

Charity Registration No. 1136446

Company Registration No. 7150417 (England and Wales)

**RED BALLOON LEARNER CENTRE READING  
(A PRIVATE COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)**

**ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022**

# RED BALLOON LEARNER CENTRE READING

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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<b>Trustees</b>	Mr T Lake	
	Dr J A Nicholsby	
	Mr A D H Pearson	
	Mr D R Whittle	
	Ms L Preston	(Appointed 22 June 2022)
	Ms C Billing	(Appointed 18 October 2022)
	Ms A Gupta	(Appointed 14 September 2022)
<b>Head of centre</b>	Christina Pepper	(Resigned 31 August 2022)
	Michelle Masters	(Appointed 1 October 2022)
<b>Charity number</b>	1136446	
<b>Company number</b>	7150417	
<b>Registered office</b>	220 Kings Road Reading RG1 4JJ	
<b>Independent examiner</b>	Edwin Smith Chartered Accountants 32 Queens Road Reading RG1 4AU	
<b>Bankers</b>	CAF Bank Limited 25 Kings Hill Avenue Kings Hill West Malling Kent ME19 4JQ	

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# **RED BALLOON LEARNER CENTRE READING**

## **TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)**

### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022**

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The trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2022.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's [governing document], the Companies Act 2006 and "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).

#### **Object of the Charity**

The object of the charity is to advance the education of children aged 11 to 18 at the Red Balloon Learner Centre, being students who are victims of severe bullying, or by reason of other emotional or mental health trauma, are unable to attend mainstream schools. This is achieved by providing tuition and appropriate support for them in a safe learning environment until they are ready to return to mainstream education or enter employment. The Trustees confirm that they have given due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

#### **Governance**

The charity has a Board of Trustees who are responsible for the governance of the charity. The Board of Trustees has the power to appoint new trustees. People who come to the trustee's attention as having relevant experience, interest or expertise are asked if they would consider becoming a trustee, are interviewed by other trustees and, if it is considered appropriate, are introduced to all of the trustees. All trustees are subject to DBS checks.

The Board aims to meet 6 times per year and holds an AGM in the Spring Term. At each meeting student progress is reviewed and regular management accounts are provided for review by the Trustees. Safeguarding is also included as an agenda item at each meeting.

#### **Management**

The Board of Trustees, in consultation with the Head of Centre, make decisions on staffing, budgeting, and performance reviews.

Trustees need to raise local public awareness of the need of children who have been so severely bullied that they cannot attend mainstream school. The aim is to draw attention to the fact that such children should be provided with full-time education and Red Balloon offers this service. This is addressed through local fundraising and engaging local businesses and schools in volunteering services or fundraising for us.

Red Balloon Learner Centre Reading is part of the wider Red Balloon Group. This provides a forum for the Trustees and staff to share experiences, discuss common problems and make joint representations to the Board of Red Balloon Learner Centre Group.

#### **Risk analysis**

The trustees have examined the major strategic and operational risks which the charity faces. The two main areas of concern are:

##### **1. Safeguarding and continued education of the students**

Safeguarding of students is of the highest priority and is continually monitored. Ongoing staff training in Health & Safety and Child Protection is provided regularly. In addition, a full range of policies are regularly reviewed by staff and trustees.

##### **2. Sourcing of funding for students**

Staff, supported by Trustees, continue to make strenuous efforts building and maintaining good relationships with education establishments and local authorities. The Trustees and Head of Centre have developed a fee pricing structure that reflects the varying support and educational needs of each student.

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

# **RED BALLOON LEARNER CENTRE READING**

## **TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022**

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### **Achievements and Performance of the Charity**

The trustees are satisfied with the performance of the charity for the year ending 31 August 2022. The objectives of the charity are only achieved through the skill, hard work and dedication of the staff and volunteers at Red Balloon and as Trustees we are indebted to the team.

The charity supported 25 students during the year. Of these students 14 were still with us at the start of the 2022/23 academic year. Of those who left, eight were year 11 or older, seven of whom transitioned to further education or training. Three younger students were supported to transition to provision more appropriate to their needs. Five students sat GCSE and/or Functional Skills exams in the summer of 2022. Although not all predicted grades were achieved, the results were very positive given this was the first traditional set of exams since the pandemic lockdowns.

During the year we received funding to support the development of our new speech and language therapy offer, to purchase new resources and instruments for art and music therapy, and to organise a special event for students.

Red Balloon is not just about academic results but about giving students a wider learning experience and focusing on wellbeing and personal development. Significant time, energy and expertise is given to ensuring this is achieved.

### **Wellbeing**

Wellbeing provision is central to our support of students and this year in particular we worked to put more structure into the mentoring sessions by trialling a new role, the Pastoral Student Support Assistant (SSA). The pastoral team (Lead Therapist, Outreach Manager, SENCO and Pastoral SSA) met more regularly this year and completed a review of the therapeutic and well-being support being offered to students. This helped to identify gaps. We added Speech and Language Therapy (SALT) to our offer and this year have offered one-to-one and group sessions for those students who have SALT identified on their EHCP. We also started using the Warwick-Edinburgh Wellbeing Scale to track well-being progression.

The Outreach programme continued to develop with our Outreach Manager and Outreach Worker supporting 15 young people and their families over the year. To improve communication one of our Student Support Assistants has been identified to work in a liaison role between Outreach and the Centre.

We have continued to run Circle Time sessions and have involved students in community activities within the Centre. All students have a tutor and at the beginning of the day there is a tutor time session from 9-9.15 am. We also trialled a Friday Assembly which gave us an opportunity to come together as a community before lessons began. Eating together is another important part of our wellbeing and pastoral care and this aspect of the provision has changed since the first Covid-19 lockdown. A small number of students eat in the Community room with an equal number eating upstairs in the group space.

### **Wider learning and personal development**

Following the lifting of restrictions we were able to offer a less limited range of enrichment activities for our students this year including trips to The Look Out Discovery Centre, The Base, Milestones, The Globe, Dinton Pastures, The Living Rainforest, Marwell Zoo and Thorpe Park, along with opportunities to try kayaking and rock climbing.

During the year we also had a range of cultural activities in the Centre and students took part in fundraising for Ukrainian refugees and in intergenerational work with Austen Care Home.

### **Future plans of the Charity**

After discussion with several local authorities and the drafting of a business plan, in March of 2021 we began looking in earnest for a location for a second site. Continued upward trends in referrals and the limitations to broaden the curriculum at our current site, reinforced our understanding of the gap in provision in this locality. Working with a local estate agent, a site was identified. Unfortunately our application for change of use was rejected by the borough council. We remain committed to establishing a second centre and continue our search for a suitable site.

# **RED BALLOON LEARNER CENTRE READING**

## **TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)** **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022**

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### **Financial review**

Total unrestricted income during the period was £671,917 (2021 - £622,642) an increase of 7.9%. This consisted largely of income from the local authorities which was received to fund the education and wellbeing of the students whilst outside mainstream education. Total restricted donations in the year were £6,128 (2021 - £34,973), see note 13 for details of these funds.

Total expenditure was £630,569 (2021 - £546,319) and was incurred in performance of the charitable activities of the company, including staffing, direct student costs, rent, utilities and other general running costs.

An unrestricted surplus of £47,862 was recorded, bringing total unrestricted funds to £380,989 and within our targeted reserve policy.

We would like to thank all those that have fundraised, donated and volunteered time during the year.

The Trustees policy on financial reserves is to ensure a minimum of 3-6 months of reserves are held in the bank account, in addition to any specifically determined requirements.

### **Reserves policy**

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### **The investment policy and objectives**

The trustees' policy on investment is to retain the surplus funds in interest bearing deposit accounts.

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were:

Ms G T Godwin	(Resigned 30 November 2022)
Mr T Lake	
Mr G M McDonald	(Resigned 31 August 2022)
Dr J A Nicholsby	
Mr A D H Pearson	
Mr D R Whittle	
Ms L Preston	(Appointed 22 June 2022)
Ms C Billing	(Appointed 18 October 2022)
Ms A Gupta	(Appointed 14 September 2022)

# RED BALLOON LEARNER CENTRE READING

## TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

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### Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The Trustees (who are also Directors of the Red Balloon Learner Centre Reading for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustee's Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Company law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law, the Trustees have prepared the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Standards and applicable law. Under company law the directors 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 company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements the Board is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Statement of Recommended Practices: Accounting and Reporting by Charities (2015);
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK accounting standards, comprising FRS102, have been followed, subject to any material differences and explained in the financial statements, and;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

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

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



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**Mr A D H Pearson**

Trustee

Dated: 26<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2023

# RED BALLOON LEARNER CENTRE READING

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF RED BALLOON LEARNER CENTRE READING

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I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 August 2022, which are set out on pages 6 to 17.

#### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act').

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the '2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

#### *Independent examiner's report*

Since the company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those accounting records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



Edwin Smith

Chartered Accountants  
32 Queens Road  
Reading  
RG1 4AU

12 May 2023

Dated: .....



# RED BALLOON LEARNER CENTRE READING

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 AUGUST 2022

	Notes	2022 £	£	2021 £	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>					
Tangible assets	10		26,145		26,617
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	11	3,796		177,867	
Cash at bank and in hand		410,103		355,619	
		413,899		533,486	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	12	(29,380)		(196,915)	
Net current assets			384,519		336,571
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			410,664		363,188
<b>Income funds</b>					
Restricted funds	13		29,675		30,061
<u>Unrestricted funds</u>					
Designated funds	14	168,187		178,560	
General unrestricted funds		212,802		154,567	
			380,989		333,127
			410,664		363,188

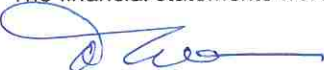
The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 August 2022.

The director acknowledges her responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on 26<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2023



Mr A D H Pearson  
Trustee

Company registration number 7150417

# RED BALLOON LEARNER CENTRE READING

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total 2021 £
<b>Income from:</b>							
Donations and legacies	2	-	6,128	6,128	4,418	34,973	39,391
Charitable activities	3	671,757	-	671,757	618,197	-	618,197
Investments	4	160	-	160	27	-	27
<b>Total income</b>		<u>671,917</u>	<u>6,128</u>	<u>678,045</u>	<u>622,642</u>	<u>34,973</u>	<u>657,615</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>							
Charitable activities	5	<u>624,055</u>	<u>6,514</u>	<u>630,569</u>	<u>508,419</u>	<u>37,900</u>	<u>546,319</u>
Gross transfers between funds		-	-	-	(13,897)	13,897	-
<b>Net income/(expenditure) for the year/</b>							
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		47,862	(386)	47,476	100,326	10,970	111,296
Fund balances at 1 September 2021		<u>333,127</u>	<u>30,061</u>	<u>363,188</u>	<u>232,801</u>	<u>19,091</u>	<u>251,892</u>
<b>Fund balances at 31 August 2022</b>		<u><u>380,989</u></u>	<u><u>29,675</u></u>	<u><u>410,664</u></u>	<u><u>333,127</u></u>	<u><u>30,061</u></u>	<u><u>363,188</u></u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

# RED BALLOON LEARNER CENTRE READING

## STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

	Notes	2022 £	£	2021 £	£
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>					
Cash generated from operations	16		62,612		83,260
<b>Investing activities</b>					
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(8,288)		(30,990)	
Investment income received		160		27	
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>			(8,128)		(30,963)
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>			-		-
<b>Net increase in cash and cash equivalents</b>			54,484		52,297
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year			355,619		303,322
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at end of year</b>			410,103		355,619

# RED BALLOON LEARNER CENTRE READING

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022**

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### **1 Accounting policies**

#### **Charity information**

Red Balloon Learner Centre Reading is a registered charity and a company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is 220 Kings Road, Reading, RG1 4JJ.

#### **1.1 Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's [governing document], the Companies Act 2006, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "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 charity is a Public Benefit Entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

#### **1.2 Going concern**

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

#### **1.3 Charitable funds**

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subject to specific conditions by donors as to how they may be used. The purposes and uses of the restricted funds are set out in the notes to the financial statements.

#### **1.4 Income**

All income resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is entitled to, and sufficiently certain to receive, the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

The following policies apply to particular categories of income:

- Voluntary income is received by way of grants, donations and gifts and is included in full when receivable.
- Incoming resources from charitable activities are accounted for when earned. Deferred income relates to student fees which relate to future accounting periods.

# RED BALLOON LEARNER CENTRE READING

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### 1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges are allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of any VAT that cannot be recovered.

#### 1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Expenditure on fixed assets is only capitalised where it exceeds £1,000 and has an expected useful life greater than one year.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Fixtures and fittings	7 years straight line
Computers	3 years straight line
Motor vehicles	5 years straight line

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

#### 1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

At each reporting end date, the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. If any such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

#### 1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and cash held at bank current accounts and short term highly liquid investments held on deposit accounts.

#### 1.9 Financial instruments

The charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transactions value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

#### 1.10 Leases

Operating leases are recognised over the period of which the lease falls due on a straight line basis.

#### 1.11 Pension Schemes

Employees of the charity are automatically enrolled into a defined contribution scheme unless they have exercised their right to opt out. The charity contribution is restricted to the contributions disclosed in note 8. The costs of the defined contribution scheme are included within unrestricted funds.

# RED BALLOON LEARNER CENTRE READING

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

### 1 Accounting policies (Continued)

#### 1.12 Debtors

Debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due.

#### 1.13 Creditors

Creditors and provisions are recognised as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

### 2 Donations and legacies

	Restricted funds	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	2022	2021	2021	2021
	£	£	£	£
Donations	6,128	4,418	34,973	39,391

### 3 Charitable activities

	Charitable Activities 2022	Charitable Activities 2021
	£	£
Student fees	671,757	618,197

### 4 Investments

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2022	2021
	£	£
Interest receivable	160	27

# RED BALLOON LEARNER CENTRE READING

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

### 5 Charitable activities

	Charitable Activities 2022 £	Charitable Activities 2021 £
Staff costs	439,916	349,226
Depreciation and impairment	8,760	4,373
Travel and subsistence	2,949	5,402
Student operating costs	35,864	25,124
Red Balloon of the air costs	5,405	34,532
Other teaching resources	8,191	9,768
Accommodation, food and cleaning	6,801	6,407
Communication	1,052	4,012
Insurance	4,368	3,230
Red Balloon Educational Trust support fees	8,000	8,000
Consumables	10,048	11,255
Rent and rates	27,596	27,143
Training and recruitment	6,967	13,479
Repairs and maintenance	29,170	22,887
Office equipment	3,420	2,336
Utilities	6,496	5,849
Sundry operating expenditure	883	892
Other charitable expenditure	1,547	-
	<u>607,433</u>	<u>533,915</u>
Share of governance costs (see note 6)	23,136	12,404
	<u>630,569</u>	<u>546,319</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>		
Unrestricted funds	624,055	508,419
Restricted funds	6,514	37,900
	<u>630,569</u>	<u>546,319</u>

# RED BALLOON LEARNER CENTRE READING

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

### 6 Support costs

There were no support costs during the year (2021: Nil). Governance costs were as follows:

	<b>Governance costs 2022 £</b>	<b>Governance costs 2021 £</b>
Independent examiners fee	835	720
Professional services	22,301	11,684
	<u>23,136</u>	<u>12,404</u>
Analysed between Charitable activities	<u>23,136</u>	<u>12,404</u>

### 7 Trustees

No members of the Board of Trustees and Directors received any remuneration during the year or prior year and no expenses were reimbursed.

No trustee or other person related to the charity has any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year or prior year.

### 8 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	<b>2022 Number</b>	<b>2021 Number</b>
	<u>21</u>	<u>19</u>
<b>Employment costs</b>	<b>2022 £</b>	<b>2021 £</b>
Wages and salaries	401,316	325,108
Social security costs	25,782	18,321
Other pension costs	7,800	5,797
	<u>434,898</u>	<u>349,226</u>

The key management personnel of the charity comprise the trustees, the Head of Centre and two Deputy Heads. The total employment benefits of the key management personnel of the Trust was £101,464 (2021 - £71,070 - previously only one Deputy Head)

There were no employees whose annual remuneration was more than £60,000.



# RED BALLOON LEARNER CENTRE READING

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

### 9 Taxation

No liability to UK corporation tax arises as the company enjoys charitable status.

### 10 Tangible fixed assets

	Fixtures and fittings	Computers	Motor vehicles	Total
	£	£	£	£
<b>Cost</b>				
At 1 September 2021	-	10,590	20,400	30,990
Additions	1,752	6,536	-	8,288
At 31 August 2022	1,752	17,126	20,400	39,278
<b>Depreciation and impairment</b>				
At 1 September 2021	-	1,653	2,720	4,373
Depreciation charged in the year	188	4,492	4,080	8,760
At 31 August 2022	188	6,145	6,800	13,133
<b>Carrying amount</b>				
At 31 August 2022	1,564	10,981	13,600	26,145
At 31 August 2021	-	8,937	17,680	26,617

### 11 Debtors

	2022	2021
	£	£
<b>Amounts falling due within one year:</b>		
Trade debtors	-	174,265
Prepayments and accrued income	3,796	3,602
	3,796	177,867

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

	2022	2021
	£	£
Other taxation and social security	6,069	659
Trade creditors	19,057	14,284
Other creditors	1,519	1,191
Accruals and deferred income	2,735	180,781
	29,380	196,915

# RED BALLOON LEARNER CENTRE READING

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

#### 13 Restricted funds

The income funds of the charity include restricted funds comprising the following unexpended balances of donations and grants held on trust for specific purposes:

	Balance at 1 September 2020		Movement in funds		Transfers	Balance at 1 September 2021		Movement in funds		Balance at 31 August 2022
	£	£	Incoming resources	Resources expended		£	£	Incoming resources	Resources expended	
Bursary	7,704	-	-	-	13,897	21,600	-	-	-	21,600
Dark Room	134	-	-	-	-	134	-	-	-	134
Music Therapy	-	-	-	-	-	-	630	(224)	(2,858)	406
Student Therapy	8,548	2,520	(6,480)	-	-	4,588	-	-	(2,858)	1,730
Building work	2,705	3,570	(5,967)	-	-	308	-	-	-	308
Community	-	10,000	(9,333)	-	-	668	-	-	-	668
Minibus	-	15,000	(15,000)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Garden	-	2,488	(1,120)	-	-	1,368	-	(797)	(797)	571
3D Printer	-	1,095	-	-	-	1,095	-	(386)	(386)	709
SALT & Seymour Trust	-	300	-	-	-	300	4,698	(2,249)	(2,249)	2,749
Special Events	-	-	-	-	-	-	800	-	-	800
	19,091	34,973	(37,900)		13,897	30,061	6,128	(6,514)		29,675

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

#### 13 Restricted funds

(Continued)

#### Purpose of the restricted funds

- Bursary - Funds to contribute to a Bursary for a student to attend Red Balloon Reading.
- Dark Room - Funds to develop a photography dark room at Red Balloon Reading.
- Music Therapy - Funds to cover the cost of a music therapist.
- Student Therapy - Funds to provide therapeutic provisions to our students, for example equine or canine therapy.
- Building work - Funds to enhance the learner centre to provide our students with the best learning and therapeutic environment.
- Community - Funds to enable the recruitment of an Outreach Worker.
- Minibus - Grant funding to purchase a vehicle for student trips and visits.
- Garden - Grant funding to enhance the outdoor areas of the Centre for students to enjoy.
- 3D Printer - Personal donation to purchase a 3D printer to support teaching and learning.
- SALT & Seymour Trust - Funds to support a newly implemented programme of speech and language therapy.
- Special Events - Funds raised to contribute towards a trip or sporting event.

# RED BALLOON LEARNER CENTRE READING

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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### 14 Designated funds

The income funds of the charity include the following designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes:

	Movement in funds				
	Balance at 1 September 2020	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Balance at 1 September 2021	Resources expended
	£	£	£	£	£
Expansion	-	180,000	(1,440)	178,560	(10,373)
	-	180,000	(1,440)	178,560	(10,373)

#### Purpose of the designated funds

- Expansion - Funds to support the opening of a second centre in the Reading area.

### 15 Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions outside of those transactions with other Red Balloon entities.

The members of the Company comprise the trustees and Red Balloon Educational Trust (company number 05385341). Copies of its consolidated accounts, which include the Company, are available from its registered address Willow Lodge, 37 High Street, Milton, Cambridge, England, CB24 6DF.

16 Cash generated from operations	2022 £	2021 £
Surplus for the year	47,476	111,296
Adjustments for:		
Investment income recognised in statement of financial activities	(160)	(27)
Depreciation and impairment of tangible fixed assets	8,760	4,373
Movements in working capital:		
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	174,071	(66,601)
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(167,535)	34,219
<b>Cash generated from operations</b>	<b>62,612</b>	<b>83,260</b>