

Downe House Trust

Annual report and financial statements

for the year ended 31 August 2023

Registered Charity Number: 309091

Downe House Trust

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Trustee and advisors

Trustee

Downe House School was the sole Trustee (a company limited by guarantee) through the year and at the date the financial statements were approved.

The Trustees, Governors and Directors of Downe House School on 4 December 2023 are:

Mr T Boucher	BA, FCA
Ms EJ Clarke	MInstF(Cert)
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Secretary of Downe House School

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Report of the Trustee for the year ended 31 August 2023

The Trustee presents the annual report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2023.

The information with respect to the Trustee and advisors set out on page 1 forms part of this report. The financial statements comply with the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities (FRS 102)" (revised 2015).

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Status and Administration

The Trust was established as Downe House School by Trust Deed on 1 January 1944. On 2 August 1993, the Charity Commission approved a scheme whereby the operating activities of the School were transferred to Downe House School, a charitable company limited by guarantee, and the property used by the School was retained by the Trust, which changed its name to the Cold Ash Trust on that date. During the year ended 31 August 2001 the Trustee resolved to change the name of the Trust to Downe House Trust. The change of name was effected by the Charity Commission on 15 October 2001.

Induction and training of Trustees

All new Trustees of Downe House School undertake an induction process the detailed content of which depends on the individual's knowledge of the School and professional experience. Trustees are encouraged to attend seminars arranged by AGBIS (Association of Governing Bodies of Independent Schools) and other such bodies.

The Trustees, Organisational Structure and decision making

The sole Trustee is Downe House School, a company limited by guarantee. The strategic direction of the Trust is set by the Trustees of Downe House School ("the Governing Body") who approve the plans and budgets presented by the Headmistress and management team. The day to day running of the Trust is delegated to the Headmistress and management team of Downe House School.

The Trustees of Downe House School have a number of committees of which the most significant to the Downe House Trust are:

Finance and General Purposes Committee

The members of this Committee meet at least four times a year to submit reports and recommendations to the Board of Trustees on the following matters:

- i. To formulate business plans and annual budgets, in accordance with the School's aims and objectives, for consideration by the Board of Trustees and to monitor their execution once approved.
- ii. To recommend an annual programme of capital expenditure to the Board of Trustees.
- iii. To recommend the level of fees for the forthcoming year to the Board of Trustees.
- iv. To determine appropriate financial controls and procedures.
- v. To propose policy objectives to the Board of Trustees on:
 - a. Charging and fee remissions
 - b. Salaries
 - c. Bursaries
 - d. Contracts
 - e. Investments

Report of the Trustee for the year ended 31 August 2023 (cont'd)

Estates Sub-Committee

The members of this Sub-Committee meet at least four times a year to submit reports and recommendations to the Board of Trustees and/or the Finance and General Purposes Committee on the following matters:

- i. The overall development of the School's buildings and properties.
- ii. The planning, design and management of current and future construction projects.
- iii. The annual maintenance and improvement programme for the School's buildings, including Health and Safety issues.
- iv. Any other buildings or property related matters referred to the Sub-Committee by the Board of Governors or the Finance and General Purposes Committee.

Related parties and connected organisations

The Trust's relationship with Downe House School and Downe House Foundation is disclosed above.

Risk Assessment

In the light of the Corporate Governance guidance contained within the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities (FRS 102)" (revised 2015) the Trustee has examined the major risks faced by the Trust. A system of controls has been put in place to monitor and mitigate, where possible, the major risks identified and their impact on the Trust. Risks are identified and assessed and controls are established throughout the year. A formal review of the Trust's risk management process is undertaken on a termly basis.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Object

The object of the Downe House Trust is the provision and conduct at or near Cold Ash, near Newbury, of a day or day and boarding school for girls.

Aims, objectives and strategy for the year

The Trust provides, and intends to continue to provide, the 110 acre site and properties used by Downe House School.

The other objective of the Trust for the year was to continue the Downe House Trust 21st Century Appeal.

The Trust seeks to demonstrate the full Public Benefit that it provides, having regard to the general guidance on Public Benefit from the Charity Commission and where possible enhance that benefit. Further details are disclosed in the Annual report and financial statements of Downe House School.

Report of the Trustee for the year ended 31 August 2023 (cont'd)

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

Review

The Trust continues to provide the properties used by Downe House School.

The Downe House Trust 21st Century Appeal was launched in October 2001. The aim of the Appeal was to raise money for a number of capital projects. Following completion of the construction of the Sports Pavilion in April 2003, construction of the Performing Arts Centre was completed in August 2004. Construction of an all-weather pitch was commenced in June 2008 and was completed in November 2008. For details of the income received by the Appeal fund during the year and the year end fund balances see note 8. During the year the Appeal fund received donations of £220 (2022: £Nil), in line with expectations. Major fundraising is now undertaken by the Downe House Foundation, charity number 1159259.

The buildings strategy of the Trust is monitored by the Estates Sub-Committee of Downe House School and the Finance and General Purposes Committee of Downe House School.

The Trustees of Downe House School consider a wide range of factors that may affect the achievement of the Trust's objectives as part of their risk assessment procedures described on page 3. Some of these factors such as economic conditions, the Charities Act 2011 and other legislation are outside the control of the Trust.

Investment Performance

Investment performance is reviewed regularly and investments have performed adequately in the year. The Trustee has revalued the investment assets at the year end to market value, increasing net assets by £Nil (2022: £Nil).

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Investment Powers and Policy

The Trust has the powers to invest in its own name and to delegate these powers to professional investment managers. Investments are held to create income and capital growth pending utilisation on specific objects or to match liabilities as appropriate.

Reserves policy

The Trust's tangible assets are all held for use by the School. Investments are held to create income and capital growth pending utilisation on specific objects or to match liabilities as appropriate. As described in note 8 the Trust's unrestricted reserves are fully represented by tangible fixed assets and associated liabilities. There are no free funds beyond the extent of these assets and commitments.

The Trustee considers that the existing level of reserves is appropriate for the needs of the Trust. This policy is reviewed at least annually.

Financial results

Full results are shown in the financial statements and notes thereto on pages 8 to 16. The net outgoing resources for the year were £2,163,000 (2022: outgoing resources £899,000).

Going Concern

Downe House School, the Trustee, has a clear understanding of the strategy and business plan of the Trust, including the Trust's projected funding requirements for at least the next 12 months. Downe House School will not seek the repayment of amounts advanced to the Trust by the School unless adequate alternative financing has been secured by the Trust.

Report of the Trustee for the year ended 31 August 2023 (cont'd)

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

The Trust intends to provide the site and properties used by Downe House School.

Trustee's Responsibilities Statement

The Trustee is responsible for preparing the Trustee's Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustee to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the Trustee has prepared the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under that law the Trustee must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustee is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgments and 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; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The Trustee is responsible for keeping accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable it to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provision of the trust deed. The Trustee is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Statement on disclosure of information to the auditors

So far as the Trustee is aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the charity's auditors are unaware.

The Trustee has taken all the steps (such as making enquiries of the auditors and any other steps required by the Trustee's duty to exercise due care, skill and diligence) that it ought to have taken in its duty as a Trustee in order to make it aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the charity's auditors are aware of that information.

Independent Auditors

The auditors, PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, have indicated their willingness to continue in office and a resolution concerning their appointment will be proposed at the Annual General Meeting.

Signed on behalf of the Trustee, Downe House School



T Boucher
Trustee

4 December 2023

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Independent auditors' report to the trustee of Downe House Trust

Report on the audit of the financial statements

Opinion

In our opinion, *Downe House Trust's* financial statements (the financial statements”):

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at *31 August 2023* and of its incoming resources and application of resources, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards, comprising FRS 102 “The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland”, and applicable law); and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 and Regulation 8 of The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008).

We have audited the financial statements, included within the Annual Report and financial statements (the “Annual Report”), which comprise: the balance sheet as at *31 August 2023*; the statement of financial activities for the year then ended, and the notes to the financial statements, which include a description of the significant accounting policies.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (“ISAs (UK)”) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under ISAs (UK) are further described in the Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Independence

We remained independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, which includes the FRC's Ethical Standard and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

Conclusions relating to going concern

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 charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from the date on which the financial statements are authorised for issue.

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

However, because not all future events or conditions can be predicted, this conclusion is not a guarantee as to the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

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

Reporting on other information

The other information comprises all of the information in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon. The trustee is responsible for the other information. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or any form of assurance thereon.

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

Based on our work undertaken in the course of the audit, the Charities Act 2011 requires us also to report certain opinions and matters as described below.

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Report of the Trustee

Under the Charities Act 2011 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion the information given in the Report of the Trustee is inconsistent in any material respect with the financial statements. We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.

Responsibilities for the financial statements and the audit

Responsibilities of the Trustee for the financial statements

As explained more fully in the Trustee's Responsibilities Statement, the trustee is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the applicable framework and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. The trustee is also responsible for such internal control as they 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 trustee is responsible for assessing the charity'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 trustee either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditors' responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We are eligible to act and have been appointed as auditors under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

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

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

Based on our understanding of the charity/industry, we identified that the principal risks of non-compliance with laws and regulations related to employer related legislation, health and safety law and standards imposed by the Independent Schools Inspectorate, and we considered the extent to which non-compliance might have a material effect on the financial statements. We also considered those laws and regulations that have a direct impact on the financial statements such as the Charities Act 2011 and relevant regulations made or having an effect thereunder, including The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. We evaluated the incentives and opportunities for fraudulent manipulation of the financial statements (including the risk of override of controls) by the trustee and those responsible for, or involved in, the preparation of the financial statements, and determined that the principal risks were related to fraudulent transactions designed to overstate the financial performance and position of the charity. Audit procedures performed included:

- Reviewing Board minutes and holding discussions with management, including consideration of known or suspected instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations and fraud;
- Using computer based audit techniques to identify and test higher risk manual journals, in particular those having unusual account combinations;
- Understanding the design and implementation of controls in relation to management override of control;
- Challenging key judgements and estimates; and
- Incorporating unpredictability into the nature, timing and/or extent of our testing.

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above. We are less likely to become aware of instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations that are not closely related to events and transactions reflected in the financial statements. Also, the risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery or intentional misrepresentations, or through collusion.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the FRC's website at: www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditors' report.

Use of this report

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the charity's trustee as a body in accordance with section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act (Part 4 of The Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008) and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these

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opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

Other required reporting

Charities Act 2011 exception reporting

Under the Charities Act 2011 we are required to report to you if, in our opinion:

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

We have no exceptions to report arising from this responsibility.



Mark Billingham (Senior Statutory Auditor)
for and on behalf of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors
Birmingham
4 December 2023

**Statement of financial activities
for the year ended 31 August 2023**

	Note	Unrestricted funds £'000	Restricted funds £'000	Total 2023 £'000	Total 2022 £'000
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming resources:					
Donations and Legacies		-	-	-	-
Income from charitable activities					
Property Rental		646	-	646	646
Total Income and Endowments		646	-	646	646
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Expenditure on Charitable activities:					
Premises		(955)	(52)	(1,007)	(968)
Financing costs	2	(1,780)	-	(1,780)	(574)
Other costs		(18)	-	(18)	-
Governance costs	3	(4)	-	(4)	(3)
Total expenditure		(2,757)	(52)	(2,809)	(1,545)
NET EXPENDITURE		(2,111)	(52)	(2,163)	(899)
Total funds brought forward		1,290	581	1,871	2,770
Total funds carried forward	8	(821)	529	(292)	1,871

All amounts derive from continuing activities.

All gains and losses recognised in the year are included in the statement of financial activities.

There is no difference between the net incoming resources stated above and its historical cost equivalent.

Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2023

	Note	2023 £'000	2022 £'000
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	4	27,091	27,439
		27,091	27,439
Current Assets			
Debtors		12,379	11,733
Investments	5	10	10
Cash at bank and in hand		2	2
		12,391	11,745
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	6	(37,908)	(35,447)
Net current liabilities		(25,517)	(23,702)
Total assets less current liabilities		1,574	3,737
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year	7	(1,866)	(1,866)
Net (liabilities)/assets		(292)	1,871
Represented by:			
Restricted funds	8	529	581
Unrestricted funds	8	(821)	1,290
		(292)	1,871

The financial statements on pages 9 to 17 were approved by the Trustee on 4 December 2023 and signed on behalf of the Trustee, Downe House School, by:



T Boucher
Trustee

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2023

1 Principal accounting policies

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards in the United Kingdom including Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011. In preparing the financial statements the Trust has followed best practice as set out in the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities (FRS 102)" (revised 2015). A summary of the more important accounting policies of the Trust, which have been applied consistently, is set out below.

Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern and accruals basis under the historical cost convention modified by the revaluation of investments. The functional and presentational currency is £ Sterling. The Trustee considers it appropriate to adopt the going concern basis and has not identified any material uncertainties in the period of at least 12 months from the date of approval of the financial statements. After making enquiries the Trustee has a reasonable expectation that the Trust has adequate resources to continue in operation for the foreseeable future. The exemption under s1.12 of FRS 102 has been taken not to disclose full details of the Company's financial instruments as these details are included within the consolidated financial statements of Downe House School.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds comprise accumulated surpluses and deficits on general funds. They are available for use at the discretion of the Trustee in furtherance of the general charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are funds subject to specific conditions imposed by the donors.

Property rental

The Trust owns property used by Downe House School for which it received rental payments of £646,000 (2022: £646,000) for the year. Income is recognised on a receivable basis.

Voluntary income

All voluntary income comprises donations which are shown in the statement of financial activities under incoming resources and are accounted for on a receivable basis.

Gains on disposal of fixed assets

On disposal of tangible fixed assets, the profit or loss on disposal is accounted for as the difference between the net sale proceeds and the net carrying amount of the tangible fixed asset. The profit or loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities for the year in which the disposal occurs.

Expenditure

All expenditure is included on an accruals basis and is recognised when there is a legal or constructive obligation to pay for expenditure.

Overhead and other costs not directly attributable to particular functional categories are apportioned over the relevant categories on the basis of management estimates of the amount attributable to that activity in the year, by reference to the level of costs in the functional categories.

Governance costs comprise the costs of running the Trust, including external audit, any legal advice for the Trustee and all the costs of complying with constitutional and statutory requirements such as the costs of Board and Committee meetings.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2023 (continued)**1 Principal accounting policies (continued)****Tangible fixed assets and depreciation**

Freehold land and buildings held on trust are included at cost incurred prior to completion. Land is not depreciated. Buildings are depreciated at rates calculated to write off the cost less their estimated residual values on a straight line basis over the expected useful economic life of each building. The range of annual rates used for this purpose is between 10 and 50 years. Assets with a cost below £1,000 are not capitalised.

Other tangible fixed assets are stated at cost, less accumulated depreciation, at rates calculated to write off the cost less residual value, of each asset over its expected useful life, as follows:

Equipment and furnishings	12.5%	- straight line
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Recognition of liabilities

Liabilities are recognised when an obligation arises to transfer economic benefits as a result of past transactions or events.

Investments and investment income

Investments are stated at market value. Any gain or loss on revaluation is included in the statement of financial activities. Investment income is accounted for in the period in which the Trust is entitled to receipt.

Cash Flow Statement

The Trust does not prepare a cash flow statement as its cash flows are included in the cash flow statement of Downe House School.

Concessionary Loans

Public benefit entity concessionary loans are loans made or received between public benefit entities at below the prevailing market rate of interest and are for the purposes of furthering the objectives of the public benefit entity. The loans are measured at the amount received or paid and are recognised in the Statement of Financial Position.

Critical accounting judgements and estimation uncertainty

Estimates and judgements are continually evaluated and are based on historical experience and other relevant factors including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable in the circumstances. The Trustee does not believe that critical judgements have been made that effect the financial statements but the following significant estimates have been made.

Depreciation rates have been set following consideration of the expected useful lives of each asset classification and annual review.

Accruals and Prepayments are primarily a reflection of timing differences. Where estimates are required these are based on historical evidence.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

2 Financing costs

	2023 £'000	2022 £'000
Interest payable on loans and advances from parent undertaking	1,780	574

3 Governance costs

	2023 £'000	2022 £'000
Auditors' remuneration for audit services (excluding VAT)	4	3

There were no employees (2022: Nil).

4 Tangible assets

	Freehold land & buildings £'000	Equipment & furnishings £'000	Total £'000
Cost			
1 September 2022	38,924	114	39,038
Additions	658	-	658
Disposals	-	-	-
31 August 2023	39,582	114	39,696
Accumulated depreciation			
1 September 2022	11,485	114	11,599
Charge for the year	1,006	-	1,006
Disposals	-	-	-
31 August 2023	12,491	114	12,605
Net book value			
31 August 2023	27,091	-	27,091
31 August 2022	27,439	-	27,439

Included in freehold land and buildings is land at a cost of £92,473 (2022: £92,473) which is not depreciated.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2023 (continued)**5 Investments**

	Restricted Fund £'000	Total £'000
Market value		
1 September 2022	10	10
Additions at cost	-	-
Disposals at cost	-	-
31 August 2023	10	10
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Cash and short-term deposits	10	10
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Historical cost		
31 August 2023	10	10
31 August 2022	10	10

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

6 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £'000	2022 £'000
Advance from parent undertaking	37,905	35,013
Other creditors and accruals	3	434
	37,908	35,447

Interest is payable to the Trust's parent undertaking, on the amount due within one year at the rate of 1% over bank base rate. Advances from the parent undertaking are unsecured and repayable on demand and are treated as concessionary loans.

7 Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year

	2023 £'000	2022 £'000
Amounts owed to parent undertaking	1,866	1,866

Interest is payable to the Trust's parent undertaking, on loan advances due after more than one year in excess of £866,000 at the rate of 1% over bank base rate. No interest is paid on the remaining loan advances due after more than one year of £866,000. Advances from the parent undertaking are unsecured and are treated as concessionary loans.

8 Funds

	Restricted funds £'000	Unrestricted funds £'000	2023 Total funds £'000	2022 Total funds £'000
1 September 2022	581	1,290	1,871	2,770
Incoming resources	-	646	646	646
Resources expended	(52)	(2,757)	(2,809)	(1,545)
31 August 2023	529	(821)	(292)	1,871
Represented by:				
Tangible fixed assets	519	26,572	27,091	27,439
Investments	10	-	10	10
Net current liabilities	-	(25,527)	(25,527)	(23,712)
Long-term liabilities	-	(1,866)	(1,866)	(1,866)
31 August	529	(821)	(292)	1,871

The restricted fund is the Downe House Trust 21st Century Appeal which was launched in October 2001; it represents donations made to the Trust to fund the construction of new facilities and the net book value of those facilities.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

9 Contingent liabilities

The Trust has guaranteed the bank borrowings of its parent undertaking, sole Trustee and controlling party, Downe House School, up to a maximum of £2,500,000 (2022 £2,500,000) and has given a legal charge over each of the freehold properties of the Trust. At 31 August 2023 the amount of the bank borrowing subject to the guarantee was £2,000,000 (2022: £1,500,000).

10 Taxation

The Trust is a registered charity and as such tax exemption applies to the income arising from and expended on charitable activities and to its investment income and gains. Investment income is stated inclusive of tax credits.

The Trust registered for VAT with effect from 28 January 2003 and, where applicable, expenditure is recorded net of recoverable VAT.

11 Trustee

The Trustee receives no remuneration for its services or reimbursement of expenses. No other key management personnel are employed by the Trust.

12 Related party transactions

The Trust has taken advantage of the exemption available for wholly owned subsidiaries in FRS 102 s1.12 and not disclosed transactions with its parent undertaking.

13 Ultimate parent undertaking and controlling party

Downe House School, a company limited by guarantee and registered in England and Wales, is the sole corporate Trustee and controlling party of the Downe House Trust. The Trust is managed by the Trustees of the School. Group consolidated financial statements are drawn up by the School. Copies of the School's financial statements can be obtained from the Company Secretary, The Bursary, Downe House School, Cold Ash, Thatcham, Berkshire, RG18 9JJ.

Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2023 (continued)

14 Comparative Statement of financial activities for the year ended 31 August 2022

	Note	Unrestricted funds £'000	Restricted funds £'000	Total 2022 £'000	Total 2021 £'000
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming resources:					
Donations and Legacies		-	-	-	1
Income from charitable activities					
Property Rental		646	-	646	646
Total Income and Endowments		646	-	646	647
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Expenditure on Charitable activities:					
Premises		(916)	(52)	(968)	(929)
Financing costs	2	(574)	-	(574)	(370)
Governance costs	3	(3)	-	(3)	(3)
Total expenditure		(1,493)	(52)	(1,545)	(1,302)
NET EXPENDITURE		(847)	(52)	(899)	(655)
Total funds brought forward		2,137	633	2,770	3,425
Total funds carried forward	8	1,290	581	1,871	2,770