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MARLBOROUGH HOUSE SCHOOL TRUST LIMITED
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GOVERNORS' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

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**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE COMPANY, ITS GOVERNORS AND ADVISERS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022**

Governors

Mrs J M Webb
Mr S F Cloke
Dr R Ratnavel
Mr T N M Lawson
Mr S J Hodson, Chairman
Mrs S R Reeves
Mrs A H Petch
Mr P W Smallwood
Mr O A Reynolds
Mr H R F Somerset

Company registered number

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Charity registered number

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Registered office

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Head

Mr E Newton

Company Secretary

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GOVERNORS' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

The Governors present their annual report together with the audited financial statements for 1st September 2021 to 31st August 2022. The Governors confirm that the Annual Report and financial statements of the School comply with the current statutory requirements, the requirements of the company's governing document and the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1st January 2015).

Marlborough House School ('the School') is registered with DCSF as School Number 886/6005. It is registered as Charity Number 307793, and holds the Company Registration number 587487, with the liability of its members limited to £1 each by guarantee. During the year, the School changed its accounting reference date to 30th August 2022; as permitted by section 390(2b) of the Companies Act the accounts have been prepared up to 31st August 2022. Within the insurance policies that the School holds is an extension that indemnifies the Trustees against any acts that result in action against them. None of the Directors has any beneficial interest in the Company. The Registered Office and principal address of the Company is at Marlborough House School, High Street, Hawkhurst, Kent TN18 4PY.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Status of the company

Marlborough House School was founded in 1874 and was incorporated on 18th July 1957 under the Companies Acts 1948 as Marlborough House School Trust Limited, a Charitable Company limited by guarantee.

Governing body

The School is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association. The Directors of the School, who are also the Charity Trustees and the School Governors, who served during the year are shown below:

Mr S F Cloke
Mr S J Hodson (Chairman)
Mr T N M Lawson
Mrs A Petch
Dr R Ratnavel
Mrs S R Reeves
Mr O A Reynolds
Mr P W Smallwood
Mr H R F Somerset
Mrs J M Webb
Mrs C Marshall appointed 16th September 2022

Board of Governors

The Directors, who are also the Charity Trustees, are required under the Articles to serve as Governors of the School. They are elected at a full Governors' Meeting on the basis of nominations received from existing Governors and the Head taking independent advice as appropriate in order to ensure a suitable cross section of expertise, personal competence, specialist skills and local availability. Governors serve for an initial term of five years and are eligible to stand for re election for further five year terms.

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Governor training

New Governors are inducted into the workings of the School, and also of the Company as a Registered Charity including Board Policy and Procedures, through a program arranged by the Head and Clerk to the Governors. Training Days and Extraordinary Meetings are scheduled periodically to provide updates for the Directors and to consider strategic planning and governance issues. New Governors have the opportunity to attend the Association of Governing Bodies in Independent Schools (AGBIS) New Governors Course and all Governors have the opportunity to attend AGBIS briefings and specialist courses run by external organisations.

Organisational management

The Governors as Directors determine the general policies of the School and review its overall management and control. The day to day management of the School is delegated to the key management personnel, comprising the Head and the other members of the School's Senior Leadership Team. The Governors meet as a Board at least three times a year. The work of implementing most of the Board's policies is carried out by the Finance and Property Committee (specifically to review the budgets, annual accounts and reports), the Education and Welfare Committee and the Health and Safety Committee, each of which meets at least three times a year prior to the Main Board meetings. In addition, the Finance and Property Committee has been considering ways to develop the School's premises and facilities. Each Committee operates under specific terms of reference agreed by the Board of Governors and has its decisions ratified by the full Board. The Head attends all meetings of the full Board and all meetings of the Board Committees.

Group structure and relationships

The School is an active member of the Independent Association of Prep Schools ('IAPS') and the Boarding School Association ('BSA') for the promotion and maintenance of preparatory school standards generally and also takes part in peer group studies for the evaluation of quality and performance improvement methods. The School actively seeks to engage with local Charities, community and voluntary groups in continuing endeavors to widen public access to its facilities, to optimise the educational use of its cultural and sporting facilities and to awaken in the pupils an awareness of the wider social context of the education they receive at the School.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The principal object of the Company, in accordance with its Memorandum and Articles of Association, is the education of children at the Independent Preparatory School of Marlborough House, Hawkhurst, Kent. In the furtherance of this object, the Directors, as the Charity Trustees, have complied with the duty in section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's published general and relevant sub sector guidance concerning the operation of the Public Benefit requirement under that Act.

Principal Activity

Marlborough House School Trust's principal activity is the provision of a Preparatory School in Hawkhurst for girls and boys aged from 2 ½ to 13. In conducting its business, the School is one of the biggest local employers with many members of its staff resident within the immediate vicinity. The School uses the services of local businesses and suppliers where possible. Total pupil numbers stood at 203 with an additional 32 in Nursery giving a total school roll of 235 (2021 247) in the Summer term 2022.

Strategic Aim and Effect

The Board's overall strategic aim is to satisfy the requirements of Public Benefit by operating Marlborough House School as a charitable Independent Preparatory School. While the families of most of the School's pupils pay full fees, the Board aims to set these fees at a level which enables the School to provide bursaries to the families of a number of pupils who otherwise would not be able to attend the School.

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The Board's strategic aim for the School is for it to offer an outward looking, secure and inclusive environment for the whole School community, using high quality resources and a high standard of facilities and providing an excellent all round education for the School's pupils. To help achieve its objectives, the Board aims to ensure that the School is as close to capacity as possible, maintains a high "teacher to pupil" ratio and tailors its teaching and pastoral care services to suit pupils' individual needs.

Objectives for the Year

The Board's main objectives for the School during the year under review were:

1. to support the Head's drive and passion to instil greater confidence in the whole School community.
2. following the appointment of Mr Newton, to establish and implement his 2 year strategy, which was presented to and signed off by the Board shortly after his appointment, with their full support; this 2 year strategy covers both short and medium term financial and organisational plans and covered a period that extended beyond the end of the 2021/2022 financial year.
3. to work with the new Head, and other members of the Senior Leadership Team to continue to implement the School's long term Strategic Plan, which is complementary to the new Head's 2 year strategy;
4. to continue to educate pupils at the School to a very high standard, ensuring all pupils reach their full potential in all aspects of school life and are well prepared for their move into senior school;
5. to support and embed the Pre School Baccalaureate with Year 7 pupils;
6. to continue to provide bursaries to the families of pupils who would otherwise not be able to attend the School;
7. to continue to work collaboratively with local charities, community and voluntary organisations and educational bodies to provide access to the School's facilities;
8. to complete the renovation and start using the Art and DT Centre of Excellence as well as to commence the planning of improvement to other School facilities.

Grant making policies

During the financial year under review, the School has maintained its means tested bursary support for 5 pupils (2021: 5 pupils) at a cost of £32,708. (2021: £65,415) through its own Bursary Scheme. This support is available on a needs basis as determined by the members of the Finance and Property Committee following discussions with the Head. The School's policy on awarding bursaries is kept under regular review by the Board.

STAFF

Volunteers

The Friends of Marlborough House continue to help with the School's charitable fundraising and cultural activities, with members devoting considerable time and resources on a voluntary basis. The Board is very appreciative of their work on behalf of the School.

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Remuneration of Employees

The remuneration of the Head is set by the Board. The remuneration of other members of the Senior Leadership Team and all other staff is determined by the Head in accordance with the whole School remuneration policy and budget, which is set annually by the Board following a recommendation by the Finance and Property Committee. In setting this policy and budget, reference is made to comparisons with other schools to ensure that the School is sensitive to the broader issues of pay and employment conditions elsewhere. Staff costs are, by a long way, the largest single element of the School's regular charitable expenditure and the Board believes that successful delivery of the School's charitable vision and purpose is very significantly dependent on the skills, expertise and performance of the key management personnel and all other members of the School's staff.

REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

Achievements and Performance

The School has continued to embed the new Senior Curriculum (Pre Senior Baccalaureate) which was launched in Year 7 in 2019 with allocated staff all trained appropriately. The delivery of the new Senior Curriculum was discussed with parents in all year groups in face to face meetings, while the senior children also receive school Chrome books to assist with their independent learning.

The staff Academic Committee continues to monitor teaching and learning and look at various topics, such as ICT provision, differentiation and assessment and reporting.

This year the School made a conscious decision to support a number of local charities as well as some national ones. Donations were made as follows: Red Cross, Ukraine Appeal: £959, Children in Need: £410, Barnardo's: £53, Demelza House £60, Comic Relief: £365 and various food donations to the Local Food Bank.

The development of facilities continued, with the extension to the Art and DT Centre of Excellence being largely completed and opened for use in the Summer term 2022.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The arrival of a new, experienced Head has enabled the School to look forward with confidence and optimism. Eddy Newton's initial actions have given certainty and reassurance to the staff and parents, and the implementation of his 2 year strategy for the School is seeing positive results.

Physical developments have included improving the appearance of certain buildings and the refurbished and newly located second hand uniform shop has been well received within the School community. Painting the outside of the Old Gym has lifted the whole appearance of the building. Having secured full planning permission for the refurbishment of the staff room and complete replacement and expansion of the Art and DT buildings, works commenced in October 2021 and were largely completed in May 2022. A thorough review of site usage and a timetable for the improvement of outdoor sports' facilities is being considered. In this context, the construction of a new all-weather sports pitch was commenced and has been completed since the financial year end, which is providing a much improved facility for the pupils, especially for playing hockey

With the profound effects of the Covid 19 pandemic still a factor, the on going challenge of providing a high standard of teaching without disruptions remains a key priority, as does the installation of satisfactory safety measures for the day to day use of the School. Hybrid teaching, with teachers delivering lessons to pupils in school and simultaneously to pupils at home was established and this model can be quickly adapted if the School is required to respond again to any health related shocks or problems that might result in a closure of the School's premises.

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Alongside Marketing and Admissions, there is a planned drive to increase pupil numbers while simultaneously controlling the staff costs of the School. The 2 year strategy for the School anticipated a 10% increase in pupil numbers, with a managed reduction of costs over the period and pleasingly the total number of pupils enrolled in Summer 2023 has increased by over 5% compared to the equivalent period in 2022. The recently published Independent Schools Inspection report on the School rated it Excellent in all areas which is a very positive conclusion, the effect of which might be expected to support the School's ambitious recovery expectations going forward.

In the first quarter of 2021, following consultation, the School made the decision to leave the Teachers' Pension Scheme and transfer the eligible employees to a new defined contribution scheme. This has successfully been implemented and the new APTIS scheme is in place and fully operational.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Directors report a deficit before depreciation, amortisation and property revaluations for the year ended 31st August 2022 of £255,456 (2021 deficit : £241,302). Total income of £3,175,841 (2021 : £3,284,562), was 3.3% lower than that achieved in the previous year, while total expenditure (before depreciation and amortisation) of £3,431,297 (2021 : £3,526,388) was 3% lower than the previous year.

Capital expenditure during the year totalled £600,687 (2021: £87,685). £584,655 was spent on the Buildings Development Plan with an additional £10,872 spent on fixtures and fittings and £5,160 on IT equipment.

Funds are raised from fee income and a proportion of net fee income is used directly to support children through means tested bursaries. In this way families of children who would otherwise not be able to attend the School are given financial support; this includes some cases of hardship in the families of existing pupils.

Investment powers are set out in the Memorandum and Articles of Association. These permit the Directors to invest the monies of the Trust not immediately required for its purposes in, or upon such investments, securities or property as may be thought fit, but so that monies subject to, or representing property subject to the jurisdiction of the Charity Commissioners for England and Wales or the Secretary of State for Children, Schools and Families, shall only be invested in such securities and with such sanction, if any, as may for the time being be prescribed by law.

During the year investment income totalled £232 (2021: £642).

RESERVES POLICY

At 31st August 2022, unrestricted funds (after excluding those funds which have been designated for specific purposes) stood at £4,829,923 (31st August 2021: £5,264,001). The School aims to increase its unrestricted funds each year by budgeting for a modest post depreciation surplus to be achieved and through careful financial management. This objective was not achieved during the year under review in terms of underlying financial performance.

At 31st August 2022, free reserves (after deducting the carrying value of fixed assets which are all held for the School's use), as defined by the Charity Commission, stood at a deficit of £729,080 (31st August 2021: surplus of £121,213).

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At 31st August 2022, the School had total net cash of £167,610 (2021: £919,433). After deducting fees paid in advance, deposits and amounts received under the advance fee payment scheme, underlying net debt stood at £349,215 (2021 : £394,302). Maintaining cash balances in addition to the committed debt and overdraft bank facilities that the School has in place, provides the School with financial security, as, in the event of a sudden significant drop in fee income, which could be caused by a substantial reduction in pupil numbers, it would enable the School's current activities to be continued, while consideration was given to ways in which operating costs could be reduced or additional funds raised to ensure that the School's finances were sustainable. The School's clear objective, which will only be likely to be achieved if enrolled pupil numbers show growth, is to rebuild its cash balances and unrestrictive reserves.

During the 2021/2022 financial year, the School has not taken part in or led an active program of fundraising.

PRINCIPAL RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Board, through its Committees and with assistance from the School's Senior Leadership Team, keeps the School's activities under regular review, with particular regard to any risks which may arise. The Board discusses such risks and takes steps which aim to minimise the probability of occurrence and the extent of the impact that any of them may have on the continued success of the School.

The Board considers that the principal risks which could impact the School include the following:

- (i) a substantial reduction in pupil numbers. This could be caused, inter alia, by:
 - a decline in the affordability of school fees generally across the independent schools sector, meaning that fewer pupils attend independent preparatory schools, due, for instance, to a difficult economic environment, or changes in legislation or charity regulations; and
 - specific factors which could affect the School, such as a failure to recruit high quality staff, increased competition from nearby schools, the decision taken by a nearby Grammar School to reduce its intake age from 13 years old to 11 years old, and the unlikely event of severe reputational damage to the School being caused by actions or events involving the School's staff and/or pupils;
- (ii) catastrophic events, which could cause significant damage to the School's premises, including, for instance, flood or fire;
- (iii) personal health and safety risks, including a major accident involving the School's pupils and/or staff, either on the School's premises or when away from the School on trips organised by the School; and
- (iv) significant financial fraud.

The School maintains a Risk Management Register, which identifies the major risks to which the School is subject and describes the Control Procedures, including internal controls and other viable means, such as insurance cover, used to reduce the likelihood of each event occurring and/or to mitigate its effect. The School's Senior Leadership Team is responsible for ensuring that the risks identified are managed appropriately, with reference to the Control Procedures. The Risk Management Register is considered in detail by the Head and two Governors on at least an annual basis and then reviewed by the Board as a whole.

In addition, the Board oversees compliance with current legislation and the Regulatory Requirements of the Independent Schools Inspectorate, as well as regularly reviewing and considering the effectiveness of the School's Policies, which cover a wide range of matters which are important for the successful management of the School.

Inevitably, as a consequence of the Covid 19 pandemic, the School was required to review with the utmost care and diligence its procedures in relation to managing the risk of infection when the School fully reopened in the

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Autumn of 2020 and on an ongoing basis as the Covid 19 pandemic evolved. These procedures are kept under constant review and the School continues to pay close attention to this evolving situation and to any other health related risks. The School is confident that it can take and maintain whatever steps are needed to ensure a safe environment for pupils, staff and visitors to the School. At any time, the School will always aim to be ready to adapt its premises in order to provide the best educational experience whilst being mindful of complying with Government rules and guidance at the relevant time.

GOING CONCERN

Accounting standards require the Governors to consider the appropriateness of the going concern basis when preparing the financial statements.

The Governors have prepared cashflow forecasts for the next 12 months based on current expectations of pupil numbers and expenditure. These cashflow forecasts also include the repayment of the CBILS loan facilities as noted in note 16 of the financial statements as well as repayments associated with a loan taken out to pay for works to resurface its all-weather playing surface (the loan taken out and associated works undertaken after the end of the financial year to 31st August 2022.) In order to ensure that the School has adequate financial resources going forward, both to manage working capital swings during the year and to provide capital for investment, the School has also arranged a new £600,000 loan facility which was secured (but not drawn) after the end of the financial year to 31st August 2022.

Taking into consideration all of the above factors, the Governors have a reasonable expectation that the School has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The School therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

GOVERNORS' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

The Governors (who are also directors of Marlborough House School Trust Limited for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Governors' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

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

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

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

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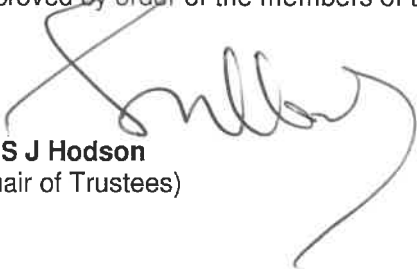
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DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION TO AUDITOR

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

- so far as that Governor is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the School's auditor is unaware, and
- that Governor has taken all the steps that ought to have been taken as a Governor in order to be aware

Approved by order of the members of the board of Governors on *21st Aug 2023* and signed on their behalf by:


Mr S J Hodson
(Chair of Trustees)

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MARLBOROUGH HOUSE SCHOOL TRUST LIMITED

Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Marlborough House School Trust Limited (the 'charitable company') for the Year ended 31st August 2022 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, the Statement of Cash Flows and the related notes, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31st August 2022 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure for the Year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

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

Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Governors' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Governors with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MARLBOROUGH HOUSE SCHOOL TRUST LIMITED (CONTINUED)

Other information

The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and our Auditor's Report thereon. The Governors are responsible for the other information contained within the Annual Report. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the course of the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether this gives rise to a material misstatement in the financial statements themselves. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

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

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

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

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

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

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

Responsibilities of trustees

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

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

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF MARLBOROUGH HOUSE SCHOOL TRUST LIMITED (CONTINUED)

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

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

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks within which the charitable company operates, focusing on those laws and regulations that have a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The laws and regulations we considered in this context were the Companies Act 2006 and SORP 2015.

We identified the greatest risk of material impact on the financial statements from irregularities, including fraud, to be the override of controls by management. Our audit procedures to respond to these risks included:

- enquiry of management about the Group's policies, procedures and related controls regarding compliance with laws and regulations and if there are any known instances of non-compliance;
- examining supporting documents for all material balances, transactions and disclosures;
- enquiry of management and review and inspection of relevant correspondence;
- evaluation of the selection and application of accounting policies related to subjective measurements and complex transactions;
- analytical procedures to identify any unusual or unexpected relationships;
- testing the appropriateness of journal entries recorded in the general ledger and other adjustments made in the preparation of the financial statements; and
- review of accounting estimates for biases.

Owing to the inherent limitations of an audit, there is an unavoidable risk that we may not have detected some material misstatements in the financial statements, even though we have properly planned and performed our audit in accordance with auditing standards. We are not responsible for preventing non-compliance and cannot be expected to detect non-compliance with all laws and regulations.

These inherent limitations are particularly significant in the case of misstatement resulting from fraud as this may involve sophisticated schemes designed to avoid detection, including deliberate failure to record transactions, collusion or the provision of intentional misrepresentations.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Auditor's Report.

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Use of our report

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



Ian Weekes (Senior Statutory Auditor)

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Date: 24 August 2023

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	Total funds 2021 £
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	4	830	-	830	66,255
Charitable activities	5	3,156,355	-	3,156,355	3,211,854
Other trading activities	6	18,424	-	18,424	5,813
Investments	7	232	-	232	642
Total income		3,175,841	-	3,175,841	3,284,564
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	8	3,609,919	-	3,609,919	3,727,589
Total expenditure		3,609,919	-	3,609,919	3,727,589
Net movement in funds before other recognised gains		(434,078)	-	(434,078)	(443,025)
Other recognised gains:					
Gains on revaluation of fixed assets		-	-	-	37,600
Net movement in funds		(434,078)	-	(434,078)	(405,425)
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		5,264,001	2,313	5,266,314	5,671,739
Net movement in funds		(434,078)	-	(434,078)	(405,425)
Total funds carried forward		4,829,923	2,313	4,832,236	5,266,314

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the Year.

The notes on pages 18 to 31 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 AUGUST 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	12	5,559,003	5,145,101
Investment property	13	-	557,000
		<u>5,559,003</u>	<u>5,702,101</u>
Current assets			
Debtors	14	93,858	84,810
Cash at bank and in hand		167,610	919,433
		<u>261,468</u>	<u>1,004,243</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	(696,568)	(757,101)
		<u>(435,100)</u>	<u>247,142</u>
Net current liabilities / assets			
		<u>5,123,903</u>	<u>5,949,243</u>
Total assets less current liabilities			
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	16	(291,667)	(682,929)
		<u>(291,667)</u>	<u>(682,929)</u>
Total net assets		<u><u>4,832,236</u></u>	<u><u>5,266,314</u></u>
Charity funds			
Restricted funds:			
Restricted funds	17	2,313	2,313
		<u>2,313</u>	<u>2,313</u>
Total restricted funds	17	2,313	2,313
Unrestricted funds	17	4,829,923	5,264,001
		<u>4,829,923</u>	<u>5,264,001</u>
Total funds		<u><u>4,832,236</u></u>	<u><u>5,266,314</u></u>

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BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)
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The Governors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

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

21st August 2023



Mr S J Hodson
(Chair of Trustees)

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

	2022 £	2021 £
Cash flows from operating activities		
Net cash used in operating activities	(310,089)	<i>(240,124)</i>
Cash flows from investing activities		
Dividends, interests and rents from investments	232	<i>642</i>
Purchase of tangible fixed assets	(600,687)	<i>(87,685)</i>
Proceeds from sale of investment properties	565,163	<i>670,000</i>
Interest paid	(15,180)	<i>(27,746)</i>
Net cash (used in)/provided by investing activities	(50,472)	<i>555,211</i>
Cash flows from financing activities		
Repayments of borrowing	(391,262)	<i>(661,255)</i>
Net cash used in financing activities	(391,262)	<i>(661,255)</i>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the Year	(751,823)	<i>(346,168)</i>
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the Year	919,433	<i>1,265,601</i>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the Year	167,610	<i>919,433</i>

The notes on pages 18 to 31 form part of these financial statements

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1. General information

Marlborough House School is a company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales (company registration number 00587487 and charity number 307793). The principal activity is that of an independent school.

Its registered address is at:-

High Street
Hawkhurst
Cranbrook
TN18 4PY

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

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

Accounting standards require the Governors to consider the appropriateness of the going concern basis when preparing the financial statements.

The Governors have prepared cashflow forecasts for the next 12 months based on current expectations of pupil numbers and expenditure. These cashflow forecasts also include the repayment of the CBILS loan facilities as noted in note 16 of the financial statements as well as repayments associated with a loan taken out to pay for works to resurface its all-weather playing surface (the loan taken out and associated works undertaken after the end of the financial year to 31st August 2022.) In order to ensure that the School has adequate financial resources going forward, both to manage working capital swings during the year and to provide capital for investment, the School has also arranged a new £600,000 loan facility which was secured (but not drawn) after the end of the financial year to 31st August 2022.

Taking into consideration all of the above factors, the Governors have a reasonable expectation that the School has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. The School therefore continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing its financial statements.

Marlborough House School Trust Limited meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.2 Income

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

School fees receivable, less any bursaries or scholarships are billed termly in advance and the income is recognised on the first day of the new term to which they relate. Where fees are received in advance of the relevant period, they are recognised as deferred income.

Income receivable for extras to the core school fees is billed in arrears on the following term's bill when the amount of income receivable can be measured reliably. Amounts are recognised in the period to which they relate and held in trade debtors until payment is received.

Donations, legacies, grants and other voluntary income are accounted for when the following criteria are satisfied; entitlement has arisen, the amount can be reliably measured and the economic benefit is considered probable.

Grants are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on a receivable basis. The balance of income received for specific purposes but not expended during the period is shown in the relevant funds on the Balance Sheet. Where income is received in advance of entitlement of receipt, its recognition is deferred and included in creditors as deferred income. Where entitlement occurs before income is received, the income is accrued.

2.3 Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to transfer economic benefit to a third party, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is classified by activity. The costs of each activity are made up of the total of direct costs and shared costs, including support costs involved in undertaking each activity. Direct costs attributable to a single activity are allocated directly to that activity. Shared costs which contribute to more than one activity and support costs which are not attributable to a single activity are apportioned between those activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources. Central staff costs are allocated on the basis of time spent, and depreciation charges allocated on the portion of the asset's use.

Charitable activities and Governance costs are costs incurred on the Charity's educational operations, including support costs and costs relating to the governance of the Charity apportioned to charitable activities.

All expenditure is inclusive of irrecoverable VAT.

2.4 Government grants

Grants are accounted under the accruals model.

Grants of a revenue nature are recognised in the statement of financial activities in the same period as the related expenditure.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.5 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Company; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

2.6 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets costing £1,000 or more are capitalised and recognised when future economic benefits are probable and the cost or value of the asset can be measured reliably.

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

Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives .

Depreciation is provided on the following bases:

Freehold property	- over 10 - 50 years
Motor vehicles	- Straight line over 5 years
Fixtures and fittings	- Reducing balance at 15%
Computer equipment	- Straight line over 3 years

2.7 Investment properties

The Trustees' policy was to revalue the company's investment properties at each reporting date.

Governors assessed the value of the land and buildings based on independent valuations carried out in 2018 and updated for current market prices.

No depreciation is provided in respect of investment properties in accordance with section 16 of FRS 102 "Investment Property".

The final investment property was sold in the current year.

2.8 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

2.9 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

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2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.10 Liabilities and provisions

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

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

Provisions are measured at the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation. Where the effect of the time value of money is material, the provision is based on the present value of those amounts, discounted at the pre-tax discount rate that reflects the risks specific to the liability. The unwinding of the discount is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities as a finance cost.

2.11 Financial instruments

The Company only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2.12 Pensions

The Company operates a defined contribution pension scheme and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the Company to the fund in respect of the Year.

2.13 Fund accounting

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

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

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

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3. Critical accounting estimates and areas of judgment

Estimates and judgments are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Critical accounting estimates and assumptions:

The Company makes estimates and assumptions concerning the future. The resulting accounting estimates and assumptions will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results. The estimates and assumptions that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities within the next financial year are discussed below.

i) Tangible fixed assets: the trustees annually assess both the residual value of these assets and the expected useful life of such assets which is currently judged to be up to 50 years, based on experience.

ii) Recoverability of trade debtors: the directors annually assess whether a bad debt provision is required for any bad or doubtful debtor balances.

4. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £
Donations	830	830

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4. Income from donations and legacies (continued)

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2021 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2021 £</i>
Donations	15,339	15,339
Government grants	50,916	50,916
	66,255	66,255

Included in government grants in 2021 is income relating to the corona virus job retention scheme as well as the income in relation to the first year interest on the CBILS loan.

The first year of interest on the CBILS loan is interest free for the School as it is paid for by the UK government. The applicable interest in the first year has been included as a government grant and corresponding interest charge in the financial statements.

5. Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £
Gross fee income	3,336,078	3,336,078
Less: bursaries, scholarships and allowances	(278,679)	(278,679)
Other charges to pupils	96,906	96,906
Registration fees	2,050	2,050
	3,156,355	3,156,355

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5. Income from charitable activities (continued)

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2021 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2021 £</i>
Gross fee income	3,473,900	3,473,900
Less: bursaries, scholarships and allowances	(368,710)	(368,710)
Other charges to pupils	103,715	103,715
Registration fees	2,949	2,949
	3,211,854	3,211,854

6. Income from other trading activities

Income from fundraising events

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £
Lettings	18,424	18,424

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2021 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2021 £</i>
Lettings	5,813	5,813

7. Investment income

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £
Bank interest	232	232

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7. Investment income (continued)

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2021 £</i>	<i>Total funds 2021 £</i>
Bank interest	642	642

8. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total 2022 £
Teaching costs	2,076,551	2,076,551
Welfare costs	434,500	434,500
Premises	577,587	577,587
Support for schooling	499,514	499,514
Bank interest and charges	21,767	21,767
	3,609,919	3,609,919

	<i>Unrestricted funds 2021 £</i>	<i>Total 2021 £</i>
Teaching costs	2,204,441	2,204,441
Welfare costs	407,859	407,859
Premises	528,583	528,583
Support for schooling	558,959	558,959
Bank interest and charges	27,747	27,747
	3,727,589	3,727,589

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9. Auditor's remuneration

	2022	2021
	£	£
Fees payable to the Company's auditor for the audit of the Company's annual accounts	14,245	12,950
Fees payable to the Company's auditor in respect of: All non-audit services not included above	3,400	2,000
	17,645	14,950

10. Staff costs

	2022	2021
	£	£
Wages and salaries	2,191,452	2,285,081
Social security costs	193,431	205,378
Contribution to defined contribution pension schemes	234,290	294,956
	2,619,173	2,785,415

The average number of persons employed by the Company during the Year was as follows:

	2022	2021
	No.	No.
Teaching	59	60
Domestic	22	22
Administration	9	11
	90	93

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

	2022	2021
	No.	No.
In the band £60,001 - £70,000	1	-
In the band £90,001 - £100,000	1	1

The total remuneration and benefits received by key management personnel during the year was £367,335 (2021: £ 373,157).

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11. Governors' remuneration and expenses

During the Year, no Governors received any remuneration or other benefits (2021 - £NIL).

During the Year ended 31st August 2022, expenses totalling £NIL were reimbursed or paid directly to Governors - £NIL).

12. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold property £	Motor vehicles £	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Total £
Cost or valuation					
At 1 September 2021	6,814,260	96,358	1,015,843	682,883	8,609,344
Additions	584,655	-	10,872	5,160	600,687
At 31st August 2022	<u>7,398,915</u>	<u>96,358</u>	<u>1,026,715</u>	<u>688,043</u>	<u>9,210,031</u>
Depreciation					
At 1 September 2021	1,893,783	93,778	813,005	663,677	3,464,243
Charge for the Year	140,405	2,364	31,199	12,817	186,785
At 31 August 2022	<u>2,034,188</u>	<u>96,142</u>	<u>844,204</u>	<u>676,494</u>	<u>3,651,028</u>
Net book value					
At 31st August 2022	<u><u>5,364,727</u></u>	<u><u>216</u></u>	<u><u>182,511</u></u>	<u><u>11,549</u></u>	<u><u>5,559,003</u></u>
At 31 August 2021	<u><u>4,920,477</u></u>	<u><u>2,580</u></u>	<u><u>202,838</u></u>	<u><u>19,206</u></u>	<u><u>5,145,101</u></u>

13. Investment property

	Freehold investment property £
At 1 September 2021	557,000
Disposals	(557,000)
At 31st August 2022	<u><u>-</u></u>

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13. Investment property (continued)

Previously, Governors assessed the value of the land and buildings based on independent valuations carried out in 2018 and updated for current market prices.

During the year, the final investment property was sold.

14. Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Due within one year		
Trade debtors	60,204	55,262
Prepayments and accrued income	33,654	29,548
	93,858	84,810

15. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Bank loans	100,000	100,000
Trade creditors	46,294	36,707
Other taxation and social security	-	50,046
Fees in advance and deposits	453,544	413,909
Other creditors	11,207	40,661
Accruals and deferred income	22,243	16,198
Advance payment scheme	63,280	99,580
	696,568	757,101

A CBILS bank loan of £500,000 was taken out in 2020.

Interest is being charged on the loan at 2.34% p.a over base rate.

The CBILS loan is repayable in installments over 6 years.

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16. Creditors: Amounts falling due after more than one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Bank loans	<u>291,667</u>	<u>682,929</u>

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17. Statement of funds	Balance at 1 September 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31st August 2022 £
Statement of funds - current Year				
Unrestricted funds				
General Funds - all funds	5,264,001	3,175,841	(3,609,919)	4,829,923
Restricted funds				
Restricted Funds	2,313	-	-	2,313
Total of funds	5,266,314	3,175,841	(3,609,919)	4,832,236

Restricted funds consist of:
A music fund to be used in awarding prizes to pupils and in purchasing new musical instruments for the school's music department. At the balance sheet date, the balance on the fund was £2,313 (2021: £2,313).

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17. Statement of funds (continued)

Statement of funds - prior Year

	<i>Balance at 1 September 2020 £</i>	<i>Income £</i>	<i>Expenditure £</i>	<i>Gains/ (Losses) £</i>	<i>Balance at 31st August 2021 £</i>
Unrestricted funds					
Unrestricted funds	5,669,426	3,284,562	(3,727,587)	37,600	5,264,001
Restricted funds					
Restricted Funds	2,313	-	-	-	2,313
Total of funds	<u>5,671,739</u>	<u>3,284,562</u>	<u>(3,727,587)</u>	<u>37,600</u>	<u>5,266,314</u>

18. Pension commitments

The School previously participated in the Teachers' Pension Scheme ("the TPS") for its teaching staff but exited the scheme on 1 May 2021. The pension charge for the year includes contributions payable to the TPS of £nil (2021: £195,550) and at the year-end £nil (2021 - £nil) was accrued in respect of contributions to this scheme.

The charity also makes contributions to defined contribution pension schemes whose assets are held in an independently administered fund. During the year, contributions of £234,290 (2021 -£99,407) were made to the pension scheme with contributions of £1,599 (2021 -£900) outstanding at the balance sheet date.

19. Operating lease commitments

At 31st August 2022 the Company had commitments to make future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	2022 £	2021 £
Not later than 1 year	-	17,064

