) £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 August 2022 £</i>
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>						
<b>Designated funds</b>						
Musical instrument fund	46	-	-	(46)	-	-
<b>General funds</b>						
General funds	2,911,604	28,922,764	(25,613,913)	(1,226,183)	(353,939)	4,640,333
<b>Total Unrestricted funds</b>	<u>2,911,650</u>	<u>28,922,764</u>	<u>(25,613,913)</u>	<u>(1,226,229)</u>	<u>(353,939)</u>	<u>4,640,333</u>
<b>Capital funds</b>						
Expendable endowment	1,730,614	-	-	-	(142,782)	1,587,832
Endowment sinking fund	13,036,518	-	-	146,425	(1,187,448)	11,995,495
Property Fund	72,616,783	-	(1,722,457)	1,087,111	-	71,981,437
	<u>87,383,915</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,722,457)</u>	<u>1,233,536</u>	<u>(1,330,230)</u>	<u>85,564,764</u>
<b>Restricted funds</b>						
Robert Beldam priory foundation	10,857	4	-	-	-	10,861
Repton library	11,481	-	-	-	-	11,481
General bursaries	154,254	7,376	-	-	-	161,630
New science facilities	3,125	-	-	-	-	3,125
Other restricted funds	97,457	946	(15)	46	-	98,434
Brogan history prize	7,900	-	-	-	-	7,900

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**15. Statement of funds (continued)**

**Statement of funds - prior year (continued)**

	<i>Balance at 1 September 2021 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Transfers in/out £</i>	<i>Gains/ (Losses) £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 August 2022 £</i>
Berger IT prize	4,900	-	-	-	-	4,900
Wong Owen Sponsorship	79,823	-	-	-	-	79,823
Foremarke pool	50,000	-	-	(50,000)	-	-
Fives Appeal	59,298	2,740	(4,206)	42,647	-	100,479
RJB Legacy - Music Provision	20,000	-	-	-	-	20,000
The Sir Geoffrey and Lady Isobel Barnett Scholarship Fund	-	462,710	-	-	-	462,710
The Christopher Rowbotham Bursary Fund	-	500,000	-	-	-	500,000
	<u>499,095</u>	<u>973,776</u>	<u>(4,221)</u>	<u>(7,307)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,461,343</u>

**16. Summary of funds**

**Summary of funds - current year**

	<b>Balance at 1 September 2022 £</b>	<b>Income £</b>	<b>Expenditure £</b>	<b>Transfers in/out £</b>	<b>Gains/ (Losses) £</b>	<b>Balance at 31 August 2023 £</b>
General funds	4,640,333	31,680,601	(28,776,385)	(1,844,912)	(213,746)	5,485,891
Capital funds	85,564,764	-	(1,889,264)	1,844,912	(428,023)	85,092,389
Restricted funds	1,461,343	578,286	-	-	-	2,039,629
	<u>91,666,440</u>	<u>32,258,887</u>	<u>(30,665,649)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(641,769)</u>	<u>92,617,909</u>

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**16. Summary of funds (continued)**

**Endowment funds**

The capital funds of the Group include the above balances to be held on trust from which the income is to be applied for specific purposes.

The Property fund holds the accumulated property additions and improvements capitalised in previous years other than the current year additions which are financed from and subsequently transferred from the General fund post the Annual General Meeting.

The Endowment sinking fund comprises unrealised and realised gains and losses deriving from the capital of endowed assets pending allocation to suitable designated capital funds.

There is no restriction on the expendable endowment fund's capital, which may be spent at the discretion of the Trustees.

The permanent endowment fund's capital is restricted and is not available for expenditure.

**Transfers**

The transfer in to the property fund is in respect of prior year additions in accordance with the stated policy. The other transfers relate to an exercise undertaken by the Trustees during the year to confirm the allocation of endowment funds between expendable and permanent. Further clarification was sought to the nature of restrictions on the funds. Legal advice was obtained in consultation with the investment fund manager to confirm the revised position. The transfers bring the funds in line with the advice received.

**Restricted funds**

The income funds of the Group include restricted funds comprising the unexpended balances of grants held on trust to be applied for specific purposes and restricted income from capital funds.

The Sir Geoffrey and Lady Isobel Barnett Scholarship fund is for the following purposes:

- a) Awarding scholarships, bursaries or maintenance allowances at the School to persons under the age of eighteen years who are in need of financial assistance;
- b) Awarding to such persons grants or maintenance allowances to enable them to travel whether in the United Kingdom or abroad in furtherance of their education;
- c) Otherwise furthering the education of such persons.

The Christopher Rowbotham Bursary Fund is for the assistance of pupils whose parents are unable to afford the full amount of fees.

The R M Kirkland fund is for the refurbishment of the DT workshop.

The L Yu fund is for the costs associated with a digital classroom and the Orchard common room.

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**16. Summary of funds (continued)**

**Summary of funds - prior year**

	<i>Balance at 1 September 2021 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Transfers in/out £</i>	<i>Gains/ (Losses) £</i>	<i>Balance at 31 August 2022 £</i>
Designated funds	46	-	-	(46)	-	-
General funds	2,911,604	28,922,764	(25,613,913)	(1,226,183)	(353,939)	4,640,333
Capital funds	87,383,915	-	(1,722,457)	1,233,536	(1,330,230)	85,564,764
Restricted funds	499,095	973,776	(4,221)	(7,307)	-	1,461,343
	<u>90,794,660</u>	<u>29,896,540</u>	<u>(27,340,591)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(1,684,169)</u>	<u>91,666,440</u>

**17. Analysis of net assets between funds**

**Analysis of net assets between funds - current year**

	<b>Capital funds 2023 £</b>	<b>Restricted funds 2023 £</b>	<b>Unrestricted funds 2023 £</b>	<b>Total funds 2023 £</b>
Tangible fixed assets	71,699,921	-	1,548,841	<b>73,248,762</b>
Fixed asset investments	13,392,468	1,699,445	4,001,551	<b>19,093,464</b>
Current assets	-	346,851	14,275,090	<b>14,621,941</b>
Creditors due within one year	-	(6,667)	(12,911,771)	<b>(12,918,438)</b>
Creditors due in more than one year	-	-	(1,307,820)	<b>(1,307,820)</b>
Provisions for liabilities and charges	-	-	(120,000)	<b>(120,000)</b>
<b>Total</b>	<u>85,092,389</u>	<u>2,039,629</u>	<u>5,485,891</u>	<u><b>92,617,909</b></u>

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**17. Analysis of net assets between funds (continued)**

**Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year**

	<i>Capital funds</i>	<i>Restricted funds</i>	<i>Unrestricted funds</i>	<i>Total funds</i>
	<i>2022</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2022</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Tangible fixed assets	71,981,436	-	1,768,955	73,750,391
Fixed asset investments	13,583,328	1,165,288	3,885,310	18,633,926
Current assets	-	346,055	13,095,855	13,441,910
Creditors due within one year	-	(50,000)	(12,830,799)	(12,880,799)
Creditors due in more than one year	-	-	(1,278,988)	(1,278,988)
<b>Total</b>	<b>85,564,764</b>	<b>1,461,343</b>	<b>4,640,333</b>	<b>91,666,440</b>

**18. Reconciliation of net movement in funds to net cash flow from operating activities**

	<i>Group 2023</i>	<i>Group 2022</i>
	<i>£</i>	<i>£</i>
Net income for the year (as per Statement of Financial Activities)	<b>951,469</b>	871,780
<b>Adjustments for:</b>		
Depreciation charges	<b>1,937,535</b>	1,792,396
(Gains)/losses on investments	<b>645,440</b>	1,737,131
Dividends, interests and rents from investments	<b>(2,228,186)</b>	(1,647,560)
Decrease in stocks	<b>30,705</b>	66,597
Decrease in debtors	<b>1,276,412</b>	93,750
Increase in creditors	<b>66,471</b>	1,579,540
Increase / (decrease) in provisions	<b>120,000</b>	-
<b>Net cash provided by operating activities</b>	<b>2,799,846</b>	4,493,634

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**19. Analysis of cash and cash equivalents**

	<b>Group 2023 £</b>	<i>Group 2022 £</i>
Cash in hand	<b>10,283,871</b>	7,796,723
<b>Total cash and cash equivalents</b>	<b>10,283,871</b>	7,796,723

**20. Analysis of changes in net debt**

	<b>At 1 September 2022 £</b>	<b>Cash flows £</b>	<b>At 31 August 2023 £</b>
Cash at bank and in hand	7,796,723	2,487,148	10,283,871
Debt due within 1 year	(6,667)	-	(6,667)
Debt due after 1 year	(6,667)	6,667	-
Finance leases	(14,545)	4,744	(9,801)
	<b>7,768,844</b>	<b>2,498,559</b>	<b>10,267,403</b>

**21. Pension commitments**

The Schools in the group have employees who are members of the Teachers Pension Scheme (TPS).

The Government Actuary, using normal actuarial principles, conducts a formal actuarial review of the TPS in accordance with the Public Service Pensions (Valuations and Employer Cost Cap) Directions 2014 published by HM Treasury. The aim of the review is to specify the level of future contributions. Actuarial scheme valuations are dependent on assumptions about the value of future costs, design of benefits and many other factors. The latest actuarial valuation of the TPS was carried out as at 31 March 2016 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 on 5 March 2019.

The key elements of the valuation and subsequent consultation are:

- employer contribution rates set at 23.68% of pensionable pay, including a 0.08% employer administration charge.
- total scheme liabilities (pensions currently in payment and the estimated cost of future benefits) for service to the effective date of £218,100 million, and notional assets (estimated future contribution together with the notional investments held at the valuation date) of £196,100 million giving a notional past service deficit of £22,000 million.
- the SCAPE rate, set by HMT, is used to determine the notional investment return. The current SCAPE rate is 2.4% above the rate of CPI. assumed real rate of return is 2.4% in excess of prices and 2% in excess of earnings. The rate of real earnings growth is assumed to be 2.2%. The assumed nominal

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**21. Pension commitments (continued)**

rate of return including earnings growth is 4.45%.

The TPS valuation for 2016 determined an employer rate of 23.68%, which was payable from 1 September 2019. The next valuation result is due to be implemented from 1 April 2024.

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

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

**22. Other financial commitments**

The Charity has a contingent liability in respect of a multilateral cross guarantee, relating to the bank overdraft facility granted under a group set off arrangement between Repton School, Repton Preparatory School, Repton School Trust and Sir John Port's Charity. This guarantee is limited to £1,500,000. At the balance sheet date the total amount of secured debts due to the bank amounted to £NIL (2022 - £NIL).

**23. Members' liability**

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

**24. Related party transactions**

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 August 2023.

**25. Controlling party**

The Governors of Sir John Port's Charity are considered to be the ultimate controlling party.