

City of London School for Girls (CLSG) Bursary Fund

Incorporating:

City of London School for Girls (CLSG) Scholarships
and Prizes Fund

Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year
ended 31 March 2021

Charity registration numbers 276251 and 276251-5

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ORIGINS OF THE CHARITY

The governing document for the City of London School for Girls Bursary Fund (charity registration 276251; charity 1), incorporating the City of London School for Girls Scholarships and Prizes Fund (charity registration 276251-5; charity 2) is the Scheme approved by The Charity Commission for England and Wales on 1 December 2011. This Scheme replaced the previous charitable trust deed dated 29 June 1978, subsequently amended 28 June 1990, 23 December 1997 and 30 November 1999, for the City of London School for Girls Bursary Fund, and the various individual governing documents of the City of London School for Girls Scholarships and Prizes Fund.

TRUSTEE'S ANNUAL REPORT

STRUCTURE AND GOVERNANCE

GOVERNING DOCUMENTS

The governing document for the City of London School for Girls Bursary Fund (charity registration 276251; charity 1), incorporating the City of London School for Girls Scholarships and Prizes Fund (charity registration 276251-5; charity 2) is the Scheme approved by The Charity Commission for England and Wales on 1 December 2011. This Scheme replaced the previous charitable trust deed dated 29 June 1978, subsequently amended 28 June 1990, 23 December 1997 and 30 November 1999, for the City of London School for Girls Bursary Fund, and the various individual governing documents of the City of London School for Girls Scholarships and Prizes Fund. The charity is constituted as a charitable trust.

This scheme further directs that the City of London School for Girls Scholarships and Prizes Fund shall be treated as forming part of the City of London School for Girls Bursary Fund solely for the purpose of Part II (registration) and Part VI (accounting) of the Charities Act 2011.

GOVERNANCE ARRANGEMENTS

The Mayor and Commonalty and Citizens of the City of London (also referred to as 'the City Corporation' or 'the City of London Corporation'), a body corporate and politic, is the Trustee of the City of London School for Girls Bursary Fund and the City of London School for Girls Scholarships and Prizes Fund. The City Corporation is Trustee acting by the Court of Common Council of the City of London in its general corporate capacity and that executive body has delegated responsibility in respect of the administration and management of these charities to the Board of Governors of the City of London School for Girls. In making appointments to committees, the Court of Common Council will take into consideration any particular expertise and knowledge of the elected Members, and where relevant, external appointees. External appointments are made after due advertisement and rigorous selection to fill gaps in skills. Members of the Court of Common Council are unpaid and are elected by the electorate of the City of London.

The key Committee which has responsibility for directly managing matters related to the charity is the Board of Governors of the City of London School for Girls, which is ultimately responsible to the Court of Common Council of the City of London. Committee meetings are held in public, enabling the decision-making process to be clear, transparent and publicly accountable. Details of the membership of Committees of the City Corporation are available at www.cityoflondon.gov.uk.

The Trustee believes that good governance is fundamental to the success of the charity. A comprehensive review of governance commenced during 2019/20 and is ongoing to ensure that the charity is effective in fulfilling its objectives. Reference is being made to the good practices recommended within the Charity Governance Code throughout this review. Focus is being placed on ensuring regulatory compliance and

the ongoing maintenance of an efficient and effective portfolio of charities that maximise impact for beneficiaries.

ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE AND DECISION-MAKING PROCESS

The charity is administered in accordance with its governing instruments and the City Corporation's own corporate governance and administration framework, including Committee Terms of Reference, Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and Officer Scheme of Delegations. These governance documents can be obtained via a request to the email address stated on page 33.

Each Member by virtue of their membership of the Court of Common Council, its relevant committees and sub-committees, has a duty to support the City Corporation in the proper exercise of its functions and in meeting its duties as Trustee of the charity by faithfully acting in accordance with charity law, the Terms of Reference of the relevant committee or sub-committee, and the City of Corporation's agreed corporate governance framework as noted above, backed up by its standards regime.

INDUCTION AND TRAINING OF MEMBERS

The City Corporation makes available to its Members, seminars and briefings on various aspects of its activities, including those concerning the charity, to enable Members to carry out their duties efficiently and effectively. Induction meetings are provided on specific aspects of the work of City of London School for Girls Bursary Fund. If suitable seminars or other training options are identified that are relevant to the charity, Members are advised of these opportunities.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

City of London School for Girls Bursary Fund (Charity 1)

The objective of the charity is the promotion of education (including physical training) by the provision of bursaries and other forms of financial assistance for fees and/or other costs incurred through attendance at the School to enable pupils to further their education at the School by, for example, providing financial assistance to those who:

- (1) would not be able to enter the School having been accepted; or
- (2) having commenced education at the School would not be able to continue their education at the School.

City of London School for Girls Scholarships and Prizes Fund (Charity 2)

The objective of the charity is to further the education (including physical training) of pupils attending the School, former pupils of the School or pupils of other schools with whom the School has cooperated under clause 7(11) of this Scheme, by the provision of scholarships, prizes or other suitable rewards or marks of distinction.

INVESTMENT POLICY

The charity's investments are held in units of the City of London Charities Pool (registered charity 1021138). The investment policy is to provide a real increase in

annual income in the long term whilst preserving the value of the capital base. The annual report and financial statements of the Charities Pool (which include an analysis of investment performance against objectives set) are available from the Chamberlain of London & Chief Financial Officer, at the email address stated on page 33.

FUNDRAISING

Section 162a of the Charities Act 2011 requires charities to make a statement regarding fundraising activities. The legislation defines fundraising as “soliciting or otherwise procuring money or other property for charitable purposes”. Such amounts receivable are presented in the financial statements as “voluntary income” including grants.

In relation to the above we confirm that all solicitations are managed internally, without involvement of commercial participators or professional fund-raisers, or third parties. The day to day management of all income generation is delegated to the executive team, who are accountable to the Trustee. The charity is not bound by any regulatory scheme and does not consider it necessary to comply with any voluntary code of practice.

The charity has received no complaints in relation to fundraising activities in the current year (2019/20: nil).

POLICY ON GRANT MAKING

The charity has established its grant making policies to achieve its objects, as laid out above, for the public benefit. Applications are assessed via a robust process to ensure the proposed activities for funding will be supported by adequate and appropriate resources and will be used only for activities that match the charity’s criteria. The assessment, management and oversight of the charity’s grant making is provided by the City of London School for Girls, the Bursar and the Chamberlain’s, which is an internal department of The City of London Corporation. Grants are recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities when they have been approved by the Trustee and notified to the Beneficiaries.

PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT

The Trustee confirms that it has referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission’s general guidance on public benefit when reviewing the City of London School for Girls Bursary Fund and the City of London School for Girls Scholarships and Prizes Fund’s aims and objectives and in planning future activities. The purposes of the charity are as stated above.

Consequently, the Trustee considers that the City of London School for Girls Bursary Fund and the City of London School for Girls Scholarships and Prizes Fund operate to benefit the general public and satisfy the public benefit test.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

The administrative details of the charity are stated on page 33.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

- 1) The aim for the City of London School for Girls Bursary Fund (charity 1) during 2020/21 was to continue to contribute towards the fees payable to the School of pupils who, but for financial assistance, having commenced at the school, would be unable to continue at, or to enter the school having been accepted. In accordance with this aim 53 bursaries were awarded during the year amounting to £843,423 and ancillary costs of educating these pupils of £8,798 were met (2019/20: 50 bursaries awarded amounting to £827,243 along with ancillary costs of educating the pupils of £6,491).
- 2) The aim for the City of London School for Girls Scholarships and Prizes Fund (charity 2) during 2020/21 was to continue to assist children to study various subjects at the School and to assist in further education. In 2020/21 25 prizes were allocated from this fund amounting to £2,249 (2019/20: 24 prizes were allocated from this fund amounting to £1,740).

PLANS FOR FUTURE PERIODS

The aims for 2021/22 are:

- i) For the City of London School for Girls Bursary Fund (charity 1) to continue to contribute towards pupils' fees where financial hardship would cause the pupils to be unable to continue at the school.
- ii) For the City of London School for Girls Scholarships and Prizes Fund (charity 2) to continue to assist children to study various subjects at the School.

The Trustee does not consider there to be any material uncertainty around going concern and further detail regarding this is set out on page 18.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Overview of Financial Performance

Income

In 2020/21 the charity's total income for the year was £935,578, an overall reduction of £125,379 against the previous year (2019/20: the charity's total income for the year was £1,060,957, an overall increase of £132,407 against the previous year).

The key contributor to income was from voluntary income, amounting to £759,979 (2019/20: £902,211), with further income from managed investments of £169,785 (2019/20: £155,820), £5,814 of interest from cash balances held (2019/20: £2,426) and nil other income (2019/20: £500).

Expenditure

Total expenditure for the year was £845,672, an overall reduction of £49,547 against the previous year (2019/20: total expenditure for the year was £895,219, an overall increase of £170,730 against the previous year). This comprised of spend on charitable activities of £846,672 (2019/20: £828,983) and nil costs in relation to raising funds (2019/20: £66,236).

Investments performance

Financial markets recovered strongly over the twelve months to 31 March 2021 following the decline in asset prices in early 2020 during the emergence of the COVID-19 pandemic. Under these conditions investments held in the Charities Pool performed very well, generating a gross return of +30.72% for 2020/21 (2019/20: -14.78%) which compares favourably against the FTSE All Share Index benchmark return of +26.71% (2019/20 -18.45%). As a result, the longer-term performance of the Charities Pool investments, as set out in the table below, has significantly improved compared to the position reported twelve months ago.

	2020/21		2019/20	
	3 year	5 year	3 year	5 year
Fund	5.04%	7.19%	-2.44%	1.37%
FTSE All Share	3.19%	6.29%	-4.24%	0.57%
Fund outperformance	+1.85%	+0.90%	+1.80%	+0.80%

Funds held

The charity's total funds held increased by £903,217 to £4,787,963 as at 31 March 2021 (2019/20: the charity's total funds held decreased by £589,951 to £3,884,746). This is largely due to gains of £812,493 (2019/20: losses of £755,689) on the investments held within the City of London Charities Pool based on valuations as at 31 March 2021. The valuations are linked to the UK stock market, which experienced a significant fall during February and March 2020 as a result of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Most of the losses that occurred have now reversed although valuations have not yet fully recovered to the levels seen in October 2019.

Funds are represented mainly by permanent and expendable endowment funds. The endowment is held to generate income for the objectives of the charity and the expendable endowment funds are also used for the primary objectives of the charity.

As part of the review of charities, a detailed review of the historic governing documents of the charity identified that the charity does not have the power of accumulation required to allocate incoming funds to the expendable endowment. As such the policy for recognising income and available expenditure for the current period has been updated to provide more reliable and relevant information that income received is unrestricted, and that all available unrestricted funds are spent on charitable purposes. Subsequently, voluntary income of £647,940 was credited to the unrestricted fund in 2020/21.

Income of £175,599 arising from the capital held in the endowment funds was also credited to the unrestricted fund (2019/20: £158,246) and expenditure of £738,179 was met from this fund (2019/20: £156,461). The remaining balance of the fund was £87,145 as at 31 March 2021 (2019/20: £1,785).

Restricted voluntary income of £112,039 was received during 2020/21 (2019/20: £97,994) and was largely offset by expenditure. A transfer of £150,000 was made from the expendable endowment fund to the restricted fund, resulting in a closing balance of £154,546 (2019/20: nil).

Details of the funds held, including their purpose, is set out within notes 12 and 13 to the financial statements.

Reserves policy

The reserves policy is to maintain the endowment funds of the charity in investments in the Charities Pool administered by the City of London Corporation and use the donations and investment income together with other funds, in accordance with the objectives of the charity. The Trustee also has the discretion to distribute the expendable endowment as bursaries, prizes and other forms of financial assistance should they deem this is appropriate. The free reserves of the charity are held to cover working capital needs. The trustee believes that an amount of at least £8,278 should be held at present, representing 12 months of administration and external audit fees, which will be subject to annual review.

Principal Risks and Uncertainties

The charity is committed to a programme of risk management as an element of its strategies to preserve the charity's assets. In order to embed sound practice the senior leadership team ensures that risk management policies are applied, that there is an on-going review of activity and that appropriate advice and support is provided. A key risk register has been prepared for the charity, which has been reviewed by the Trustee. This identifies the potential impact of key risks and the measures which are in place to mitigate such risks.

The principal risks faced by the charity, and actions taken to manage them are as follows:

Risk	Actions to manage risks
The income from investments in the Charities Pool may decline.	Funds are managed by professional fund manager. Monitoring of the fund manager's performance is carried out by the Chamberlain & Chief Financial Officer and the Financial Investment Board.
Funding from the City may be reduced following change in its budget policy which could result in serious impact on the charity and lead to adverse user reaction and bad publicity.	Timely representation to be made to the City Corporation if budget policy provides a risk to charity's income. The school will continue to pursue additional sources of funding for the charity.

TRUSTEE'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustee is responsible for preparing the Annual Report and the Financial Statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

Charity law requires the Trustee to prepare the financial statements for each financial year in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). Under charity law the Trustee must not approve the financial statements unless the Trustee is satisfied that they 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 these financial statements, the Trustee is required to:

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

The Trustee is responsible for keeping adequate 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 the Trustee to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. 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.

In so far as the Trustee is aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the charity's auditors are unaware; and
- the Trustee has taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any relevant audit information and to establish that the auditors are aware of that information.

Financial statements are published on the Trustee's website in accordance with legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements, which may vary from legislation in other jurisdictions. The maintenance and integrity of the Trustee's website is the responsibility of the Trustee. The Trustee's responsibility also extends to the ongoing integrity of the financial statements contained therein.

Adopted and signed for on behalf of the Trustee.

Jamie Ingham Clark FCA
Chairman of Finance Committee of
The City of London Corporation

Jeremy Paul Mayhew MA MBA
Deputy Chairman of Finance
Committee of The City of London
Corporation

Guildhall, London

7 December 2021

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEE OF THE CITY OF LONDON SCHOOL FOR GIRLS BURSARY FUND INCORPORATING CITY OF LONDON SCHOOL FOR GIRLS SCHOLARSHIPS AND PRIZES FUND

Opinion on the financial statements

In our opinion, the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Charity's affairs as at 31 March 2021 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; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

We have audited the financial statements of The City of London School for Girls Bursary Fund Incorporating City of London School for Girls Scholarships and Prizes Fund ("the Charity") for the year ended 31 March 2021 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance sheet, the cash flow statement and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Basis for opinion

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

Independence

We remain independent of the Charity in accordance with the ethical requirements relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

Conclusions related to going concern

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.

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 when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

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

Other information

The Trustee is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The other information comprises: Report of the Trustee. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. Our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in 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 in this regard.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the Charities Act 2011 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information contained in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the Trustee's Annual Report; or
- adequate accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

Responsibilities of Trustee

As explained more fully in the Trustee's responsibilities statement, the Trustee is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustee determines 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 intends to liquidate the Charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

We have been appointed as auditor 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 auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Extent to which the audit was capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud

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

- We obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory frameworks that are applicable to the Charity and the sector within which it operates. This included but was not limited to compliance with the Charities Act 2011, United Kingdom Accounting Standards, and tax legislation;
- We held discussions with management, including consideration of known or suspected instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations and fraud;
- We requested and reviewed any regulatory correspondence, in particular compliance with the Charity Commission, and details of legal expenses;
- We addressed the risk of management override, in particular by testing any journal entries containing material or round sum amounts, and any irregular journals;
- We have considered the control environment at both entity level and financial statement level to consider the ability to detect and prevent fraud; and
- We reviewed the financial statement disclosures and tested to supporting documentation to assess compliance with relevant laws and regulations that have a direct effect on the financial statements.

Our audit procedures were designed to respond to risks of material misstatement in the financial statements, recognising that 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, misrepresentations or through collusion. There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures performed and the further removed non-compliance with laws and regulations is from the events and transactions reflected in the financial statements, the less likely we are to become aware of it.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located at the Financial Reporting Council's ("FRC's") website at: <https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the Charity's trustee, as a body, in accordance with the Charities Act 2011. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Charity's trustee those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's trustee as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Heather Wheelhouse, Senior Statutory Auditor
BDO LLP, statutory auditor
London, UK

XX December 2021

BDO LLP is eligible for appointment as auditor of the charity by virtue of its eligibility for appointment as auditor of a company under section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

BDO LLP is a limited liability partnership registered in England and Wales (with registered number OC305127).

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	Unrestrict- ed Funds	Restricted Funds £	Endow- ment Funds £	2020/21 Total Funds £	2019/20 Total Funds £
Income and endowments from:						
Voluntary income	2	647,940	112,039	-	759,979	902,211
Investments	3	175,599	-	-	175,599	158,246
Other	4	-	-	-	-	500
Total income		823,539	112,039	-	935,578	1,060,957
Expenditure on:						
Charitable activities	5	738,179	107,493	-	845,672	828,983
Raising funds	6	-	-	-	-	66,236
Total expenditure		738,179	107,493	-	845,672	895,219
Net gains / (losses) on investments	9	-	-	812,493	812,493	(755,689)
Fair Value Movements		-	-	818	818	-
Net movement in funds	12,13	85,360	4,546	813,311	903,217	(589,951)
Reconciliation of total funds:						
Brought forward		1,785	150,000	3,732,961	3,884,746	4,474,697
Carried forward	12,13	87,145	154,546	4,546,272	4,787,963	3,884,746

All of the above results are derived from continuing activities.

There were no other recognised gains and losses other than those shown above.

The notes on pages 18 to 32 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	2021 Total £	2020 Total £
Fixed assets:			
Investments	9	4,116,941	3,304,448
Total fixed assets		4,116,941	3,304,448
Current assets			
Debtors	10	57,907	39,381
Cash at bank and in hand		931,070	804,276
Total current assets		988,977	843,657
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	11	(317,955)	(263,359)
Net current assets		671,022	580,298
Total net assets		4,787,963	3,884,746
The funds of the charity:			
Endowment funds		4,546,272	3,732,961
Restricted funds		154,546	150,000
Unrestricted funds		87,145	1,785
Total funds	12,13	4,787,963	3,884,746

The notes on pages 18 to 32 form part of these financial statements.

Approved and signed on behalf of the Trustee.

Caroline Al-Beyerty

Chamberlain of London & Chief Financial Officer

XX December 2021

CASH FLOW STATEMENT

AS AT 31 MARCH 2021

	Notes	2020/21 Total £	2019/20 Total £
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Net cash provided by operating activities	14	(48,805)	22,916
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Dividends, interest and income from investments		175,599	158,246
Increase in cash in the year		126,794	181,162
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		126,794	181,162
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		804,276	623,114
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		931,070	804,276

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items that are considered material in relation to the financial statements of the charity.

(a) Basis of preparation

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS102, have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: 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) (second edition effective 1 January 2019) and the Charities Act 2011.

The governing Scheme, approved by The Charity Commission for England and Wales on 1 December 2011, directs that the City of London School for Girls Scholarships and Prizes Fund shall be treated as forming part of the City of London School for Girls Bursary Fund solely for the purpose of Part II (registration) and Part VI (accounting) of the Charities Act 2011.

(b) Going concern

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis as the Trustee considers that there are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern. The charity only spends the income that is generated from donations and investments, so maintaining its capital base. The latest forecast anticipates that adequate funds will be available in the next five years to enable the charity to continue to fulfil its obligations.

In making this assessment, the Trustee has given regard to the ongoing impact of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic on the future income levels and the liquidity of the charity over the next 12-month period from the date of signing these financial statements and has not identified any indication that the charity will not be able to meet liabilities, including planned liabilities, as they fall due.

The policy of only approving commitments from available income provides the flexibility to ensure the long-term viability of the charity despite previous reductions in investment values that occurred at the start of the pandemic. For this reason, the Trustee continues to adopt a going concern basis for the preparation of the financial statements.

(c) Key management judgements and assumptions

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of assets and liabilities, income and expenditure. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and various other factors that are believed to be reasonable under the

circumstances, the result of which form the basis of decisions about carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom equal the related actual results.

Estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised and in any future periods affected. Management do not consider there to be any material revisions requiring disclosure.

(d) Prior period adjustment

In the prior year, a legacy of £150,000 was received which had certain conditions regarding its usage. The income should have been included as restricted income but was incorrectly classified as endowment income. This has resulted in the prior year income being restated to correctly classify this as restricted income. There is no impact on the net movement of funds for the year.

(e) Income

All income is included in the Statements of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income; it is more likely than not that economic benefit associated with the transaction will come to the charity and the amount can be quantified with reasonable certainty. Income consists of donations, managed investment income and interest.

As part of the review of charities, a detailed review of the historic governing documents of the charity identified that the charity does not have the power of accumulation required to allocate incoming funds to the expendable endowment. As such the policy for recognising income and available expenditure for the current period has been updated to provide more reliable and relevant information that income received is unrestricted, and that all available unrestricted funds are spent on charitable purposes.

However, it is not practicable to amend this recognition over a longer period of time as it would require significant administrative time and cost which would outweigh the benefit and understanding provided to the users of the accounts, given that expenditure out of the expendable endowment has historically been at a similar level to the income received and therefore the net impact on the funds held would be unlikely to be significant.

(f) Expenditure

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and is classified under the principal category of 'expenditure on charitable activities'. Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that settlement will be required, and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

The charity does not employ any staff, however the costs of bursaries administration, incurred by the City of London Corporation, are charged to the charity.

Officers of the City Corporation provide additional administrative assistance to the charity when required. From 1 April 2021, the City Corporation, as Trustee, has taken a decision to seek full reimbursement for administration fees incurred on behalf of the charity.

(g) Taxation

The charity meets the definition of a charitable trust for UK income tax purposes, as set out in Paragraph 1 Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010. Accordingly, the charity is exempt from UK taxation in respect of income or capital gains under part 10 of the Income Tax Act 2007 or section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992, to the extent that such income or gains are applied exclusively to charitable purposes.

(h) Investments

Investments are made in the City of London Charities Pool (charity number 1021138) which is an investment mechanism operating in a similar way to a unit trust. This enables the City of London Corporation to pool small charitable investments together and consequently obtain better returns than would be the case if investments were made individually.

Investments are valued at bid-price. Gains and losses for the year on investments held as fixed assets are included in the Statement of Financial Activities.

(i) Funds structure

Income, expenditure and gains/losses are allocated to particular funds according to their purpose:

Permanent endowment fund – this fund consists of funds which are held in perpetuity for the benefit of the charity as a result of conditions imposed by the original donors and trusts. Income generated from the investments which represent these funds can be spent on the charitable purpose of the charity, hence is allocated to the expendable endowment fund. Gains/losses on the underlying assets remain as part of the permanent endowment.

Expendable endowment fund – this fund consists of funds that are expendable as a result of the charity's governing Scheme. Funds can also be invested to generate income which can be spent on the charitable purpose of the charity.

Restricted funds – these include income that is subject to specific restrictions imposed by donors, with related expenditure deducted when incurred.

Unrestricted funds – these funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the Trustee and include income generated by assets held within the expendable endowment fund.

(j) Insurance

The charity, elected Members and staff supporting the charity's administration are covered by the City Corporation's insurance liability policies, and otherwise under the indemnity the City Corporation provides to Members and staff, funded from City's Cash.

2. INCOME FROM VOLUNTARY ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds 2020/21 £	Restricted funds 2020/21 £	Endowment funds 2020/21 £	Total 2020/21 £
Charity 1 - CLSG				
Bursary Fund				
Donations and legacies	292,469	112,039	-	404,508
City of London Corporation match-funding	355,471	-	-	355,471
Total	647,940	112,039	-	759,979

	Unrestricted funds 2019/20 £	Restricted funds - restated 2019/20 £	Endowment funds - restated 2019/20 £	Total 2019/20 £
Charity 1 - CLSG				
Bursary Fund				
Donations and legacies	-	247,994	299,729	547,723
City of London Corporation match-funding	-	-	354,488	354,488
Total	-	247,994	654,217	902,211

Voluntary income consists of donations from individuals and organisations which are then match-funded by the City of London Corporation up to a maximum of 2.5% of tuition fee income. The match-funded value is included within Note 15 Related Party Transactions.

3. INCOME FROM INVESTMENTS

	Unrestricted funds 2020/21 £	Unrestricted funds 2019/20 £
Charity 1 - CLSG Bursary Fund		
Investment income	166,219	152,547
Interest	5,339	2,174
Total	171,558	154,721
Charity 2 - CLSG Scholarships and Prizes Fund		
Investment income	3,566	3,273
Interest	475	252
Total	4,041	3,525
Charities 1 & 2 total		
Investment income	169,785	155,820
Interest	5,814	2,426
Total - charities 1 and 2	175,599	158,246

4. OTHER INCOME

	Endowment funds 2020/21 £	Endowment funds 2019/20 £
Charity 1 - CLSG Bursary Fund		
Sponsorship	-	500
Total	-	500

5. EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted		Restricted	Endowment	Total 2020/21 £
	Direct	Support	Direct	Direct	
	costs	costs	costs	costs	
	£	£	£	£	
Charity 1 - CLSG					
Bursary Fund					
Bursaries awarded	721,624	5,508	107,493	-	834,625
Ancillary costs of education	8,798	-	-	-	8,798
Total	730,422	5,508	107,493	-	843,423
Charity 2 - CLSG					
Scholarships and Prizes Fund					
Prizes	2,249	-	-	-	2,249
Total	2,249	-	-	-	2,249
Charities 1 & 2 total					
Bursaries awarded	721,624	5,508	107,493	-	834,625
Ancillary costs of education	8,798	-	-	-	8,798
Prizes	2,249	-	-	-	2,249
Total	732,671	5,508	107,493	-	845,672

5. EXPENDITURE ON CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES (CONTINUED)

	Unrestricted Direct costs £	Restricted Direct costs £	Endowment funds Direct costs £	Support costs £	Total 2019/20 £
Charity 1 - CLSG Bursary Fund					
Bursaries awarded	154,721	97,994	565,283	2,754	820,752
Ancillary costs of education	-	-	6,491	-	6,491
Total	154,721	97,994	571,774	2,754	827,243
Charity 2 - CLSG Scholarships and Prizes Fund					
Prizes	1,740	-	-	-	1,740
Total	1,740	-	-	-	1,740
Charities 1 & 2 total					
Bursaries awarded	154,721	97,994	565,283	2,754	820,752
Ancillary costs of education	-	-	6,491	-	6,491
Prizes	1,740	-	-	-	1,740
Total	156,461	97,994	571,774	2,754	828,983

Charitable activities consist of 53 bursaries (2019/20: 50) and 25 prizes (2019/20: 24) awarded to individuals during the year. Further ancillary costs of education, noted above, were for the provision of uniforms and school trips.

6. EXPENDITURE ON RAISING FUNDS

	Endowment Funds 2020/21 £	Endowment Funds 2019/20 £
Charity 1 - CLSG Bursary Fund		
125th year celebration concert	-	66,236
Total	-	66,236

7. AUDITOR'S REMUNERATION

BDO LLP are the auditors of the City of London's City's Cash Fund and all of the different charities of which it is Trustee. The City of London Corporation charges the audit fee to its City's Cash Fund. From 2021/22 the City Corporation, as Trustee, has taken a decision to seek reimbursement for the audit fee incurred from each of its charities. In 2020/21, no audit fee was recharged (2019/20: nil).

No other services were provided to the charity by its auditors during the year (2019/20: nil).

8. TRUSTEE'S EXPENSES

The members of the City of London Corporation acting on behalf of the Trustee did not receive any remuneration or reimbursement of expenses during 2020/21 (2019/20: nil).

9. INVESTMENTS

The investments are held in the City of London Corporation Charities Pool, a charity registered in the UK with the Charities Commission (charity number: 1021138). The Charities Pool is a UK registered unit trust.

The value of investments held by the charity are as follows:

	Total 31 March 2021 £	Total 31 March 2020 £
Charity 1 - CLSG Bursary Fund		
Market value 1 April	3,235,046	3,974,864
Gain / (loss) for the year	795,429	(739,817)
Market value 31 March	4,030,475	3,235,047
Units held in Charities Pool	455,833	455,833
Charity 2 - CLSG Scholarships and Prizes Fund		
Market value 1 April	69,402	85,273
Gain / (loss) for the year	17,064	(15,872)
Market value 31 March	86,466	69,401
Units held in Charities Pool	9,779	9,779
Total charities 1 and 2:		
Total market value 31 March	4,116,941	3,304,448
Total cost 31 March	1,765,156	1,765,156
Total units held in Charities Pool	465,612	465,612

9. INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

The type of listed investments held as at 31 March was as follows:

	Total 31 March 2021	Total 31 March 2020
	£	£
Equities	3,841,106	2,934,350
Pooled Units	218,198	237,920
Cash held by Fund Manager	57,637	132,178
Total	4,116,941	3,304,448

10. DEBTORS – AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	Total 31 March 2021	Total 31 March 2020
	£	£
Charity 1 - CLSG Bursary Fund		
Sundry debtors	1,902	20,036
Amounts due from HMRC for Gift Aid	56,005	19,345
Total	57,907	39,381

Note: for charity 2, debtors at 31 March 2021 were nil (31 March 2020: nil).

11. CREDITORS – AMOUNTS DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2021	2020
	£	£
Charity 1 - CLSG Bursary Fund		
Bursaries awarded	296,820	250,428
Receipts in advance	21,135	12,931
Total	317,955	263,359

	2021	2020
	£	£
Charity 1 - bursaries awarded analysis within creditors:		
Commitments at 1 April	250,428	262,417
Commitments made in the year	829,116	817,998
Amounts paid in the year	(782,724)	(829,987)
Commitments at 31 March	296,820	250,428

Note: for charity 2, creditors at 31 March 2021 were nil (31 March 2020: nil).

12. ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BY FUND

At 31 March 2021

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment Funds		Total at 31 March 2021	Restated
			Permanent	Expendable		Total at 31 March 2020
	£	£	£	£		£
Charity 1 - CLSG Bursary Fund						
Fixed assets - investments	-	-	53,061	3,977,414	4,030,475	3,235,047
Current assets	83,568	154,546	-	709,376	947,490	803,992
Current liabilities	-	-	-	(317,955)	(317,955)	(263,359)
Total	83,568	154,546	53,061	4,368,835	4,660,010	3,775,680

Charity 2 - CLSG Scholarships and Prizes Fund

Fixed assets - investments	-	-	-	86,466	86,466	69,401
Current assets	3,577	-	-	37,910	41,487	39,665
Total	3,577	-	-	124,376	127,953	109,066

Total (charities 1 and 2)	87,145	154,546	53,061	4,493,211	4,787,963	3,884,746
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At 31 March 2020 - restated

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Endowment Funds		Restated Total at 31 March 2020	Total at 31
			Permanent	Expendable		Total at 31 March 2019
	£	£	£	£		£
Charity 1 - CLSG Bursary Fund						
Fixed assets - investments	-	-	42,589	3,192,458	3,235,047	3,974,864
Current assets	-	150,000	-	653,992	803,992	639,097
Current liabilities	-	-	-	(263,359)	(263,359)	(262,417)
Total	-	150,000	42,589	3,583,091	3,775,680	4,351,544

Charity 2 - CLSG Scholarships and Prizes Fund

Fixed assets - investments	-	-	-	69,401	69,401	85,273
Current assets	1,785	-	-	37,880	39,665	37,880
Total	1,785	-	-	107,281	109,066	123,153

Total (charities 1 and 2)	1,785	150,000	42,589	3,690,372	3,884,746	4,474,697
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13. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

TOTAL MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

At 31 March 2021	Restated Total 1 April 2020 £	Income £	Expend- iture £	Gains & (losses) £	Total 31 March 2021 £
Endowment funds:					
Expendable	3,690,372	-	-	802,839	4,493,211
Permanent	42,589	-	-	10,472	53,061
Restricted funds:					
11+ Tower Hamlets Bursaries (7 years)	-	29,010	(29,010)	-	-
11+ Bursaries (5 years)	-	22,528	(22,528)	-	-
Lower Sixth Bursaries (2 years)	-	30,849	(30,849)	-	-
Sixth Form Bursaries (up to 2 years)	150,000	-	-	-	150,000
Sixth Form STEM Bursaries (1 or 2 years)	-	14,606	(14,606)	-	-
11+ Bursaries (7 years)	-	5,500	(5,500)	-	-
Pupils from single parent families	-	5,000	(5,000)	-	-
Existing pupils facing financial hardship	-	4,546	-	-	4,546
Unrestricted fund	1,785	823,539	(738,179)	-	87,145
Total funds	3,884,746	935,578	(845,672)	813,311	4,787,963

At 31 March 2020 - restated	Total 1 April 2019 £	Income £	Expend- iture £	Gains & (losses) £	Restated Total 31 March 2020 £
Endowment funds:					
Expendable	4,422,368	654,717	(640,764)	(745,949)	3,690,372
Permanent	52,329	-	-	(9,740)	42,589
Restricted funds:					
11+ Tower Hamlets Bursaries (7 years)	-	28,818	(28,818)	-	-
11+ Bursaries (5 years)	-	26,712	(26,712)	-	-
Lower Sixth Bursaries (2 years)	-	23,058	(23,058)	-	-
Sixth Form Bursaries (up to 2 years)	-	150,000	-	-	150,000
Sixth Form STEM Bursaries (1 or 2 years)	-	14,000	(14,000)	-	-
11+ Bursaries (7 years)	-	5,406	(5,406)	-	-
Unrestricted fund	-	158,246	(156,461)	-	1,785
Total funds	4,474,697	1,060,957	(895,219)	(755,689)	3,884,746

MOVEMENT IN FUNDS OF CHARITY 1 - CLSG BURSARY FUND

At 31 March 2021	Restated				Total 31
	Total 1			Gains &	March
	April	Income	Expend-	(losses)	2021
	2020	£	iture	£	£
	£	£	£	£	£
Endowment funds:					
Expendable	3,583,091	-	-	785,745	4,368,836
Permanent	42,589	-	-	10,472	53,061
Restricted funds:					
11+ Tower Hamlets Bursaries (7 years)	-	29,010	(29,010)	-	-
11+ Bursaries (5 years)	-	22,528	(22,528)	-	-
Lower Sixth Bursaries (2 years)	-	30,849	(30,849)	-	-
Sixth Form Bursaries (up to 2 years)	150,000	-	-	-	150,000
Sixth Form STEM Bursaries (1 or 2 years)	-	14,606	(14,606)	-	-
11+ Bursaries (7 years)	-	5,500	(5,500)	-	-
Pupils from single parent families		5,000	(5,000)	-	-
Existing pupils facing financial hardship	-	4,546	-	-	4,546
Unrestricted fund	-	819,498	(735,930)	-	83,568
Total funds - charity 1	3,775,680	931,537	(843,423)	796,217	4,660,010

At 31 March 2020 - restated	Restated				Total 31
	Total 1			Gains &	March
	April	Income	Expend-	(losses)	2020
	2019	£	iture	£	£
	£	£	£	£	£
Endowment funds:					
Expendable	4,299,215	654,717	(640,764)	(730,077)	3,583,091
Permanent	52,329	-	-	(9,740)	42,589
Restricted funds:					
11+ Tower Hamlets Bursaries (7 years)	-	28,818	(28,818)	-	-
11+ Bursaries (5 years)	-	26,712	(26,712)	-	-
Lower Sixth Bursaries (2 years)	-	23,058	(23,058)	-	-
Sixth Form Bursaries (up to 2 years)	-	150,000	-	-	150,000
Sixth Form STEM Bursaries (1 or 2 years)	-	14,000	(14,000)	-	-
11+ Bursaries (7 years)	-	5,406	(5,406)	-	-
Unrestricted fund	-	154,721	(154,721)	-	-
Total funds - charity 1	4,351,544	1,057,432	(893,479)	(739,817)	3,775,680

MOVEMENT IN FUNDS OF CHARITY 2 - CLSG SCHOLARSHIPS AND PRIZES FUND

At 31 March 2021	Total 1 April 2020 £	Income £	Expend- iture £	Gains & (losses) £	Total 31 March 2021 £
Endowment funds:					
Expendable endowment	107,281	-	-	17,095	124,376
Unrestricted fund	1,785	4,041	(2,249)	-	3,577
Total funds - charity 2	109,066	4,041	(2,249)	17,095	127,953

At 31 March 2020	Total 1 April 2019 £	Income £	Expend- iture £	Gains & (losses) £	Total 31 March 2020 £
Endowment funds:					
Expendable endowment	123,153	-	-	(15,872)	107,281
Unrestricted fund	-	3,525	(1,740)	-	1,785
Total funds - charity 2	123,153	3,525	(1,740)	(15,872)	109,066

A gain of £812,493 (2019/20: a loss of £755,689) occurred on investments, based on valuations as at 31 March 2021. The valuations are linked to the UK stock market, which experienced a significant fall during February and March 2020 as a result of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Most of the losses that occurred have now reversed although valuations have not yet fully recovered to the levels seen in October 2019.

Purpose of endowment funds

The permanent endowment fund is held in perpetuity as a capital fund to generate income for the activities of the charity. This consists of one scholarship and prize fund identified within the governing scheme, to be held by charity 1.

The expendable endowment fund is invested as a capital fund to generate income for the activities of the charity, including support in the form of bursaries, scholarships and prizes in accordance with the objectives of the charity. This consists of the seven scholarships and prizes funds identified in the charity's governing Scheme.

Purpose of restricted funds

The following restricted funds are held within charity 1:

11+ Tower Hamlets Bursaries (7 years) – donations were received to fund full or partial bursaries for one or more resident in the London Borough of Tower Hamlets in year 7 for their studies up to and including year 13.

11+ Bursaries (5 years) – donations were received to fund full or partial bursaries for one or more pupils in year 7 for their studies up to and including year 11.

Lower Sixth Bursaries (2 years) – donations were received to fund full or partial bursaries for one or more pupils in the lower sixth for the duration of their studies in the sixth form.

Sixth Form Bursaries (up to 2 years) – donations were received to help existing pupils who otherwise would be unable to continue at the school.

Sixth Form STEM Bursaries (1 or 2 years) – donations were received to fund full or partial bursaries for one or pupils in lower or upper sixth studying subjects related to science, technology, engineering or mathematics.

11+ Bursaries (7 years) – donations were received to fund full or partial bursaries for one or more pupils in year 7 for their studies up to and including year 13.

Pupils from single parent families – donations were received to fund full or partial bursaries for pupils from single parent families.

Existing pupils facing financial hardship – donations were received to help pupils whose parents are experiencing financial difficulties to continue their education at the school.

Purpose of unrestricted funds

These funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the Trustee and include income generated by assets held within the endowment funds.

14. NOTE TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Reconciliation of net income to net cash inflow from operating activities:

	2020/21	2019/20
	£	£
Net (expenditure)/income for the reporting period as per the Statement of Financial Activities	903,217	(589,951)
Adjustments for:		
Dividends, interest and income from investments	(175,599)	(158,246)
Losses / (gains) on investments	(812,493)	755,689
Decrease in debtors	(18,526)	14,482
Increase in creditors	54,596	942
Net cash provided by / (used in) operating activities	(48,805)	22,916

Analysis of cash and cash equivalents

	2020/21	2019/20
	£	£
Cash in hand	931,070	804,276
Total cash and cash equivalents	931,070	804,276

15. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The City Corporation is the sole Trustee of the charity, as described on page 2.

The charity is required to disclose information on related party transactions with bodies or individuals that have the potential to control or influence the charity. Members are required to disclose their interests, and these can be viewed online at www.cityoflondon.gov.uk.

Members and senior staff are requested to disclose all related party transactions, including instances where their close family has made such transactions.

Related party	Connected party	2020/21	2019/20	Detail of transaction
		£	£	
City of London Corporation	The Trustee of the charity	355,471	354,488	Match-funding up to a maximum of 2.5% of tuition fee income
Charities Pool	The Trustee of the charity	169,785	155,820	Distribution from the Charities Pool
City of London Corporation	The Trustee of the charity	(5,508)	(2,754)	Bursary administration costs

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATION DETAILS

CHARITY NAMES & NUMBERS: City of London School for Girls Bursary Fund (276251; charity 1) incorporating City of London School for Girls Scholarships and Prizes Fund (276251-5; charity 2).

PRINCIPAL OFFICE OF THE CHARITY & THE CITY CORPORATION:

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TRUSTEE:

The Mayor and Commonalty & Citizens of the City of London

SENIOR MANAGEMENT:

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John Barradell OBE - The Town Clerk and Chief Executive of the City of London Corporation

Treasurer

Caroline Al-Beyerty - The Chamberlain & Chief Financial Officer of the City of London Corporation (appointed 1 May 2021)

Dr Peter Kane – The Chamberlain of the City of London Corporation (retired 30 April 2021)

Solicitor

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