St Peter's Independent School Trust Unaudited Financial Statements 31 August 2020

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Financial Statements

Year ended 31 August 2020

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Trustees' Annual Report

Year ended 31 August 2020

The trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2020.

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name St Peter's Independent School Trust

Charity registration number 281736

Principal office Lingswood Park

Blackthorn Northampton NN3 4TA

The trustees

Mr M D A Dawe Mr D B Forrester Mr D Reynolds

Independent examiner N K Sawford FCCA Sawford Bullard

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Structure, governance and management

Governing document

The charity was founded under a trust deed dated 18 December 1980 which governs its objects and powers.

Recruitment and appointment of trustees

Trustees are appointed by the Committee of Management. A member of the Committee of Management cannot also be a trustee.

Trustee induction and training

Most trustees are already familiar with the work of the organisation. New trustees are required to attend an induction meeting to familiarise themselves with the work of the charity. This meeting is jointly led by the Chair of the trustees and the Head teacher and in addition to the work of the charity also covers other areas such as trustee obligations, constitution, organisational structure, financial review and future plans and objectives.

Risk management

The trustees have put systems in place to identify and manage any significant business and operational risks that are faced by the Charity. Regular reports are part of the systems and procedures established to ensure appropriate action is taken.

Trustees' Annual Report (continued)

Year ended 31 August 2020

Structure, governance and management (continued)

Organisational structure

The day-to-day management of the Charity is entrusted to the school management team of Head teacher and Bursar. These identified post holders report to the Committee of Management comprising of independent governors working alongside elected parent and staff representatives. Post holders report to the Committee of Management on no less than a half-termly basis. The trustees of the Charity attend Committee of Management meetings in an observer's role. Separate trustees meetings are held on a regular basis and no less than every two months.

Objectives and activities

The charity was founded to acquire the assets of St Peter's Independent School and to operate it on a non-profit making basis providing education of the highest standards.

As disclosed in the previous financial year, the impact of Covid-19 left the trustees with no other option than to market the School with the hope of selling it as a going concern. Sadly this was not possible and the trustees were therefore left with no choice but to close the School at the end of the Summer Term 2020.

Before closure the School celebrated forty years of providing non-selective co-educational education to a diverse community which was both multi-ethnic and multi-racial. Founded with a Christian ethos the school valued both Christian principles and the benefits of a family orientated education. The nature of the school ensured that each individual pupil was supported to fulfill their own potential in a broad range of educational experiences; academic, practical and social. Fee structures were held at a a level to enable as many families as possible to access an independent style of education.

Achievements and performance

Despite the challenges of the pandemic the staff, pupils and their families adapted well to the provision of distance learning which enabled a high standard of education to be provided for the full academic year.

Financial review

The Statement of Financial Activates reports net income for the period of £679,309 after inclusion of a £752,345 surplus arising on the revaluation of property. If the revaluation is excluded the reported deficit is £73,036 compared the a surplus for the previous year of £38,765. The deficit for the period includes redundancy costs of £54,223.

Reserves policy

At the 31 August 2020 the Charity had limited liquidity and currently relies on the support of the trustees and Bankers to support day-to-day expenditure. Once funds have been realised from the sale of property the trustees will determine the how the Charity's reserves should be applied.

Plans for future periods

Following the closure of the School appropriate terms were agreed with a prospective party to acquire the freehold property held by the Charity. The trustees are particularly pleased to report that upon completion the premises will continue as an educational campus

The proceeds from sale will be sufficient to settle all outstanding liabilities and provide a substantial surplus. The trustees will be seeking professional advice to determine the appropriate use of funds in keeping with the trust deed.

Trustees' Annual Report (continued)

Year ended 31 August 2020

The trustees' annual report was approved on 22 June 2021 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:

Mr D B Forrester Trustee

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of St Peter's Independent School Trust

Year ended 31 August 2020

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of St Peter's Independent School Trust ('the charity') for the year ended 31 August 2020.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the charity's financial statements carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

- 1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- 2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- 3. the financial statements do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

N K Sawford FCCA Sawford Bullard Independent Examiner

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Statement of Financial Activities

Year ended 31 August 2020

2020		2019	
Note	funds	Total funds	Total funds £
4	-	-	1,050
	•	•	652,401
6	752,345	752,345	
	1,202,667	1,202,667	653,451
7,8	523,358	523,358	614,686
	523,358	523,358	614,686
	679,309	679,309	38,765
	237,646	237,646	198,881
	916,955	916,955	237,646
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The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year. All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 8 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

Statement of Financial Position

31 August 2020

		202	0	2019
	Note	£	£	£
Fixed assets Tangible fixed assets	14		1,502,266	779,153
Current assets	4=			07.004
Debtors	15	39,220		27,064
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	17	320,304		256,183
Net current liabilities			281,084	229,119
Total assets less current liabilities			1,221,182	550,034
Creditors: amounts falling due after more than				
one year	18		304,227	312,388
Net assets			916,955	237,646
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Funds of the charity Unrestricted funds			916,955	237,646
Total charity funds	20		916,955	237,646

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 22 June 2021, and are signed on behalf of the board by:

Mr D B Forrester Trustee

The notes on pages 8 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

Statement of Cash Flows

Year ended 31 August 2020

Cash flows from operating activities	Note	2020 £	2019 £
Net income		679,309	38,765
Adjustments for: Depreciation of tangible fixed assets Impairment of tangible fixed assets Interest payable and similar charges Gains on disposal of heritage assets Accrued (income)/expenses		29,232 (752,345) 19,653 (857) (38,592)	28,995 - 20,260 - 12,156
Changes in: Trade and other debtors Trade and other creditors		(12,156) 20,074	19,616 (<u>61,470</u>)
Cash generated from operations		(55,682)	58,322
Interest paid		(19,653)	(20,260)
Net cash (used in)/from operating activities		(75,335)	38,062
Cash flows from investing activities Proceeds from sale of heritage assets Net cash from investing activities		857 857	
Cash flows from financing activities Proceeds from borrowings Net cash used in financing activities		(<u>13,852</u>) (<u>13,852</u>)	(13,240) (13,240)
Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	46	(88,330) (119,721)	24,822 (144,543)
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	16	(208,051)	(119,721)

The notes on pages 8 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements

Year ended 31 August 2020

1. General information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a registered charity in England and Wales and is unincorporated. The address of the principal office is Lingswood Park, Blackthorn, Northampton, NN3 8TA.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Charities Act 2011.

3. Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Going concern

As disclosed in the trustees report, the impact of Covid-19 sadly left the trustees with no choice but to close the School at the end of the Summer Term 2020 and to market the premises for sale with vacant possession. A number of parties subsequently made offers for the premises and negotiations are currently nearing completion to sell the premises to another educational establishment. The proceeds from sale will be sufficient to clear all the charity's liabilities and provide a surplus for the trustees to distribute in accordance with the charity's trust deed.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees to further any of the charity's purposes.

Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular future project or commitment.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure declared by the donor or through the terms of an appeal, and fall into one of two sub-classes: restricted income funds or endowment funds.

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended 31 August 2020

3. Accounting policies (continued)

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the statement of financial activities when entitlement has passed to the charity; it is probable that the economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the charity and the amount can be reliably measured. The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.
- legacy income is recognised when receipt is probable and entitlement is established.
- income from donated goods is measured at the fair value of the goods unless this is impractical to measure reliably, in which case the value is derived from the cost to the donor or the estimated resale value. Donated facilities and services are recognised in the accounts when received if the value can be reliably measured. No amounts are included for the contribution of general volunteers.
- income from contracts for the supply of services is recognised with the delivery of the contracted service. This is classified as unrestricted funds unless there is a contractual requirement for it to be spent on a particular purpose and returned if unspent, in which case it may be regarded as restricted.

Resources expended

Expenditure is recognised on an accrual basis as a liability is incurred.

Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for its beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature necessary to support them.

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include the audit fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.

The charity is not registered for value added tax and all amounts subject to VAT are therefore inclusive of VAT.

Tangible assets

All fixed assets are initially recorded at cost.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost or valuation of an asset, less its residual value, over the useful economic life of that asset as follows:

Freehold property - 2% straight line School equipment - 16% straight line

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended 31 August 2020

3. Accounting policies (continued)

Impairment of fixed assets

A review for indicators of impairment is carried out at each reporting date, with the recoverable amount being estimated where such indicators exist. Where the carrying value exceeds the recoverable amount, the asset is impaired accordingly. Prior impairments are also reviewed for possible reversal at each reporting date.

For the purposes of impairment testing, when it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, an estimate is made of the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs. The cash-generating unit is the smallest identifiable group of assets that includes the asset and generates cash inflows that largely independent of the cash inflows from other assets or groups of assets.

For impairment testing of goodwill, the goodwill acquired in a business combination is, from the acquisition date, allocated to each of the cash-generating units that are expected to benefit from the synergies of the combination, irrespective of whether other assets or liabilities of the charity are assigned to those units.

Pension schemes

The School contributes to the Teachers' Pension Defined Benefits Scheme at rates set by the Scheme Actuary and advised to the School by the Scheme Administrator. The Scheme is a multi-employer pension scheme and it is not possible to identify the assets and liabilities which are attributable to the School. The scheme is accounted for as a defined contribution scheme and the costs charged in the year represent the amount of contributions payable.

In addition, the School offers a defined contribution scheme for those staff non eligible or opting out of the Teachers Pension Scheme. Contributions to the defined contribution plan are recognised as an expense in the period in which the related service is provided

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4. Donations and legacies

		Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2019 £
	Donations General donations received	_		1,050	1,050
5.	Charitable activities				
		Unrestricted	Total Funds	Unrestricted	Total Funds
		Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2020	Unrestricted Funds	Total Funds 2019
	School fees receivable	Funds	2020	Funds	2019
	School fees receivable Other school income received	Funds £	2020 £	Funds £	2019 £
		Funds £ 391,752	2020 £ 391,752	Funds £ 564,713	2019 £ 564,713

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended 31 August 2020

6.	Other income				
		Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2019 £
	Revaluation of freehold property held for charity's own use	752,345	752,345	_	_
7.	Expenditure on charitable activities b	y fund type			
			Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
	School expenditure Support costs		505,837 17,521	_ _	505,837 17,521
			523,358		523,358
			Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2019 £
	School expenditure Support costs		601,951 12,358	377	602,328 12,358
			614,309	377	614,686
8.	Expenditure on charitable activities b	y activity type	e		
			Support costs	Total funds 2020	Total fund 2019
	School expenditure Governance costs	£ 505,837 —	£ 15,724 1,797	£ 521,561 1,797	£ 612,887 1,799
		505,837	17,521	523,358	614,686
9.	Analysis of support costs				
			Analysis of support costs		
			activity 1 £	Total 2020 £	Total 2019 £
	Finance costs		8,582	8,582	9,687
	Governance costs Regulatory inspection fees		1,800 2,321	1,800 2,321	1,800 541
	Legal fees		4,821	4,821	331
			17,524	17,524	12,359

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended 31 August 2020

10.	Net income		
	Net income is stated after charging/(crediting):		
		2020 £	2019 £
	Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	29,232	28,995
	Gains on disposal of heritage assets	<u>(857)</u>	
11.	Independent examination fees		
		2020	2019
		£	£
	Fees payable to the independent examiner for:		
	Independent examination of the financial statements	1,800	1,800
	Other financial services	8,582	9,687
		10,382	11,487

12. Staff costs

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2020	2019
	£	£
Wages and salaries	317,824	378,480
Social security costs	19,919	25,907
Employer contributions to pension plans	44,689	36,751
	382,432	441,138

The average head count of employees during the year was 18 (2019: 20).

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2019: Nil).

13. Trustee remuneration and expenses

No remuneration was paid to the trustees during the year, (2019: £nil), nor expenses reimbursed, (2019: £nil).

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended 31 August 2020

14. Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Equipment £	Total £
Cost At 1 September 2019	1,252,305	113,981	1,366,286
Revaluations	752,345		752,345
At 31 August 2020	2,004,650	113,981	2,118,631
Depreciation At 1 September 2019 Charge for the year	479,788 24,862	107,345 4,370	587,133 29,232
At 31 August 2020	504,650	111,715	616,365
Carrying amount At 31 August 2020	1,500,000	2,266	1,502,266
At 31 August 2019	772,517	6,636	779,153

During October 2019 the freehold property of the school was subject to a professional revaluation by Christie & Co. The report valued the property at an open market valuation of £1,500,000.

This new valuation has been reflected withing the financial statements as at 31 August 2020 with recognition of the unrealised gain of £752,345 within The Statement of Financial Activities and the creation of an unrestricted Revaluation Reserve.

Tangible fixed assets held at valuation

In respect of tangible fixed assets held at valuation, the aggregate cost, depreciation and comparable carrying amount that would have been recognised if the assets had been carried under the historical cost model are as follows:

	Freehold property £
At 31 August 2020 Aggregate cost Aggregate depreciation	1,252,305 (504,650)
Carrying value	747,655
At 31 August 2019 Aggregate cost Aggregate depreciation	1,252,305 (479,788)
Carrying value	772,517

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended 31 August 2020

15.	Debtors		
	Trade debtors Prepayments and accrued income Other debtors	2020 £ 15,313 6,418 17,489 39,220	2019 £ 1,363 7,252 18,449 27,064
	The debtors above include the following amounts falling due after more to	2020	2019
	Trade debtors	£ 16,529	£ 17,489 —
16.	Cash and cash equivalents		
	Cash and cash equivalents comprise the following:	2020	2019
	Bank overdrafts	£ (208,051)	£ (119,721)
17.	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
	Bank loans and overdrafts Trade creditors Accruals and deferred income Social security and other taxes Pension fund creditor Other creditors	2020 £ 215,298 18,092 5,045 15,043 5,407 61,419	2019 £ 133,659 15,468 43,637 5,869 4,300 53,250 256,183
18.	Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year		
	Bank loans and overdrafts Other creditors	2020 £ 289,827 14,400 304,227	2019 £ 296,988 15,400 312,388

Included within creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year is an amount of £224,594 (2019: £233,405) in respect of liabilities payable or repayable by instalments which fall due for payment after more than five years from the reporting date.

A loan of £347,600 was drawn down in 2016 to consolidate existing borrowings and provide additional working capital for the School. The loan is repayable over eighteen years at a fixed rate of 5.2%

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended 31 August 2020

19. Pensions and other post retirement benefits

Until closure the School participated in the Teachers' Pension Scheme ("the TPS") for qualifying staff. The pension charge for the year includes contributions payable to the TPS of £42,810 (2019: £33,923).

The School left the scheme with effect from 31 August 2020 and has no further liabilities beyond those recorded in these accounts.

The disclosures below have been included to support the comparative results for the year to 31 August 2019:

The TPS is an unfunded multi-employer defined benefits pension scheme governed by the Teachers' Pension Scheme Regulations 2014 (as amended). Members contribute on a "pay as you go" basis with contributions from members and employer being credited to the Exchanger. Retirement and other pension benefits are paid by public funds provided by Parliament.

The employer contribution rate is set by the Secretary of State following scheme valuations undertaken by the Government Actuary Department. The latest actuarial valuation of the TPS was prepared as at 31 March 2016 and the valuation report which was published in March 2019, confirmed that the employer contribution rate for the TPS would increase from 16.4% to 23.6% from 1 September 2019. Employers are also required to pay a scheme administration levy of 0.08% giving a total employer contribution rate of 23.68%.

The 31 March 2016 valuation report was prepared in accordance with the benefits set out in the scheme regulations and under the approach specified in the Directions, as they applied at 5 March 2019. However, the assumptions were considered and set by the Department for Education prior to the ruling in the McCloud/Sargeant case. This case required the courts to consider cases regarding the implementation of the 2015 reforms to Public Service Pensions including the Teachers' Pensions.

On 27 June 2019 the Supreme Court denied the Government permission to appeal the Court of Appeal's judgement that transitional provisions introduced to the reformed pension schemes in 2015 gave rise to unlawful age discrimination. The Government is respecting the Court's decision and has said it will engage fully with the Employment Tribunal as well as employer and member representatives to agree how the discriminations will be remedied.

The TPS is subject to a cost cap mechanism which was put in place to protect taxpayers against unforeseen changes in scheme costs. The Chief Secretary to the Treasury, having in 2018 announced that there would be a review of this cap mechanism, in January 2019 announced a pause to the cost cap mechanism following the Court of Appeal's ruling in the McCloud/Sargeant case and until there is certainty about the value of pensions to employees from April 2015 onwards.

In view of the above rulings and decisions the assumptions used in the 31 March 2016 Actuarial Valuation may become inappropriate. In this scenario, a valuation prepared in accordance with revised benefits and suitably revised assumptions would yield different results than those contained in the Actuarial Valuation.

Until a remedy to the discrimination conclusion has been determined by the Employment Tribunal it is not possible to conclude on any financial impact or future changes to the contribution rates of the TPS. Accordingly no provision for any additional past benefit pension costs is included in these financial statements.

Notes to the Financial Statements (continued)

Year ended 31 August 2020

20. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

General fund Revaluation reserve	At 1 September 2019 £ 237,646 237,646	Income £ 1,202,667 1,202,667	Expenditure £ (523,358) (523,358)	752,345) 752,345	At 11 August 20 20 £ 164,610 752,345 916,955
General fund Revaluation reserve	At 1 September 2018 £ 198,504 198,504	Income £ 653,451 653,451	Expenditure £ (614,309) (614,309)	Transfers £ - - -	At 31 August 20 19 £ 237,646 237,646

21. Analysis of net assets between funds

Tangible fixed assets Current assets Creditors less than 1 year Creditors greater than 1 year Net assets	Unrestricted Funds £ 1,502,266 39,220 (334,704) (289,827) 916,955	` ' '
	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2019 £
Tangible fixed assets	779,153	779,153
Current assets Creditors less than 1 year	27,064 (255,912)	27,064 (255,912)
Creditors greater than 1 year	(312,659)	, ,
Net assets	237,646	237,646

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22. Analysis of changes in net debt

			At
	At 1 Sep 2019	Cash flows	31 Aug 2020
	£	£	£
Bank overdrafts	(119,721)	(88,330)	(208,051)
Debt due within one year	(13,938)	6,691	(7,247)
Debt due after one year	(296,988)	7,161	(289,827)
	(430,647)	(74,478)	(505,125)

23. Related parties

Creditors falling due within one year include loans from the following trustees:

Mr M Dawe, £17,469, (2019: £12,300)

Mr D Forrester, £26,750, (2019: £33,750)

Mr D Reynolds, as trustee of the E W Hall Charitable Trust, £12,000, (2019: £1,200)

Mr D Reynolds, £10,000, (2019: Nil)

Mr A Bentley, £6,000, (2019: £6,000)

Creditors falling due after one year include an interest free loan from the following trustee:

Mr D Reynolds, as trustee of the E W Hall Charitable Trust, £14,400, (2019: £15,400)