

RIPON GRAMMAR SCHOOL GENERAL FUND Charity No: 512105

Report of the Trustees
For Year Ended 31st March 2023

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2023. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Principal address

Clotherholme Road
Ripon
North Yorkshire
HG4 2DG

Trustees

Mr J Webb
K Auger
Mrs H Keelan-Edwards

Bankers

Lloyds TSB, 8-11 Cambridge Crescent, Harrogate, North Yorkshire HG1 1PQ
The Charities Official Investment Fund, Senator House, 85 Queen Victoria Street, London EC4V 4ET

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Organisational structure

The Headmaster, and the two Deputy Headteachers are the trustees of the Fund and have the responsibility for the approval of all disbursements. Mrs A Balsdon, the School Bursar, acts as Clerk to the Trustees.

Risk management

Issue of financial management and associated risks such as entitlement to expenditure, investment strategy and value for money have been considered by the trustees. We believe that appropriate checks and balances are in place in the form of systems which include regular auditing, external audit and monitoring, restricted entitlement to expenditure, and reporting to the governors' Finance Committee.

We have satisfied ourselves that no Health and Safety risks apply in any of our direct undertakings; we are also satisfied that the school's own policies of risk assessment and Health and Safety are applied appropriately to activities supported by the Fund.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and aims

The object of the Fund is to advance the education of the pupils in the school by providing or assisting the provision of educational, recreational and other charitable facilities in augmentation of such facilities financed by the Local Authority. The activities of Ripon Grammar School General Fund are carried out for the public benefit.

The public benefit requirement was discussed by the Trustees in relation to Ripon Grammar School General Fund. In looking at the overall aim and the objectives of the Charity, the Trustees had regard to the Charity Commission's public benefit guidance.

Review of activities

Sports fixtures and trips continue to be a valued enhancement to the curriculum, however the increase in transport costs have put an extra strain on the School Fund. In addition to the transport costs, the School Fund has 'topped up' shortfalls on trips as more parents have been unable to meet the full cost due to financial difficulties. The combination of these two factors have resulted in a reduction of nearly £10k in unrestricted funds year on year.

As contributions to the Activities Fund continued to decline, the Board of Governors and the Headmaster have launched an ambitious fundraising campaign starting in the summer term 2023 to raise awareness of the Fund and to increase financial support.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Contributions to the Fund

Parental contributions to the Activity Fund, including Gift Aid were £14, 904 in 2022/23; these donations will help to maintain support for future school trips and sporting fixtures. Additionally, the fund received £365 in photo commission, and £226 bank interest. The Old Rips continue to fund the cost of the school mini bus.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Reserves policy

The reserves include an Endowment Fund. Due to continued low rates, any interest earned on the account has not been transferred as a contribution towards prizes for Prizegiving.

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice.

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales, the Charities Act 1993, Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are responsible and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 1993, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

J M Webb – Chair and Trustee

Date:

12/7/23

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12/7/23

J.M. Webb
12/7/23

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Receipts & Payments for the year ended 31 March 2023

Unrestricted Funds

	2022/23	2021/22
<u>Receipts</u>	£	£
Day trips	42,356.23	24,498.00
Residential trips	259,365.30	39,275.00
D of E	21,382.17	27,713.00
Books and Awards	2,696.60	4,773.26
Goods purchased	5,530.00	270.00
Mini Bus	3,209.27	8,635.99
Bank interest	226.11	6.38
Sundry income	11.50	105.00
Misc accounts	0.00	0.00
Common room association	200.00	85.00
Music	1,850.19	1,195.70
Photo commission	365.73	399.42
Productions	3,667.51	5,853.74
School fund donations	14,904.78	15,313.14
Sports	0.00	398.10
Sports transport	0.00	0.00
Vending income	574.46	175.74
Total Receipts	356,339.85	128,697.47

Payments

Day trips	(38,789.55)	(24,564.74)
Residential trips	(229,994.64)	(8,503.82)
D of E	(32,263.15)	(29,589.87)
Books and Awards	(3,658.35)	(3,997.26)
Goods purchased	(6,137.87)	(4,242.46)
Mini Bus	(5,833.27)	(5,003.99)
Misc accounts	0.00	(930.00)
Common room association	(220.98)	(222.55)
Retirements	(173.24)	0.00
Music	(866.58)	(74.58)
Productions	(7,951.13)	(2,130.42)
Sports	(817.50)	(1,377.00)
Sports transport	(20,386.32)	(16,420.98)
Total Payments	(347,092.58)	(97,057.67)

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Restricted Funds

<u>Receipts</u>	2022/23	2021/22
	£	£
Charity Week	10,072.17	8,860.39
Other charity	2,904.25	1,362.30
Donations & Legacies	0.00	500.00
DT	42.00	200.00
Competition Prize	200.00	0.00
Ripon Girls Club	0.00	0.00
Fundraising projects	7,201.22	1,000.00
Leavers Hoodies	3,300.00	2,700.00
School Council	273.00	0.00
6th Form	8,159.00	10,692.00
Total Receipts	<u><u>32,151.64</u></u>	<u><u>25,314.69</u></u>

Payments

Charity Week	(627.56)	(15,379.91)
Other charity	(2,501.64)	(1,129.65)
DT	(42.64)	(20.00)
Competition Prize	(628.57)	(480.00)
Ripon Girls Club	0.00	0.00
Fundraising projects	(2,011.32)	(6,868.52)
Leavers Hoodies	(289.63)	(2,899.54)
School Council	(66.36)	0.00
6th Form	(4,924.46)	(10,454.82)
Total Payments	<u><u>(11,092.18)</u></u>	<u><u>(37,232.44)</u></u>

Excess of Income over Expenditure	30,306.73	19,722.05
Balance b/forward at 01/04/22	100,071.33	80,349.28
Balance c/forward at 31/03/23	<u><u>130,378.06</u></u>	<u><u>100,071.33</u></u>

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Represented by:

Bank Balance at 31/03/2023		
Current account	6,912.12	16,935.63
LESS: Unpresented Cheques	(6,991.15)	0.00
PLUS: unbanked income	760.96	200.65
Deposit Account	113,759.96	62,524.90
LESS: Unpresented Cheques	(158.67)	(6,733.37)
PLUS: unbanked income	10,373.50	21,475.00
Prize fund	5,466.26	5,413.44
Petty cash	255.69	255.69
	<u>130,378.67</u>	<u>100,071.94</u>
	-0.61	-0.61
Restricted Funds (including future trips)	106,988.18	67,187.69
Unrestricted Funds	17,924.23	27,470.81
Endowment	5,466.26	5,413.44
	<u>130,378.67</u>	<u>100,071.94</u>

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

Report to the trustees/members of	RIPON GRAMMAR SCHOOL
On accounts for the year ended	31/03/2023

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner	As the funds trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners, whether particular matters have come to my attention.
Basis of independent examiner's report	My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.
Independent examiner's statement	<p>In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed overleaf *):</p> <p>(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the Act; and • to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Act. have not been met; or <p>(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.</p> <p>* Please delete the words in brackets if they do not apply.</p>

Signed/Name	Jill R Stockdale JILL R. STOCKDALE
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