

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

England & Wales · Charity number 1150466

## Details

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Other names	LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS' PARTNERSHIP, LLGSP
Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	<a href="#">07584163</a>
Registered	2013-01-14
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission register</a>

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## Activities

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**Objects:** TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT BY CREATING AND MAINTAINING A PARTNERSHIP OF SCHOOLS IN THE WIGAN AND WARRINGTON AREA.

**Activities:** To advance the education for the public benefit creating and maintaining a partnership of schools in Wigan and Warrington area.

## Classification

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- **How:** Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Other Finance, Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People

## Geography

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- Warrington
- Wigan

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£76,484	£77,220	-	-
2024-08-31	£77,827	£95,174	-	-
2023-08-31	£61,580	£84,540	-	-
2022-08-31	£54,580	£67,701	-	-
2021-03-31	£27,523	£24,565	-	-
2020-03-31	£85,346	£81,034	-	-

## Trustees

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Name	Role	Appointed
Catherine William		2018-09-28
Claire Hill		2023-09-01
Claire Oxborough		2023-09-01
Emma Jane Lightfoot		2019-09-27
Joanne Woods		2023-09-01
Lisa Jane Draper		2025-03-06

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025**

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## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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<b>Trustees</b>	Mrs C Williams	
	Mrs E Lightfoot	
	Mrs C Hill	(Appointed 1 September 2024)
	Mrs J Woods	(Appointed 1 September 2024)
	Mrs C Oxborough	(Appointed 1 September 2024)
	Mrs L Draper	(Appointed 6 March 2025)
<b>Country of incorporation</b>	United Kingdom (England and Wales)	07584163
<b>Charity registration</b>	England and Wales	1150466
<b>Registered office</b>	Leigh St Thomas CE Primary School Leigh Lancashire WN7 2AS	

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# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## TRUSTEES REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

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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)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016)

#### **Objectives and activities**

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The Charity achieves its objectives by holding seminars and conferences to promote best educational practice.

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The Trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the Charity should undertake.

#### **Achievements and performance**

##### *Significant activities and achievements against objectives*

This period the charity's expenditure exceeded income and there is a deficit for the year. The trustees are pleased with the results for the year.

The charity is pleased with its achievement in supporting school improvements and facilitating the professional development of staff.

Our on-going commitment as the Leigh, Lowton and Golborne Schools Partnership (LLG) is to secure excellent teaching and leadership across the Consortia, with a relentless drive for a first class education and improved outcomes for the pupils in all of our schools. The Partnership continues to create exciting opportunities to further raise aspirations, progress, and achievement for all pupils. It is founded on the strong principals of collaboration, mutual support, rigour, challenge, trust, professional dialogue and debate.

During the 2024-2025 academic year Ofsted visited 13 out of the 25 LLG Schools. We are delighted that 96% of our schools are now graded as Good or better. Following the 2024 Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) outcomes, the Trustees commissioned a programme of training and support which resulted in much improved outcomes at the end of 2025, improvements which received positive comments from the Local Authority. LLG are committed to ensuring all our youngest pupils have the best start to their formal education and make the very best progress at this most important stage of their education.

In 2025-26 our plan is to continue with the current consultancy support for schools and those aspects established and working well as outlined above, as well as developing new training programmes. These include: training for Teaching Assistants within the EYFS, developing writing within the EYFS and ensuring a successful and smooth transition from EYFS to Year1; and developing a whole school strategy on the effective use of TAs.

Ultimately our fundamental purpose and moral responsibility to those families and children in our care is to further promote school improvement and raise standards for all our children. We will strive to achieve this through continued challenge and support across the whole LLG Consortia.

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## TRUSTEES REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

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### Financial review

The trustees have no formal policy to maintain a level of reserves however they are conscious of their responsibilities and monitor the level of reserves to ensure the charity can meet its liabilities.

During the period, the charity made a deficit of £736.

At the period end, the reserves were £4,984 (2024 £5,720).

### Structure, governance and management

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Mrs C Williams

Mrs E Lightfoot

Ms M Daley

(Resigned 31 December 2024)

Mrs C Hill

(Appointed 1 September 2024)

Mrs J Woods

(Appointed 1 September 2024)

Mrs C Oxborough

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(Appointed 6 March 2025)

Ms J Hankinson

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**TRUSTEES REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)**  
***FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025***

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The Trustees report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

*Cathie Williams*

Cathie Williams (May 21, 2026 15:08:28 GMT+1)

Mrs C Williams

**Trustee**

15 May 2026

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

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I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Leigh, Lowton and Golborne Schools Partnership (the Charity) for the year ended 31 August 2025.

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

As the Trustees of the Charity (and also its directors for the purposes of company law), you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

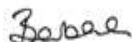
Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the Charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act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

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

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 that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 386 of the Companies Act 2006.
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the financial statements give a true and fair view, which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- 4 the financial statements 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 financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.



Barbara Shuttleworth

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15 May 2026

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

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

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025**

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		Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Unrestricted funds 2024 £
	Notes		
<b>Income from:</b>			
Charitable activities	3	76,484	77,827
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<b>Total income</b>		76,484	77,827
<b>Expenditure on:</b>			
Charitable activities	4	77,220	95,174
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<b>Total expenditure</b>		77,220	95,174
		<hr/>	<hr/>
<b>Net expenditure and movement in funds</b>		(736)	(17,347)
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>			
Fund balances at 1 September 2024		5,720	23,067
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<b>Fund balances at 31 August 2025</b>		4,984	5,720
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The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 AUGUST 2025

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	Notes	2025 £	£	2024 £	£
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	9	3,000		11,000	
Cash at bank and in hand		66,782		58,318	
		<u>69,782</u>		<u>69,318</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	10	(64,798)		(63,598)	
<b>Net current assets</b>			<u>4,984</u>		<u>5,720</u>
<b>The funds of the Charity</b>					
Unrestricted funds	11		<u>4,984</u>		<u>5,720</u>
			<u>4,984</u>		<u>5,720</u>

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 2025.

The directors acknowledge their 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 15 May 2026

*Cathie Williams*  
Cathie Williams (May 21, 2026 15:08:28 GMT+1)

Mrs C Williams  
Trustee

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

*FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025*

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### 1 Accounting policies

#### Charity information

Leigh, Lowton and Golborne Schools Partnership is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Leigh St Thomas CE Primary School, Leigh, Lancashire, WN7 2AS.

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance 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)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). 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 applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 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 or grantors 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

Income is recognised when the Charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the Charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount.

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and represents amounts receivable for goods and services provided in the normal course of business.

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

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### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### 1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.

- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.

- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

#### 1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

#### 1.7 Financial instruments

The Charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the Charity's balance sheet when the Charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

##### **Basic financial assets**

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

##### **Basic financial liabilities**

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

### 1 Accounting policies (Continued)

#### *Derecognition of financial liabilities*

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the Charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

### 2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

### 3 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2025	2024
	£	£
Services provided under contract	76,484	77,827

### 4 Expenditure on charitable activities

	2025	2024
	£	£
<b>Direct costs</b>		
Room hire	7,127	6,578
Insurance	246	271
Legal and professional fees	1,086	1,146
Conference expenses	6,730	5,816
Consultants and speakers	61,189	80,349
General expenses	842	764
Training	-	250
	<u>77,220</u>	<u>95,174</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>		
Unrestricted funds	<u>77,220</u>	<u>95,174</u>

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

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### 5 Trustees

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the Charity during the year.

### 6 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2025 Number	2024 Number
Total	-	-

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

### 7 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

### 8 Independent Examination

During the year, the charity paid £600 for an Independent Examination and £486 for other services.

### 9 Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
<b>Amounts falling due within one year:</b>		
Trade debtors	3,000	-
Prepayments and accrued income	-	11,000
	<u>3,000</u>	<u>11,000</u>

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

	2025 £	2024 £
Accruals and deferred income	64,798	63,598

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

#### 11 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 1 September 2024 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31 August 2025 £
General funds	5,720	76,484	(77,220)	4,984
	<u>5,720</u>	<u>76,484</u>	<u>(77,220)</u>	<u>4,984</u>
<b>Previous year:</b>				
	At 1 September 2023 £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	At 31 August 2024 £
General funds	23,067	77,827	(95,174)	5,720
	<u>23,067</u>	<u>77,827</u>	<u>(95,174)</u>	<u>5,720</u>

#### 12 Analysis of net assets between funds

	<b>Unrestricted funds 2025 £</b>
<b>At 31 August 2025:</b>	
Current assets/(liabilities)	4,984
	<u>4,984</u>
	<u>4,984</u>
	<b>Unrestricted funds 2024 £</b>
<b>At 31 August 2024:</b>	
Current assets/(liabilities)	5,720
	<u>5,720</u>
	<u>5,720</u>

#### 13 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2024 - none).

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In 2023-2024 activities included: training for wider curriculum subject leaders e.g. History and Geography; a focus on SEND and including children with additional needs in a mainstream classroom (an increasingly prominent issue for all schools within the LLG and a major focus during Ofsted inspections); and Ofsted training for Governors.

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Ms M Daley	(Resigned 31 December 2024)
Ms J Hankinson	(Resigned 31 August 2024)
Ms S Leck	(Resigned 30 August 2024)
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# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

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

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

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The Trustees report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

*Cathie Williams*

Cathie Williams (Jun 4, 2025 14:28 GMT+1)

**Ms C Williams**

**Trustee**

28 May 2025

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

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I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Leigh, Lowton and Golborne Schools Partnership (the Charity) for the year ended 31 August 2024.

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

As the Trustees of the Charity (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the Charity 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 the Charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

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 that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements 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 financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.

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Dated: 28 May 2025

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

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	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Unrestricted funds 2023 £
<b>Income from:</b>			
Charitable activities		77,827	61,580
<b>Total income</b>		<u>77,827</u>	<u>61,580</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>			
Charitable activities	3	95,174	84,540
<b>Total expenditure</b>		<u>95,174</u>	<u>84,540</u>
<b>Net expenditure and movement in funds</b>		(17,347)	(22,960)
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>			
Fund balances at 1 September 2023		23,067	46,027
<b>Fund balances at 31 August 2024</b>		<u>5,720</u>	<u>23,067</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 AUGUST 2024

	Notes	2024 £	£	2023 £	£
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	8	11,000		-	
Cash at bank and in hand		58,318		86,617	
		<u>69,318</u>		<u>86,617</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	9	(63,598)		(63,550)	
<b>Net current assets</b>			5,720		23,067
<b>Net assets excluding pension liability</b>			<u>5,720</u>		<u>23,067</u>
			=====		=====
<b>The funds of the Charity</b>					
Unrestricted funds			5,720		23,067
			<u>5,720</u>		<u>23,067</u>
			=====		=====

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 2024.

The directors acknowledge their 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.

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# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

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

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### 1 Accounting policies

#### Charity information

Leigh, Lowton and Golborne Schools Partnership is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Leigh St Thomas CE Primary School, Leigh, Lancashire, WN7 2AS.

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

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The Charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 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.

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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 or grantors 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.

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# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

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### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### 1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

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- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

#### 1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

#### 1.7 Financial instruments

The Charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the Charity's balance sheet when the Charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

##### **Basic financial assets**

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

##### **Basic financial liabilities**

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### *Derecognition of financial liabilities*

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the Charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

### 2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

### 3 Expenditure on charitable activities

	2024	2023
	£	£
<b>Direct costs</b>		
Room hire	6,578	8,924
Insurance	271	263
Legal and professional fees	1,146	1,230
Conference expenses	5,816	6,396
Consultants and speakers	80,349	62,458
General expenses	764	2,769
Training	250	2,500
	<u>95,174</u>	<u>84,540</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>		
Unrestricted funds	<u>95,174</u>	<u>84,540</u>

### 4 Trustees

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the Charity during the year.

### 5 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2024	2023
	Number	Number
Total	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

### 6 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

### 7 Independent Examination

During the year , the charity paid £600 for an Independent Examination and £546 for other services.

### 8 Debtors

	2024	2023
	£	£
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Prepayments and accrued income	11,000	-
	<u>11,000</u>	<u>-</u>

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

	2024	2023
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	63,598	63,550
	<u>63,598</u>	<u>63,550</u>

### 10 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 1 September 2023	Incoming resources	Resources expended	At 31 August 2024
	£	£	£	£
General funds	23,067	77,827	(95,174)	5,720
	<u>23,067</u>	<u>77,827</u>	<u>(95,174)</u>	<u>5,720</u>
Previous year:				
	At 1 September 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	At 31 August 2023
	£	£	£	£
General funds	46,027	61,580	(84,540)	23,067
	<u>46,027</u>	<u>61,580</u>	<u>(84,540)</u>	<u>23,067</u>

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

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### 11 Analysis of net assets between funds

	<b>Unrestricted funds 2024 £</b>
<b>At 31 August 2024:</b>	
Current assets/(liabilities)	5,720
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	5,720
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	<b>Unrestricted funds 2023 £</b>
<b>At 31 August 2023:</b>	
Current assets/(liabilities)	23,067
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	23,067
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### 12 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2023 - none).


# Leigh, Lowton and Golborne Schools Partnership 2024


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**LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP**

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**Company registration number 07584163 (England and Wales)**

**LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP  
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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<b>Trustees</b>	Ms C Williams Mrs E Lightfoot Ms J Hankinson Mrs C Hill  Mrs J Woods  Mrs C Oxborough	(Appointed 1 September 2023) (Appointed 1 September 2023) (Appointed 1 September 2023)
<b>Charity number</b>	1150466	
<b>Company number</b>	07584163	
<b>Registered office</b>	Leigh St Thomas CE Primary School Leigh Lancashire WN7 2AS	
<b>Independent examiner</b>	S Wilcock Incom House Waterside Trafford Park Manchester M17 1WD	

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# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

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# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## TRUSTEES REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023**

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The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2023.

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)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016)

### **Objectives and activities**

The Charity's objects of the charity are :

To advance the education for the public benefit by creating and maintaining a partnership of schools in the Wigan and Warrington borough.

#### *Strategies for achieving aims and objectives*

The Charity achieves its objectives by holding seminars and conferences to promote best educational practice.

#### *Public benefit*

The Trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the Charity should undertake.

### **Achievements and performance**

#### *Significant activities and achievements against objectives*

This period the charity's expenditure exceeded income and there is a deficit for the year. The trustees are pleased with the results for the year.

The charity is pleased with its achievement in supporting school improvements and facilitating the professional development of staff.

The company's achievement for the year has been to maintain a successful track record with our schools continuing to work together to secure on-going improvement. 90% of our schools were judged good or better at their latest Ofsted inspection. Training has been accessed for all teachers and senior leaders in school to further develop their skills in the planning, implementation and assessment of the curriculum and its delivery in an attempt to secure the highest quality of education for our pupils. The company's future plans are to secure excellent teaching and leadership across the company, with a relentless drive for a first class education and improved outcomes for the pupils in all our schools. Through continued challenge and support, we will further promote school improvement and raised standards for our children, which is ultimately our fundamental purpose and moral responsibility to those families and children in our care.

### **Financial review**

The trustees have no formal policy to maintain a level of reserves however they are conscious of their responsibilities and monitor the level of reserves to ensure the charity can meet its liabilities.

During the period, the charity made a deficit of £22,960.

At the period end, the reserves were £23,067 (2022 £46,027).

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

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

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

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### Structure, governance and management

The company was incorporated at Companies House on 30 March 2011 and was registered as a charity with the Charity Commission on 14 January 2013. It commenced its activities on 9 June 2011. The charity is a company limited by guarantee and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association (as amended by special resolution). The company provides a support service to a cluster of schools.

Trustees are elected by members of the charity in General meeting. Trustees hold office until the Annual General Meeting when Trustees can offer themselves for re-election or re-appointment.

The Trustees delegate the daily running of the Charity to the Project Manager, Mrs A Davies, who acts as Charity Co-ordinator, and her support staff. The charity is considered to be under the control of the Board of Trustees as a whole.

The chair of the Trustees is responsible for the induction of any new trustee which involves awareness of a trustee's responsibilities, the governing document, administrative procedures and the history and philosophical approach of the charity. A new trustee would receive copies of the previous year's annual report and accounts, and a copy of the Charity Commission leaflet 'The Essential Trustee: What You Need to Know'.

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:

Mrs W S Cathie	(Resigned 1 January 2024)
Ms C Williams	
Mrs E Lightfoot	
Ms C Burns	(Resigned 1 September 2023)
Ms M Daley	(Resigned 1 September 2023)
Ms J Hankinson	
Ms S Leck	(Resigned 1 September 2023)
Mrs C Hill	(Appointed 1 September 2023)
Mrs J Woods	(Appointed 1 September 2023)
Mrs C Oxborough	(Appointed 1 September 2023)

### Recruitment and appointment of trustees

#### Other matters

### Plans for future periods

The trustees intend to continue to be a dynamic and highly successful partnership of schools working positively together in Leigh, Lowton and Golborne to enhance the life chances and opportunities and aspirations for all our children.

The Trustees report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

  
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Ms C Williams  
Trustee

29 May 2024

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

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Charitable activities		61,580	54,580
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<b>Expenditure on:</b>			
Charitable activities	3	84,540	67,701
<b>Total expenditure</b>		84,540	67,701
<b>Net expenditure and movement in funds</b>		(22,960)	(13,121)
<b>Reconciliation of funds:</b>			
Fund balances at 1 September 2022		46,027	59,148
<b>Fund balances at 31 August 2023</b>		23,067	46,027

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# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 AUGUST 2023

	Notes	2023 £	£	2022 £	£
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	8	-		1,547	
Cash at bank and in hand		86,617		95,398	
		<u>86,617</u>		<u>96,945</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	9	(63,550)		(50,918)	
<b>Net current assets</b>			23,067		46,027
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The Charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the Charity's balance sheet when the Charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

##### **Basic financial assets**

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

##### **Basic financial liabilities**

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### *Derecognition of financial liabilities*

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the Charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

### 2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

### 3 Expenditure on charitable activities

	2023	2022
	£	£
<b>Direct costs</b>		
Room hire	8,924	1,527
Insurance	263	263
Legal and professional fees	1,230	1,822
Conference expenses	6,396	6,344
Consultants and speakers	62,458	56,317
General expenses	2,769	1,028
Training	2,500	400
	<u>84,540</u>	<u>67,701</u>
<b>Analysis by fund</b>		
Unrestricted funds	<u>84,540</u>	<u>67,701</u>

### 4 Trustees

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the Charity during the year.

### 5 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2023	2022
	Number	Number
Total	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

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

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

### 5 Employees (Continued)

#### Remuneration of key management personnel

The remuneration of key management personnel was as follows:

### 6 Taxation

The charity is exempt from taxation on its activities because all its income is applied for charitable purposes.

### 7 Independent Examination

During the year, the charity paid £600 for an Independent Examination and £402 for other services.

### 8 Debtors

	2023	2022
	£	£
<b>Amounts falling due within one year:</b>		
Prepayments and accrued income	-	1,547
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

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

	2023	2022
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	63,550	50,918
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

### 10 Unrestricted funds

The unrestricted funds of the charity comprise the unexpended balances of donations and grants which are not subject to specific conditions by donors and grantors as to how they may be used. These include designated funds which have been set aside out of unrestricted funds by the trustees for specific purposes.

	At 1 September 2022	Incoming resources	Resources expended	At 31 August 2023
	£	£	£	£
General funds	46,027	61,580	(84,540)	23,067
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>
<b>Previous period:</b>				
	At 1 September 2021	Incoming resources	Resources expended	At 31 August 2022
	£	£	£	£
General funds	59,148	54,580	(67,701)	46,027
	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>	<u>          </u>

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

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### 11 Analysis of net assets between funds

	<b>Unrestricted funds 2023 £</b>
<b>At 31 August 2023:</b>	
Current assets/(liabilities)	23,067
	<u>23,067</u>
	<u><u>23,067</u></u>
	<b>Unrestricted funds 2022 £</b>
<b>At 31 August 2022:</b>	
Current assets/(liabilities)	46,027
	<u>46,027</u>
	<u><u>46,027</u></u>

### 12 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2022 - none).

**LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP**

England & Wales - Charity number 1150466

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# Accounts

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Charity registration number 1150466

Company registration number 07584163 (England and Wales)

**LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP  
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022**

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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<b>Trustees</b>	Mrs W S Cathie Ms C Williams Mrs E Lightfoot Ms C Burns Ms M Daley Ms J Hankinson Ms S Leck	(Appointed 5 April 2022) (Appointed 5 April 2022) (Appointed 5 April 2022) (Appointed 5 April 2022)
<b>Charity number</b>	1150466	
<b>Company number</b>	07584163	
<b>Registered office</b>	Leigh St Thomas CE Primary School Leigh Lancashire WN7 2AS	
<b>Independent examiner</b>	S Wilcock Incom House Waterside Trafford Park Manchester M17 1WD	

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# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

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# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## TRUSTEES REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

### FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

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The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the period 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)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016)

#### **Objectives and activities**

The Charity's objects of the charity are :

To advance the education for the public benefit by creating and maintaining a partnership of schools in the Wigan and Warrington borough.

The Charity achieves its objectives by holding seminars and conferences to promote best educational practice.

The Trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the Charity should undertake.

#### **Achievements and performance**

This period the charity's expenditure exceeded income and there is a deficit for the year. The trustees are pleased with the results for the year.

The charity is pleased with its achievement in supporting school improvements and facilitating the professional development of staff..

The company's achievement for the year has been to maintain a successful track record with our schools continuing to work together to secure on-going improvement. 96% of our schools were judged good or better at their latest Ofsted inspection. Training has been accessed for all teachers and senior leaders in school to further develop their skills in the planning, implementation and assessment of the curriculum and it's delivery in an attempt to secure the highest quality of education for our pupils. The company's future plans are to secure excellent teaching and leadership across the company, with a relentless drive for a first class education and improved outcomes for the pupils in all our schools. Through continued challenge and support, we will further promote school improvement and raised standards for our children, which is ultimately our fundamental purpose and moral responsibility to those families and children in our care.

#### **Financial review**

The trustees have no formal policy to maintain a level of reserves however they are conscious of their responsibilities and monitor the level of reserves to ensure the charity can meet its liabilities.

During the period, the charity made a deficit of £13,121.

At the period end, the reserves were £46,027 (2021 £59,148).

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

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

### FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

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#### Structure, governance and management

The company was incorporated at Companies House on 30 March 2011 and was registered as a charity with the Charity Commission on 14 January 2013. It commenced its activities on 9 June 2011. The charity is a company limited by guarantee and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association (as amended by special resolution). The company provides a support service to a cluster of schools.

Trustees are elected by members of the charity in General meeting. Trustees hold office until the Annual General Meeting when Trustees can offer themselves for re-election or re-appointment.

The Trustees delegate the daily running of the Charity to the Project Manager, Mrs A Davies, who acts as Charity Co-ordinator, and her support staff. The charity is considered to be under the control of the Board of Trustees as a whole.

The chair of the Trustees is responsible for the induction of any new trustee which involves awareness of a trustee's responsibilities, the governing document, administrative procedures and the history and philosophical approach of the charity. A new trustee would receive copies of the previous year's annual report and accounts, and a copy of the Charity Commission leaflet 'The Essential Trustee: What You Need to Know'.

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

Mrs W S Cathie	
Mrs A J Davies	(Resigned 5 April 2022)
Ms C Williams	
Mrs A Burkes	(Resigned 5 April 2022)
Mrs E Lightfoot	
Mr D Sheriff	(Resigned 5 April 2022)
Ms C Burns	(Appointed 5 April 2022)
Ms M Daley	(Appointed 5 April 2022)
Ms J Hankinson	(Appointed 5 April 2022)
Ms S Leck	(Appointed 5 April 2022)

#### Plans for future periods

The trustees intend to continue to be a dynamic and highly successful partnership of schools working positively together in Leigh, Lowton and Golborne to enhance the life chances and opportunities and aspirations for all our children.

The Trustees report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

Mrs C Williams

Ms C Williams

Trustee

Date: .....09/05/2023.....

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

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I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Leigh, Lowton and Golborne Schools Partnership (the Charity) for the period ended 31 August 2022.

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

As the Trustees of the Charity (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the Charity 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 the Charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

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 that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements 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 financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.

#### **S Wilcock**

Incom House  
Waterside  
Trafford Park  
Manchester  
M17 1WD

Dated: .....09/05/2023.....

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

*FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022*

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		Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £
<b><u>Income from:</u></b>	<b>Notes</b>		
Charitable activities	3	54,580	27,523
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<b><u>Expenditure on:</u></b>			
Charitable activities	4	67,701	24,565
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<b>Net (expenditure)/income for the period/ Net movement in funds</b>		(13,121)	2,958
Fund balances at 1 April 2021		59,148	56,190
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<b>Fund balances at 31 August 2022</b>		46,027	59,148
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The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the period.

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.

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 AUGUST 2022

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	Notes	2022 £	£	2021 £	£
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	9	1,547		9,794	
Cash at bank and in hand		95,398		96,201	
		<u>96,945</u>		<u>105,995</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	10	(50,918)		(46,847)	
Net current assets			<u>46,027</u>		<u>59,148</u>
<b>Income funds</b>					
Unrestricted funds			<u>46,027</u>		<u>59,148</u>
			<u>46,027</u>		<u>59,148</u>

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

The directors acknowledge their 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 period 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 ...09/05/2023.....

Mrs C Williams

Ms C Williams  
Trustee

Company registration number 07584163

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

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### 1 Accounting policies

#### Charity information

Leigh, Lowton and Golborne Schools Partnership is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Leigh St Thomas CE Primary School, Leigh, Lancashire, WN7 2AS.

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance 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)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). 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 applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 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

Income is recognised when the Charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the Charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount.

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and represents amounts receivable for goods and services provided in the normal course of business.

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

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### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### 1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.

- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.

- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

#### 1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

#### 1.7 Financial instruments

The Charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the Charity's balance sheet when the Charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

##### **Basic financial assets**

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

##### **Basic financial liabilities**

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### *Derecognition of financial liabilities*

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the Charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

### 1.8 Period of accounts

The accounts have been prepared for a 17 month period. This is to coincide with the school year. The comparative figures are for a 12 month period.

### 2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

### 3 Charitable activities

	Income 2022 £	Income 2021 £
Services provided under contract	54,580	27,523

### 4 Charitable activities

	Expenses 2022 £	Expenses 2021 £
Room hire	1,527	-
Insurance	263	258
Legal and professional fees	1,822	1,026
Conference expenses	6,344	-
Consultants and speakers	56,317	22,335
General expenses	1,028	746
Training	400	200
	<u>67,701</u>	<u>24,565</u>
	<u>67,701</u>	<u>24,565</u>

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

### 5 Trustees

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the Charity during the period.

### 6 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the period was:

	2022 Number	2021 Number
Total	-	-

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

### 7 Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 or section 252 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects.

### 8 Independent Examination

During the year, the charity paid £600 for an Independent Examination and £402 for other services.

### 9 Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
<b>Amounts falling due within one year:</b>		
Trade debtors	-	7,000
Prepayments and accrued income	1,547	2,794
	<u>1,547</u>	<u>9,794</u>

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

	2022 £	2021 £
Accruals and deferred income	50,918	46,847
	<u>50,918</u>	<u>46,847</u>

### 11 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £
Fund balances at 31 August 2022 are represented by:		
Current assets/(liabilities)	46,027	59,148
	<u>46,027</u>	<u>59,148</u>

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

*FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022*

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### 12 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the period (2021 - none).

Leigh, Lowton and Golborne Schools  
Partnership  
Leigh St Thomas CE Primary School  
Astley Street  
Leigh  
Lancs  
WN7 2AS

Topping Partnership (Accountants) Limited  
40 Church Street  
Leigh  
Lancs  
WN7 1BB

9 May 2023

Dear Sirs

**Re: Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2022**

This representation letter is provided in connection with your preparation of the accounts of Leigh, Lowton and Golborne Schools Partnership for the year ended 31 August 2022 for the purpose of filing the statutory accounts of Leigh, Lowton and Golborne Schools Partnership with Companies House in accordance with The Companies Act 2006 and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (UK GAAP).

- 1 We acknowledge as trustees our responsibility for preparing financial statements in accordance with the Companies Act 2006 which give a true and fair view of the financial position of Leigh, Lowton and Golborne Schools Partnership as of 31 August 2022 and of the results of its operations for the year then ended and for making accurate representations to you. All accounting records and relevant information have been made available to you for the purpose of your preparation of the accounts and all transactions undertaken by the company have been properly reflected in the accounting records provided to you. All other records and related information, including minutes of all management and shareholders' meetings, have been made available to you. We have provided to you all other information requested and given unrestricted access to persons within the company from whom you have deemed it necessary to obtain information.
- 2 We acknowledge our responsibility for the design and implementation of internal control to prevent and detect error and fraud. We confirm the financial statements are free from material misstatements, including omissions. We believe that those uncorrected misstatements identified during the preparation of the accounts are immaterial both individually and in aggregate to the financial statements as a whole.
- 3 We have disclosed to you all information in relation to fraud or suspected fraud that we are aware of and that affects the entity and involves management, employees who have significant roles in internal control or others, where fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements. We have disclosed to you all information in relation to allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the entity's financial statements communicated by employees, former employees, analysts, regulators or others.

- 4 We confirm that we are not aware of any possible or actual instance of non-compliance with those laws and regulations which provide a legal framework within which the company conducts its business. The company has complied with all aspects of contractual agreements that could have a material effect on the financial statements in the event of non-compliance.
- 5 We have no plans or intentions that may materially alter the carrying value and where relevant the fair value measurements or classification of assets and liabilities reflected in the financial statements.
- 6 We confirm that we have disclosed to you the identity of the entity's related parties and all related party transactions relevant to the company and that we are not aware of further related party matters that require disclosure other than those already disclosed in the accounts. Related party relationships and transactions have been appropriately accounted for and disclosed in accordance with the requirements of accounting standards.
- 7 We confirm that, having considered our expectations and intentions for the next twelve months and the availability of working capital, the company is a going concern.
- 8 The company has satisfactory title to all assets and there are no liens or encumbrances on the assets except for those disclosed in the accounts.
- 9 There are no liabilities, contingent liabilities or guarantees to third parties other than those disclosed in the accounts.
- 10 There have been no events since the balance sheet date which require disclosure or which would materially affect the amounts in the accounts, other than those already disclosed or included in the accounts.
- 11 The company has at no time during the year any arrangement, transaction or agreement to provide credit facilities (including loans, quasi-loans or credit transactions) for the trustees nor to guarantee or provide security for such matters, except as disclosed in the accounts.
- 12 We have disclosed all known actual or possible litigation and claims whose effects should be considered when preparing the financial statements and these have been disclosed in accordance with the requirements of the accounting standards.
- 13 Significant assumptions used by us in making accounting estimates, including those measured at fair value, are reasonable.

We confirm to the best of our knowledge and belief that the above representations are made on the basis of enquiries of management and staff with relevant knowledge and experience and, where appropriate, of inspection of supporting documentation sufficient to satisfy ourselves that we can properly make each of the above representations to you.

Yours faithfully

Mrs C Williams

Mrs C Williams

Trustee

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Trustees**

**of**

**Leigh, Lowton and Golborne Schools Partnership  
(Company Limited by Guarantee)**

**held at**

**Leigh St Thomas CE Primary School, Astley Street, Leigh, Lancs, WN7 2AS**

**on 9 May 2023**

Present: Mrs W S Cathie  
Mrs C Williams  
Mrs E Lightfoot  
Mrs C Burns  
Mrs M Daley  
Mrs J Hankinson  
Mrs S Leck

In attendance: Mrs A J Davies

The Meeting has been called to consider and agree the company's financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2022.

The financial statements were considered and it was agreed by all present that the financial statements show a true and correct position. The meeting authorises the Trustees to formally agree and approve the financial statements and they should do so by Mrs C Williams appending her signature to the relevant copy financial statements and these should then be returned to Topping Partnership (Accountants) Limited for appropriate action.

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed.

Mrs C Williams  
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**LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP**

England & Wales - Charity number 1150466

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# Accounts

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Charity Registration No. 1150466

Company Registration No. 07584163 (England and Wales)

**LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP  
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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<b>Trustees</b>	Mrs W S Cathie Mrs A J Davies Ms C Williams Mrs A Burkes Mrs E Lightfoot Mr D Sheriff
<b>Charity number</b>	1150466
<b>Company number</b>	07584163
<b>Registered office</b>	Leigh St Thomas CE Primary School Leigh Lancashire WN7 2AS
<b>Independent examiner</b>	Daniel Bowles Incom House Waterside Trafford Park Manchester M17 1WD

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# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## TRUSTEES REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT)

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

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The Trustees present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021.

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)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016)

#### **Objectives and activities**

The Charity's objects of the charity are :

To advance the education for the public benefit by creating and maintaining a partnership of schools in the Wigan and Warrington borough.

The Charity achieves its objectives by holding seminars and conferences to promote best educational practice.

The Trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the Charity should undertake.

#### **Achievements and performance**

This year the charity's income exceeded expenditure and there is a surplus for the year.. The trustees are pleased with the results for the year.

The charity is pleased with its achievement in supporting school improvements and facilitating the professional development of staff..

#### **Financial review**

The trustees have no formal policy to maintain a level of reserves however they are conscious of their responsibilities and monitor the level of reserves to ensure the charity can meet its liabilities.

During the year, the charity made a surplus of £2,958.

At the year end, due to the surplus, the reserves were £59,148 (2020 £56,190).

#### **Structure, governance and management**

The company was incorporated at Companies House on 30 March 2011 and was registered as a charity with the Charity Commission on 14 January 2013. It commenced its activities on 9 June 2011. The charity is a company limited by guarantee and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association (as amended by special resolution). The company provides a support service to a cluster of schools.

Trustees are elected by members of the charity in General meeting. Trustees hold office until the Annual General Meeting when Trustees can offer themselves for re-election or re-appointment.

The Trustees delegate the daily running of the Charity to the Project Manager, Mrs Diane Martindale, who acts as Charity Co-ordinator, and her support staff. The charity is considered to be under the control of the Board of Trustees as a whole.

The chair of the Trustees is responsible for the induction of any new trustee which involves awareness of a trustee's responsibilities, the governing document, administrative procedures and the history and philosophical approach of the charity. A new trustee would receive copies of the previous year's annual report and accounts, and a copy of the Charity Commission leaflet 'The Essential Trustee: What You Need to Know'.

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

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

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

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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:

Mrs W S Cathie

Mrs A J Davies

Ms C Williams

Mrs A Burkes

Mrs E Lightfoot

Mr D Sheriff

### Plans for future periods

The trustees intend to continue to be a dynamic and highly successful partnership of schools working positively together in Leigh, Lowton and Golborne to enhance the life chances and opportunities and aspirations for all our children.

The Trustees report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

*Mrs A J Davies*

Mrs A J Davies

Trustee

Dated: 12/10/21

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

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I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Leigh, Lowton and Golborne Schools Partnership (the Charity) for the year ended 31 March 2021.

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

As the Trustees of the Charity (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the Charity 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 the Charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

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 that in any material respect:

- 1 accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
- 2 the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3 the financial statements 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 financial statements 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 financial statements to be reached.



Daniel Bowles

Incom House  
Waterside  
Trafford Park  
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M17 1WD

Dated: 12/10/21

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

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	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Unrestricted funds 2020 £
<b>Income from:</b>			
Charitable activities	3	27,523	85,346
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<b>Expenditure on:</b>			
Charitable activities	4	24,565	81,034
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<b>Net income for the year/ Net movement in funds</b>		2,958	4,312
Fund balances at 1 April 2020		56,190	51,878
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<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2021</b>		59,148	56,190
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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.

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	2021 £	£	2020 £	£
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	8	9,794		7,778	
Cash at bank and in hand		96,201		49,414	
		<u>105,995</u>		<u>57,192</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	9	(46,847)		(1,002)	
Net current assets			<u>59,148</u>		<u>56,190</u>
<b>Income funds</b>					
Unrestricted funds			<u>59,148</u>		<u>56,190</u>
			<u>59,148</u>		<u>56,190</u>

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 March 2021.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the charity keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

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 28/9/21

*AJ Davies*

Mrs A J Davies  
Trustee

Company Registration No. 07584163

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

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### 1 Accounting policies

#### Charity information

Leigh, Lowton and Golborne Schools Partnership is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Leigh St Thomas CE Primary School, Leigh, Lancashire, WN7 2AS.

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance 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)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). 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 applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 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

Income is recognised when the Charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the Charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount.

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and represents amounts receivable for goods and services provided in the normal course of business.

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

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### 1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

#### 1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.

- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.

- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

#### 1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

#### 1.7 Financial instruments

The Charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the Charity's balance sheet when the Charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

##### **Basic financial assets**

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

##### **Basic financial liabilities**

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

### 1 Accounting policies (Continued)

#### *Derecognition of financial liabilities*

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the Charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

### 2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

### 3 Charitable activities

	Income 2021 £	Income 2020 £
Services provided under contract	27,523	85,346

### 4 Charitable activities

	Expenses 2021 £	Expenses 2020 £
Room hire	-	11,240
Insurance	258	258
Legal and professional fees	1,026	1,976
Conference expenses	-	5,461
Consultants and speakers	22,335	57,804
General expenses	746	1,974
Training	200	2,321
	<u>24,565</u>	<u>81,034</u>
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### 5 Trustees

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the Charity during the year.

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

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### 6 Employees

The average monthly number of employees during the year was:

	2021 Number	2020 Number
Total	-	-

### 7 Independent Examination

During the year, the charity paid £600 for an Independent Examination and £402 for other services.

### 8 Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
<b>Amounts falling due within one year:</b>		
Trade debtors	7,000	4,984
Prepayments and accrued income	2,794	2,794
	<u>9,794</u>	<u>7,778</u>

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

	2021 £	2020 £
Accruals and deferred income	46,847	1,002

### 10 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2020 - none).

**LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP**

England & Wales - Charity number 1150466

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# Accounts

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Charity Registration No. 1150466

Company Registration No. 07584163 (England and Wales)

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020**

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

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<b>Trustees</b>	Mrs W S Cathie Mrs A J Davies Ms C Williams Mrs A Burkes  Mrs E Lightfoot  Mr D Sheriff	(Appointed 27 September 2019) (Appointed 27 September 2019) (Appointed 27 September 2019)
<b>Charity number</b>	1150466	
<b>Company number</b>	07584163	
<b>Registered office</b>	Leigh St Thomas CE Primary School Leigh Lancashire WN7 2AS	
<b>Independent examiner</b>	Daniel Bowles Incom House Waterside Trafford Park Manchester M17 1WD	

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# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

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The Charity's objects of the charity are :

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The Trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the Charity should undertake.

### **Achievements and performance**

This year the charity's expenditure exceeded incoming resources. The trustees are pleased with the results for the year.

The charity is pleased with its achievement in supporting school improvements and facilitating the professional development of staff..

### **Financial review**

The trustees have no formal policy to maintain a level of reserves however they are conscious of their responsibilities and monitor the level of reserves to ensure the charity can meet its liabilities.

During the year, the charity made a surplus of £4,312.

At the year end, due to the surplus, the reserves were £56,190 (2019 £51,878).

### **Structure, governance and management**

The company was incorporated at Companies House on 30 March 2011 and was registered as a charity with the Charity Commission on 14 January 2013. It commenced its activities on 9 June 2011. The charity is a company limited by guarantee and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association (as amended by special resolution). The company provides a support service to a cluster of schools.

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# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## TRUSTEES REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

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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 D Catchatour	(Resigned 27 September 2019)
Mrs W S Cathie	
Mrs A J Davies	
Mr J Marsh	(Resigned 27 September 2019)
Ms C Williams	
Mrs J Woods	(Resigned 27 September 2019)
Mrs A Burkes	(Appointed 27 September 2019)
Mrs E Lightfoot	(Appointed 27 September 2019)
Mr D Sheriff	(Appointed 27 September 2019)

### Plans for future periods

The trustees intend to continue to be a dynamic and highly successful partnership of schools working positively together in Leigh, Lowton and Golborne to enhance the life chances and opportunities and aspirations for all our children.

The Trustees report was approved by the Board of Trustees.

*Alex J. Davies*

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**Mrs A J Davies**

Trustee

Dated: *20/11/2020*

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

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I report to the Trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Leigh, Lowton and Golborne Schools Partnership (the Charity) for the year ended 31 March 2020.

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

As the Trustees of the Charity (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 (the 2006 Act).

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the Charity 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 the Charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act). In carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

#### **Independent examiner's statement**

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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 financial statements to be reached.



Daniel Bowles

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Dated: 24/11/2020

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

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	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	Unrestricted funds 2019 £
<b><u>Income from:</u></b>			
Charitable activities	3	85,346	77,620
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<b><u>Expenditure on:</u></b>			
Charitable activities	4	81,034	63,551
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<b>Net income for the year/ Net movement in funds</b>		4,312	14,069
Fund balances at 1 April 2019		51,878	37,809
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<b>Fund balances at 31 March 2020</b>		56,190	51,878
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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.

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2020

	Notes	2020 £	£	2019 £	£
<b>Current assets</b>					
Debtors	8	7,778		100	
Cash at bank and in hand		49,414		55,282	
		<u>57,192</u>		<u>55,382</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	9	(1,002)		(3,504)	
Net current assets			56,190		51,878
<b>Income funds</b>					
Unrestricted funds			56,190		51,878
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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 March 2020.

The Trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for ensuring that the charity keeps accounting records which comply with section 386 of the Act and for preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the financial year in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

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 20/11/2020

*Mrs A J Davies*

Mrs A J Davies  
Trustee

Company Registration No. 07584163

# LEIGH, LOWTON AND GOLBORNE SCHOOLS PARTNERSHIP

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2020

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### 1 Accounting policies

#### Charity information

Leigh, Lowton and Golborne Schools Partnership is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Leigh St Thomas CE Primary School, Leigh, Lancashire, WN7 2AS.

#### 1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance 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)" (as amended for accounting periods commencing from 1 January 2016). 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 applying FRS 102 Update Bulletin 1 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.

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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.

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Income is recognised when the Charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.

Cash donations are recognised on receipt. Other donations are recognised once the Charity has been notified of the donation, unless performance conditions require deferral of the amount.

Turnover is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and represents amounts receivable for goods and services provided in the normal course of business.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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### 1 Accounting policies

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#### 1.5 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis as a liability is incurred. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered, and is classified under headings of the statement of financial activities to which it relates:

- expenditure on raising funds includes the costs of all fundraising activities, events, non-charitable trading activities, and the sale of donated goods.

- expenditure on charitable activities includes all costs incurred by a charity in undertaking activities that further its charitable aims for the benefit of its beneficiaries, including those support costs and costs relating to the governance of the charity apportioned to charitable activities.

- other expenditure includes all expenditure that is neither related to raising funds for the charity nor part of its expenditure on charitable activities.

All costs are allocated to expenditure categories reflecting the use of the resource. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs are apportioned between the activities they contribute to on a reasonable, justifiable and consistent basis.

#### 1.6 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks, other short-term liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

#### 1.7 Financial instruments

The Charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the Charity's balance sheet when the Charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

##### **Basic financial assets**

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

##### **Basic financial liabilities**

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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### 1 Accounting policies

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#### *Derecognition of financial liabilities*

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the Charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

### 2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the Charity's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

### 3 Charitable activities

	Charitable Income Heading 1 2020 £	Charitable Income Heading 1 2019 £
Services provided under contract	85,346	77,620

### 4 Charitable activities

	Room hire 2020 £	Room hire 2019 £
Room hire	11,240	9,046
Insurance	258	258
Legal and professional fees	1,976	1,428
Conference expenses	5,461	5,699
Consultants and speakers	57,804	44,816
General expenses	1,974	824
Training	2,321	1,480
	<u>81,034</u>	<u>63,551</u>
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### 5 Trustees

None of the Trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration or benefits from the Charity during the year.

### 6 Employees

There were no employees during the year.

### 7 Independent Examination

During the year, the charity paid £600 for an Independent Examination and £402 for other services.

### 8 Debtors

	2020	2019
	£	£
<b>Amounts falling due within one year:</b>		
Trade debtors	4,984	100
Prepayments and accrued income	2,794	-
	<u>7,778</u>	<u>100</u>

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

	2020	2019
	£	£
Accruals and deferred income	1,002	3,504
	<u>1,002</u>	<u>3,504</u>

### 10 Related party transactions

There were no disclosable related party transactions during the year (2019 - none).