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Charity Number: 1150146

**THE ELLIOT FOUNDATION**  
**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**31 AUGUST 2017**

**THE ELLIOT FOUNDATION  
(LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)**

**Financial Statements Year Ended 31 August 2017**

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**Reference and Administrative Details of the Charity:**

The Trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act, submit their annual report and the financial statements of The Elliot Foundation for the year ended 31 August 2017.

**The Board of Trustees**

Mr. H. W. Bedford  
Ms J Cameron (appointed 3 March 2017)  
Mr. H. R. Greenway  
Mrs. D. M. Harvey (resigned 23 June 2017)  
Ms. Kathryn James  
Ms. J. Rothwell  
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## **THE ELLIOT FOUNDATION (LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)**

### **Trustees' Report Year Ended 31 August 2017**

The Trustees confirm that the annual report and financial statements of the company comply with 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 1 January 2015).

### **Structure, Governance and Management**

The Elliot Foundation is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 11 November 2011 and registered as a charity on 12 December 2012.

The governance arrangements for The Elliot Foundation are set out in its Memorandum and Articles of Association. This describes the objects of The Elliot Foundation as being specifically restricted to 'such charitable purposes as the directors in their absolute discretion think fit including, but not limited to, the advancement of education for the public benefit in the United Kingdom, in particular, but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing by sponsoring, co-sponsoring, supporting, establishing, maintaining, carrying on, managing and developing schools.

The Directors of the charity are charity trustees as defined by section 97 of the Charities Act 1993.

### **Trustees/Directors**

At 31 August 2017 there were six Trustees, each of whom is a Director of The Elliot Foundation. The number of Trustees/Directors must be not less than three and not more than twelve. Dr C Whalley, the Chairperson and founder of The Elliot Foundation, may appoint up to seven Trustees/Directors of the charity at any time and to remove her nominated Trustees/Directors from office. The term of office is two years, however this time limit does not apply to Dr C Whalley, and any Director may be re-appointed or re-elected. Full details on the appointment of Trustees/Directors can be found in Article 22 of the Articles of Association of the company.

Trustees/Directors meet three times a year. In appointing new Trustees/Directors the board reviews existing skill sets, identifies gaps and recruits accordingly. New Trustees/Directors are provided with a comprehensive induction pack, (comprising plans, policy documents and other relevant documents) before being invited to the Charity's office in London to meet the team and have a one-to-one meeting with the Chairperson and separately a meeting with the CEO.

### **The Creation of The Elliot Foundation and The Elliot Foundation Academies Trust**

Caroline Whalley with the help of colleagues nurtured the idea of a Multi Academy Trust for Primary Schools during the summer of 2011. The Elliot Foundation (TEF) was incorporated on Armistice Day 2011 as the vehicle for turning the idea into reality. The Elliot Foundation was the start-up body for developing the Multi Academy Trust. Most of those working for TEF provided their services pro-bono. Any expenses that needed to be made were paid for by Caroline Whalley up to April 2012.

In April 2012 the academy order was signed by the Secretary of State for The Elliot Foundation to become the sponsors for a primary phase academy created by the conversion to an Elliot academy of the Croft Community Primary School in Walsall. The Croft Academy opened on 1 September 2012.

The Elliot Foundation was created as a company limited by guarantee and registered charity. It is not a body that can assume responsibility for delivering primary education. A separate organisation, The Elliot Foundation Academies Trust (TEFAT) was established with the specific objects and constitution that enabled it to fulfil this purpose. TEF is a member of TEFAT and its relationship with TEFAT is governed by a member's agreement.

### **Risk Management**

The Trustees are aware of the risk factors involved with the running of a registered charity. The Risk Assessment Statement and Schedule are reviewed annually by the Board of Trustees.

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### **Trustees' Report Year Ended 31 August 2017**

#### **Objects and Activities**

With the creation of The Elliot Foundation Academies Trust (TEFAT), The Elliot Foundation assumed a new role. TEF is registered as a charity. TEF has the overall role of setting the philosophy, ethos and values of the foundation which guide the way the Board and staff of TEFAT manage academies. TEF is the vehicle for fundraising. TEF provides a way to undertake activities relevant to the TEF mission that might conflict with the requirements of the TEFAT funding agreement. The main activities of The Elliot Foundation are raising charitable donations to support the finances of The Elliot Foundation Academies Trust in its early phase to the point where it is of a size to be financially self-sufficient. TEF has provided independent oversight of the activities of The Elliot Foundation Academies Trust through a members agreement signed on 24 April 2015.

The achievements of The Elliot Foundation and those of The Elliot Foundation Academies Trust include:

- The Elliot Foundation Academies Trust had achieved a surplus in 31 August 2017, when it had 27 open academies. The reduction in the Education Services Grant, the apprenticeships levy and increase in the employers Teachers Pension contribution amongst other factors will place further pressure on academies to achieve a surplus.
- Further details are included in the annual report and financial statements of The Elliot Foundation Academies Trust for the period ending 31 August 2017 (company registration No. 8116706).

#### **Public Benefit**

The Trustees have considered the Charity Commission's requirement in respect of Public Benefit. In their view the Charity meets, in full, the criteria to satisfy the test. In particular, in planning future activities of the organisation, the Trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set. This report describes the activities undertaken to further its charitable purposes for the public benefit now and for the future.

#### **Financial Review and Results for the Year**

The statement of financial activities shows a net deficit for the year of £5,583 (2016: £5,600 surplus) and reserves stand at £117 (2016: £5,700) in total. This is adequate to finance the Charity's activities for the foreseeable future and the trustees consider the financial position of the Society to be satisfactory. TEF received a donation of £50,000 after the year end, providing more than sufficient reserves for the foreseeable future.

#### **Reserves Policy**

The policy of The Elliot Foundation towards its funds is that they should all be made available for the advancement of public education. TEF does not incur overheads and as such the board considers that TEF does not need to hold substantial reserves. In any event, as noted above £50,000 was donated after the year end. The reserves policy of The Elliot Foundation Academies Trust is included in the annual report and financial statements of The Elliot Foundation Academies Trust for the period ending 31 August 2017 (company registration No. 8116706).

The Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity will continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future (being over 12 months from the date of signing this report) and have therefore, used the going concern basis in preparing these financial statements.

#### **Review of Achievements and Performance for the Year**

The trustees consider that the performance of the Charity this year has been satisfactory.

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**Trustees' Report Year Ended 31 August 2017**

**Risk management**

The Trustees have reviewed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that appropriate mitigating actions are in place to reduce or control each risk. Major risks are reviewed annually.

**Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the directors/trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs and of its income, and expenditure for the financial year. In preparing these accounts the directors/ trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the accounts;
- prepare the accounts on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

The directors/trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose, with reasonable accuracy at any time, the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The maintenance and integrity of the charity's website is the responsibility of the trustees. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislations in other jurisdictions.

In so far as the Trustees are aware:

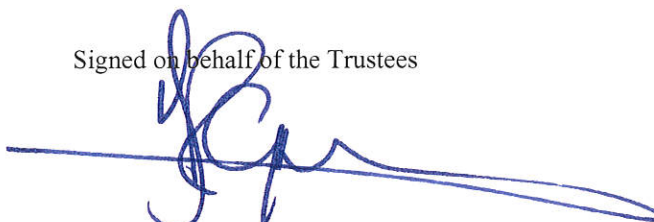
- there is no relevant information of which the charitable company's independent examiner is not aware, and
- the Trustees have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant information and to establish that the independent examiner is aware of that information.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) issued on 16 July 2014 and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

This report was approved by the board of trustees on 30 April 2018 and signed on its behalf by

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Signed on behalf of the Trustees



Mr. H. R. Greenway  
Trustee

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**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT EXAMINER TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE ELLIOT FOUNDATION**

I report on the accounts of The Elliot Foundation for the year ended 31 August 2017 which are set out on pages 6 to 10 and comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, and the related notes.

This report is made solely to the Charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 8 of the Charities Act 2011. My examination has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my examination, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this period under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- To follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- To state 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 Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice : Accounting and Reporting by Charities

have not been met: or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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Date:

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**Statement of financial activities (including income and expenditure account)**

**For the year ended 31 August 2017**

	Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds 2017 £	Total funds 2016 £
<b>Incoming resources</b>					
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds</b>					
Voluntary income:					
Donations	2	10,000	-	10,000	110,500
Interest income		47		47	-
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		10,047	-	10,047	110,500
<b>Resources expended</b>					
<b>Charitable activities</b>					
Grants payable		10,000	-	10,000	100,000
<b>Governance costs</b>		5,630	-	5,630	4,900
<b>Total resources expended</b>	3	15,630	-	15,630	104,900
<b>Net (outgoing) / incoming resources</b>	4	(5,583)	-	(5,583)	5,600
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Total funds at 1 September 2016		5,700	-	5,700	100
<b>Total funds at 31 August 2017</b>		117	-	117	5,700

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 8 to 10 form part of these financial statements.



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**Balance Sheet at 31 August 2017**

	Note	£	2017 £	£	2016 £
<b>Current assets</b>					
Cash at bank and in hand		4,844		107,827	
		<u>4,844</u>		<u>107,827</u>	
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	6	(4,727)		(102,127)	
		<u>(4,727)</u>		<u>(102,127)</u>	
<b>Net current assets</b>			117		5,700
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>			<u>117</u>		<u>5,700</u>
<b>Income funds</b>					
Restricted			-		-
Unrestricted			117		5,700
			<u>117</u>		<u>5,700</u>

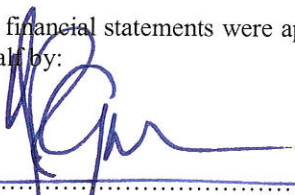
The Trustees (directors) are satisfied that the company is entitled to exemption from the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 (the Act) relating to the audit of the financial statements for the period by virtue of Section 477, and that no member or members have requested an audit pursuant to Section 476 of the Act.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibility for:

- ensuring that the company keeps adequate accounting records which comply with Section 386 of the Act and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial period and of its profit or loss for the financial period in accordance with the requirements of Section 393, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Act relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the company.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions available to companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with the provisions of FRS 102 Section 1A – small entities

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees (Directors) and authorised for issue on 30 April 2018 signed on their behalf by:

  
 .....  
 Mr. H.R. Greenway  
 Trustee

Company Number: 07844369

The notes on pages 8 to 10 form part of these financial statements

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**Notes to the financial statements year ended 31 August 2017**

**1. Accounting policies**

**(a) Charitable Company Information**

The Elliot Foundation is a charitable company limited by guarantee registered in England and Wales. The company number is 07844369 and the charity number is 1150146. The charitable company's principle address is: Pyramid House, 252B Gray's Inn Road, London Borough of Camden, London, WC1X 8JT.

**(b) Basis of accounting**

The accounts (financial statements) have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102), the Charities Act 2011 and the Companies Act 2006.

The company constitutes a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

Having assessed the charitable company's financial position and plans for the foreseeable future, the Trustees are satisfied that it remains appropriate to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis.

The charity has taken the available exemption under the Charities SORP (FRS 102) Update Bulletin 1, as a smaller charity, to not prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling which is the functional currency of the company and are rounded to the nearest £1.

**(b) Fund accounting**

The charity maintains various types of funds as follows.

**Restricted funds** – Restricted funds represent grants and donations received which are allocated by the donor for specific purposes. The charity has not received any such restricted funds in the current or prior period.

**Unrestricted funds** – Unrestricted funds represent income, which is expendable at the discretion of the trustees in the furtherance of the objects of the charity.

**(c) Incoming resources**

Donations and similar incoming resources are included in the year in which they are receivable, which is when the charity becomes entitled to the resource.

Grants receivable are credited to the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) in the year for which they are receivable. Deferred income represents amounts received for future periods and is released to incoming resources in the period to which it relates. Investment income is included in the SOFA in the year in which it is receivable.

**(d) Resources expended and basis of allocation of costs**

Expenditure is included when incurred on an accruals basis.

Grants payable are recognised in the year in which a legal or constructive obligation to make payment arises.

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

**(e) Accounting Estimates**

In preparing the Financial Statements, the trustees are required to make estimates and assumptions which affect reported income, expenses, assets, liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Use of available information and application of judgement are inherent in the formation of estimates, together with expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual results in the future could differ from such estimates.

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**Notes to the financial statements year ended 31 August 2017 (continued)**

There are no key assumptions or other sources of estimation that have a significant risk of causing a material adjustment to the carrying values of assets and liabilities within the next financial year.

**2. Incoming resources from generated funds:**

**Voluntary income:**

**Donations and grants**

	Unrestricted	Restricted	2017 Total	2016 Total
	£	£	£	£
Kereds Finan Ltd	-	-	-	500
The Bedford Family Charitable Fund	-	-	-	110,000
Dr C Whalley	10,000	-	10,000	-
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	10,000	-	10,000	110,500
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All income in 2016 and 2017 was unrestricted.

**3. Total resources expended**

	Charitable activities	Governance costs	2017 Total	2016 Total
	£	£	£	£
Grants payable	10,000	-	10,000	100,000
Legal and professional	-	5,630	5,630	4,900
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	10,000	5,630	15,630	104,900
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All expenditure in 2016 and 2017 was unrestricted

**4. Net incoming resources for the year**

<b>This is stated after charging</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
	£	£
Legal and Professional fees	630	900
Independent examiners' fees	5,000	4,000
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	5,630	4,900
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During the year there were no employees (2016: Nil) and no remuneration (2016: £Nil) was paid to any of the trustees.

No expenses for attending meetings were reimbursed to trustees in either period.

**5. Taxation**

The charitable company is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

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**Notes to the financial statements year ended 31 August 2017 (continued)**

<b>6. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
	£	£
Amounts owed to The Elliot Foundation Academies Trust	2,127	102,127
Independent examiners' fees	2,600	-
	<u>4,727</u>	<u>102,127</u>

- 7. Financial commitments**  
The charity has no annual commitments under non-cancellable leases.

**8. Analysis of net assets between funds 2017**

	<b>Unrestricted funds</b>	<b>Restricted funds</b>	<b>Total 2017</b>	<b>Total 2016</b>
	£	£	£	£
Cash at bank and in hand	4,844	-	4,844	107,827
Creditors	(4,727)	-	(4,727)	(102,127)
	<u>117</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>117</u>	<u>5,700</u>

**9. The liability of the guarantors**

The company is structured as a company limited by guarantee, not having share capital. Every member undertakes to contribute an amount not exceeding £10 to the assets of the company in the event of the company being wound up during the period of membership, or within one year thereafter.

**10. Control**

The company is managed and controlled by its board of trustees. There is no ultimate controlling party.

**11. Related party transactions**

The company is closely related to The Elliot Foundation Academies Trust, a company incorporated in the United Kingdom on 22 June 2012 under company registration number 08116706. The Elliot Foundation Academies Trust operates from the same premises as the company and has a number of directors in common with the company.

During the period ended 31 August 2017, the company acted as agent for The Elliot Foundation Academies Trust in respect of the collection of income and the payment of suppliers. At the balance sheet date, £2,127 (2016: £102,127) was owed to The Elliot Foundation Academies Trust.

Also during the period ended 31 August 2017 one of the directors, Dr C Whalley, donated £10,000 to the company.

**12. Contingent liabilities**

The charity had no contingent liabilities at 31 August 2017.