Annual Report and Financial Statements
Year Ended 31 July 2014

## REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 2014

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### REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

### Reference and administrative information

Charity Name: Cardiff University

Charity Registration Number: 1136855

Registered Office: Main Building

Cathays Park Cardiff CF10 3AT

#### **Members of Council**

Chair: Mr D John Jeans

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Vice-Chancellor: Professor C Riordan

Deputy Vice-Chancellor: Professor E Treasure

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Professor AJ Whitley

Professor E Wilding [wef 190514]

All of those persons listed above served as Charity Trustees throughout the period covered by this Report. Unless otherwise indicated they also occupied these positions on the date on which the Report was approved.

### TRUSTEES REPORT - OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW

#### **Scope of the Financial Statements**

The financial statements for the year ended 31 July 2014 consolidate the results of the University and its subsidiary company University College Cardiff Consultants Limited.

#### Results for the Year

The University's consolidated income and expenditure results for the year to 31 July 2014, together with comparative figures for 2012/13, are summarised as follows:

	£000	£000
Income Expenditure	455,731 (430,404)	436,685 (426,817)
Surplus for the Year after Depreciation	(	<u> </u>
of Assets and before exceptional item	25,327	9,868
Exceptional item – Voluntary Severance payments		(7,885)
Surplus for the Year after Depreciation		
of Assets and after exceptional item	25,327	1,983
Transfer from Accumulated Income within Endowments	<u>1,055</u>	<u>517</u>
Surplus retained within General Reserves	<u>26,382</u>	<u>2,500</u>
Historical Cost Surplus	28,708	<u>5,332</u>

The 2013/14 surplus was substantially greater than the budgeted figure of M£15 and reflects sizeable underspending on both staff and non-staff budgets.

Income increased by M£19.0 (4.4%) compared to the previous year due to an increase in income from tuition fees (M£34.0) and research grants (M£5.3) partly offset by a reduction in income from HEFCW (M£13.3) and from other income (M£7.3).

Expenditure before the 2013 exceptional item increased by only M£3.6 (0.8%) compared to the previous year mainly reflecting an increase in academic expenditure of M£3.3.

### **Key Financial Performance Indicators**

The University monitors its key financial performance indicators and compares these against the Russell Group of research led universities in the UK. The latest available information relating to Russell Group universities indicates that Cardiff's ratios are broadly in line with its comparators as outlined in the table below:-

Financial Ratios	Cardiff			Russell Group Universities 12/13
	11/12	12/13	13/14	Median
Total Income - M£	426	437	456	471
Operating Surplus – M£	8	10	25	15
Staff Costs – M£	250	249	253	249
% of Income	59	57	56	53
Research Income – M£	88	88	94	113
% of Income	21	20	21	23

#### TRUSTEES REPORT - OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Council has a reasonable expectation that the University has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, the University continues to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

#### **Investment Performance & Cash Flow**

The University's investments have been managed within a framework that limits exposure to an individual counterparty and spreads risk amongst highly rated assets while, at the same time, ensuring the objectives of the University can be met through sufficient liquidity. The University policy is to protect the capital value of its short term deposits through its prudent investment management policy.

The University held M£172 with investment managers as at 31 July 2014. The annual return on these assets was 0.35% for Invesco and 0.36% for Fidelity against benchmarks of 0.44% and 0.35% respectively.

The University's endowment assets - totalling M£27.5 as at 31 July 2014 - achieved an annual return of 6.3% which exceeded the agreed benchmark of 4.6%.

#### IP Group plc

Shares held in Fusion IP plc were disposed of during the year in return for shares in IP Group plc. The company was given the same rights previously given to Fusion IP to commercially develop current and future research-generated intellectual property at Cardiff University. The value of shares in IP Group plc as at 31 July 2014 was M£8.9 (Fusion IP M£6.5 as at 31 July 2013).

#### **Pension Schemes**

The University's clinical, academic and related staff are members of either the NHS Superannuation Scheme or the Universities Superannuation Scheme and the cost is recognised in the accounts only to the extent of the employer contributions.

Non-academic and non-clinical staff participate in the Cardiff University Pension Fund (CUPF) and the Local Government Scheme (LGS). The combined liability as calculated for the purposes of FRS 17 on both of these schemes was M£35.5 as at 31 July 2014 (M£45.9 at 31 July 2013). The reason for this reduction comes from both CUPF and LGS where the net liability has decreased by M£5.8 and M£4.6 respectively due to the actuarial gains on the assets outweighing the increase in liabilities.

### **Future Developments**

During 2013/14, the University continued to invest in the construction of new buildings, major refurbishments and support infrastructure. A review of the future estate infrastructure requirements is nearing completion which will produce a masterplan.

During the year, building work on a new Graduate Building for the Business School and a new student residence building at Talybont progressed and was completed in September 2014. In addition, the introduction of a new HR and Payroll system completed its second stage of implementation.

#### Outlook

The University created a significant surplus in 2013/14. In order to meet its ambitious investment programme, it will need to continue to generate substantial surpluses at a time when the pressure on income stream is increasing. The next few years will be challenging in this regard but is achievable through the efforts of its staff and stakeholders.

G Treharne – Vice-Chair of Council Date 15th December 2014

#### CORPORATE GOVERNANCE STATEMENT

The University is committed to exhibiting best practice in all aspects of corporate governance. This summary describes the manner in which the University has applied the principles set out in Section 1 of the UK Corporate Governance Code (2010) issued by the Financial Reporting Council. Its purpose is to help the reader of the Financial Statements understand how the principles have been applied.

The Council is responsible for the University's system of internal control and for reviewing its effectiveness. Such a system is designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve business objectives and can only provide reasonable and not absolute assurance against material misstatement or loss.

The University has developed a new framework for risk management, and a new risk management policy was adopted by the Governance Committee and the Policy and Resources Committee in May 2013. The new policy incorporates recommended best practice and accords with the internal control guidance for directors on the UK Corporate Governance Code (2010) as deemed appropriate for higher education. A corporate strategic risk register has been developed, based upon the University's strategic priorities and risks identified by Colleges and Professional Services Leadership Team. Further development is planned. Council, through the Audit Committee, receives regular reports on internal control and compliance across the University; the internal audit programme is based on an assessment of areas of priority and risk using the new framework and the strategic priorities identified in *The Way Forward*.

In line with the Committee of University Chairmen's Guide, the Council receives a report which updates progress towards the University's key strategic outcomes and objectives and also undertakes an annual review of the effectiveness of the Council.

The University's Council meets five times a year and has several committees, including Policy and Resources Committee, a Governance Committee, a Remuneration Committee and an Audit Committee. All of these Committees are formally constituted with terms of reference.

In respect of its strategic and development responsibilities, the Council receives recommendations and advice from the Policy and Resources Committee which is a standing committee of the Council, and from the Senate, the body responsible for the University's academic affairs.

The Policy and Resources Committee manages, monitors and regulates the finances, accounts and investments of the University within the overall policy laid down by the Council.

The Governance Committee advises Council on matters relating to governance and on the level of compliance by the University with the mandatory requirements of legislation and other regulations. Furthermore, the Governance Committee seeks out and recommends new lay and co-opted members to serve on the Council itself, and its subcommittees, in the light of the optimum skills and competencies required. Lay members form the majority of Council members.

The Remuneration Committee determines the remuneration of the most senior staff, including the Vice-Chancellor.

The Audit Committee met five times in 2013-14, with the University's internal auditors in attendance at all meetings and the external auditors present for consideration of the annual Financial Statements and management letter as well as the annual audit plan. The Committee considers detailed reports together with recommendations for the improvement of the University's systems of internal control as well as management responses and implementation plans. It also receives and considers reports from HEFCW, the Wales Audit Office and Research Councils UK as they affect the University's business and monitors adherence to the regulatory requirements. The Vice-Chancellor and other senior executives are not members of the Committee and may attend meetings by invitation.

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### PUBLIC BENEFIT STATEMENT

In the preparation of this statement the Council of the University has had regard for the guidance issued by the Charity Commission.

Cardiff University is a registered charity (no 1136855). Its Royal Charter, first granted in 1884, sets out its constitutional arrangements and its objects. Embodied within the objects are such fundamental principles as the advancement of education, including the University's power to conduct research, to teach, examine, and award degrees. They also contain obligations to develop the character of the students, to promote health and welfare, especially in Wales and generally to contribute to social, cultural and economic development. The University is a member of the group of research intensive universities, the Russell Group, and exists to create and share knowledge and to educate for the benefit of all. Cardiff University sees fundamental research both as an essential to human aspiration and as critical to the development of cultural artefacts, technologies and services to improve the quality of life for all. Its research reputation is one of the principal factors in staff and student recruitment.

The University's strategic aims are set out in 'The Way Forward 2012 – 2017' and are summarised below.

#### Research and Innovation

Cardiff's aim is to be firmly positioned in the top ten UK universities. Through its research, which includes the establishment of a number of University research institutes, including the European Cancer Stem Cell Institute, the University will tackle critical global issues that require cross disciplinary co-operation. It is also establishing itself as an Innovation University that acts as a magnet for participants and for funding whilst reinforcing our civic responsibilities. In this way we are equipping our graduates with entrepreneurial capacity so that they can contribute to the growth of the knowledge economy. We will ensure that our research has global impact by tackling the grand challenges of our time.

#### Education

The University educates our students to the highest standards and supports them through the transition to independent learning. The student experience is based on excellence where students actively participate in their learning experience and benefit from an environment of top quality research and scholarship. We are increasing the employability of our students by investing in a "Languages for All" programme and by offering increased opportunities, through the Global Opportunities Centre, to students to spend time overseas whether in study or as volunteers.

The University's students are drawn from a variety of backgrounds, with students attracted from throughout Wales, the rest of the UK and worldwide and supported by a range of targeted scholarships and bursaries to ensure fair access for all. In 2013/14 we invested £3.3million in scholarships and bursaries.

### International

The University's international activities range from our collaborations with business and education partners all over the world to the enormous contribution that international students make to the social and cultural life of the University. Cardiff also attracts the highest calibre of researchers from around the world. International students are welcomed from 100 different countries and account for some 18% of the total student population.

#### **Engagement**

The University demonstrates its commitment to the communities of Cardiff and Wales through knowledge exchange projects that directly and indirectly help those who do not traditionally engage with the University. One example is the Strong Communities, Healthier People project which works directly with people in Merthyr Tydfil and Cardiff. We also welcome the public at many of our events and activities, The University's students continue in their thousands to support local community projects and activities through Student Volunteering Cardiff.

Promoting health and welfare is an important role of the University and one which is fulfilled via a strongly interdisciplinary and multi-partnership approach. Central among the University's partners are the University Health Boards in Wales who provide not only clinical training for students but also are essential collaborators in conducting clinically based research.

As a major presence within Cardiff, both as employer and educator, the University's relationship with the City is also particularly important and it is committed to maintaining and further developing a mutually beneficial relationship with the community of which we are such an important and integral part.

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Cardiff University is registered charity number 1136855.

## RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COUNCIL OF CARDIFF UNIVERSITY

In accordance with the University's Charter of Incorporation, the Council is responsible for the administration and management of the affairs of the University, including ensuring an effective system of internal control, and is required to present audited Financial Statements for each financial year.

The Council is responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the University and its subsidiaries and to enable it to ensure that the Financial Statements are prepared in accordance with the University's Charter of Incorporation, the Accounts Direction issued by HEFCW, the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting for Further and Higher Education Institutions and other relevant accounting standards. In addition, within the terms and conditions of a Financial Memorandum agreed between HEFCW and the Council of the University, the Council, through its designated office holder, is required to prepare Financial Statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the University and its subsidiaries and of the surplus or deficit, total recognised gains and losses and cash flows for that year.

In preparing these Financial Statements, the Council has ensured that:

- suitable accounting policies are selected and applied consistently;
- judgements and estimates are made that are reasonable and prudent;
- applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the Financial Statements;
- Financial Statements are prepared on the going concern basis. The Council is satisfied that it has adequate resources to continue in operation for the foreseeable future: for this reason the going concern basis continues to be adopted in the preparation of the Financial Statements.

The Council has taken reasonable steps to:

- ensure that funds from HEFCW, Welsh Government and other Funding Bodies are used only for the purposes for which they have been given and in accordance with the Financial Memorandum with HEFCW and any other conditions which HEFCW or Funding Body may from time to time prescribe;
- ensure that there are appropriate financial and management controls in place to safeguard public funds and funds from other sources;
- safeguard the assets of the University and its subsidiaries and prevent and detect fraud;
- secure the economical, efficient and effective management of the resources and expenditure of the University and its subsidiaries.

The key elements of the University's system of internal financial control, which is designed to discharge the responsibilities set out above, include the following:

- clear definitions of the responsibilities of, and the authority delegated to, heads of academic schools and administrative departments;
- planning process, supplemented by detailed annual income, expenditure, capital and cash flow budgets, the overall budget being approved by the Council;
- regular reviews of financial results involving variance reporting and updates of forecast outturns;
- clearly defined and formalised requirements for approval and control of expenditure;
- comprehensive Financial Regulations, detailing financial controls and procedures, approved by the Audit Committee and the Council;
- Internal Audit team whose annual programme is approved by the Audit Committee and endorsed by the Council.

## RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COUNCIL OF CARDIFF UNIVERSITY

Any system of internal financial control can, however, provide only reasonable, but not absolute, assurance against material misstatement or loss.

On behalf of the Council

Professor Colin Riordan Accounting Officer Date 15th December 2014

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT TO THE GOVERNING BODY OF CARDIFF UNIVERSITY (THE 'INSTITUTION')

#### REPORT ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### Our opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements, defined below:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the group's and the parent institution's affairs as at 31 July 2014, and of the group's income and expenditure, recognised gains and losses and cash flows, for the year then ended:
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting for Further and Higher Education; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the Accounts Direction issued by the Welsh Government.

This opinion is to be read in the context of what we say in the remainder of this report.

#### What we have audited

The group financial statements and parent institution financial statements (the "financial statements"), which are prepared by Cardiff University comprise:

- the consolidated and parent institution Balance Sheets as at 31 July 2014;
- the consolidated Income and Expenditure Account for the year then ended;
- the consolidated Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses for the year then ended;
- the consolidated Statement of Cash Flows for the year then ended; and
- the notes to the financial statements, which include other explanatory information.

The financial reporting framework that has been applied in its preparation is the Statement of Recommended Practice for Further and Higher Education, incorporating United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice. In applying the financial reporting framework, the Governing Body has made a number of subjective judgements, for example in respect of significant accounting estimates. In making such estimates, it has made assumptions and considered future events.

## What an audit of financial statements involves

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) ("ISAs (UK & Ireland)"). An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of:

- whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the group and parent institution's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed;
- the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Governing Body; and
- the overall presentation of the financial statements.

In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Trustees Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

## INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT TO THE GOVERNING BODY OF CARDIFF UNIVERSITY (THE 'INSTITUTION')

## OPINIONS ON OTHER MATTERS PRESCRIBED IN THE FURTHER EDUCATION AUDIT CODE OF PRACTICE ISSUED BY THE WELSH GOVERNMENT

In our opinion, in all material respects:

- monies expended out of Welsh Government grants and other funds from whatever source administered by the Institution for specific purposes have been properly applied to those purposes and, if appropriate, managed in compliance with all relevant legislation; and
- income has been applied in accordance with the financial memorandum with the Welsh Government.

### RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND THE AUDIT

#### Respective responsibilities of the Governing Body and auditors

As explained more fully in the Statement of Responsibilities of the Council of Cardiff University set out on page 8, the Governing Body are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practices Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

This report, including the opinions, has been prepared for and only for the institution's Governing Body as a body in accordance with Article 18 of the University's articles of government and for no other purpose. We do not, in giving these opinions, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or into whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP Chartered Accountants and Statutory Auditors Cardiff

Date: 15th December 2014

- (a) The maintenance and integrity of the Cardiff University's website is the responsibility of the Governing Body; the work carried out by the auditors does not involve consideration of these matters and, accordingly, the auditors accept no responsibility for any changes that may have occurred to the financial statements since they were initially presented on the website.
- (b) Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of the financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

# CONSOLIDATED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT Year ended 31 July 2014

	Note	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
INCOME			
Funding Body Grants	2	82,318	95,639
Tuition fees and support grants	3	192,784	158,828
Research grants and contracts	4	93,550	88,211
Other income	5	83,617	90,963
Endowment and investment income	6	3,462	3,044
Total Income		455,731	436,685
EXPENDITURE			
Staff costs	7	253,376	249,121
Other operating expenses	9	157,728	160,179
Depreciation	11	18,060	16,212
Interest and other finance costs	8	1,240	1,305
Total Expenditure	9	430,404	426,817
Surplus on continuing operations after depreciation of assets at valuation and before exceptional item		25,327	9,868
Exceptional item – Voluntary Severance payments	18	(-)	(7,885)
Surplus on continuing operations after depreciation of assets at valuation and after exceptional item		25,327	1,983
Transfer from accumulated income in endowment funds		1,055	517
Surplus for the year retained within General Reserves	23	26,382	2,500
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# CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF HISTORICAL COST SURPLUSES Year ended 31 July 2014

	Note	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
Surplus on continuing operations after depreciation of assets at valuation and after exceptional item		25,327	1,983
Difference between historical cost depreciation charge and the actual depreciation charge for the year calculated on the revalued amount	22	3,381	3,349
Historical cost surplus retained for the year		28,708	5,332

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES Year ended 31 July 2014

	Note	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
Surplus on continuing operations after depreciation of			
assets at valuation and after exceptional item		25,327	1,983
New endowments	21	451	172
Appreciation of endowment asset			
investments	21	670	2,734
Actuarial gain on pension scheme	27	8,700	4,100
Appreciation of fixed asset investment	12	3,739	1,320
TOTAL DECOGNICED CAING			
TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS RELATING TO THE YEAR		38,887	10,309
Reconciliation Opening Reserves and Endowments		296,850	286,541
Total recognised gains for the year		38,887	10,309
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Closing Reserves and Endowments		335,737	296,850
Opening Deferred Capital Grants		120,444	116,326
Net (decrease)/increase in the year		(1,770)	4,118
Closing Deferred Capital Grants		118,674	120,444
Net Assets as at 31 July		454,411	417,294

## BALANCE SHEETS As at 31 July 2014

		Consc	<u>olidated</u>	Univer	<u>sity</u>
	Note	2014 £'000	2013 £'000	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets Investments	11 12	353,925 8,975	332,089 6,461	353,925 8,969	332,089 6,455
		362,900	338,550	362,894	338,544
ENDOWMENT ASSETS	13	27,536	27,470	27,536	27,470
CURRENT ASSETS Stocks Debtors Short-term deposits Cash at bank and in hand	14 15	188 40,333 172,323 1,280	222 42,005 173,792 4,333	188 40,753 172,262 1,280	222 42,454 173,436 4,333
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	16	214,124 (84,601)	220,352 (80,482)	214,483 (84,278)	220,445 (79,893)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		129,523	139,870	130,205	140,552
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		519,959	505,890	520,635	506,566
CREDITORS: amounts falling due after more than one year	17	(19,464)	(20,941)	(19,464)	(20,941)
PROVISIONS	18	-	(6,593)	-	(6,593)
OTHER DEFERRED INCOME	19	(10,584)	(15,162)	(10,584)	(15,162)
NET ASSETS: excluding net pension liability		489,911	463,194	490,587	463,870
NET PENSION LIABILITY	27	(35,500)	(45,900)	(35,500)	(45,900)
NET ASSETS: including net pension liability		454,411	417,294	455,087	417,970

## BALANCE SHEETS As at 31 July 2014 (Continued)

		Consolidated		<u>University</u>	
	Note	2014 £'000	2013 £'000	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
DEFERRED CAPITAL GRANTS	20	118,674	120,444	118,674	120,444
ENDOWMENTS					
Permanent	21	25,401	25,240	25,401	25,240
Expendable	21	2,135	2,230	2,135	2,230
		27,536	27,470	27,536	27,470
RESERVES					
Revaluation reserve	22	80,190	87,145	80,190	87,145
General reserve	23	263,511	228,135	264,187	228,811
Pension reserve	24	(35,500)	(45,900)	(35,500)	(45,900)
		308,201	269,380	308,877	270,056
TOTAL FUNDS		454,411	417,294	455,087	417,970

These financial statements on pages 12 to 40 were approved by the Council on 15th December 2014.

Signed on behalf of the Council

Professor Colin Riordan - Vice Chancellor

G Treharne - Vice-Chair of Council

D M Davies - Director of Finance

# **CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT** Year ended 31 July 2014

	Note	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
Net Cash inflow from operating activities	25	32,772	18,510
Returns on investments and servicing of finance Income from endowments Interest received Interest paid	21	729 1,333 (1,240)	710 1,974 (1,305)
Net cash inflow from returns on investments and servicing of finance		<u>822</u>	1,379
Capital expenditure and financial investment Payments to acquire tangible assets Payments to acquire endowment asset investments Receipts from sales of tangible assets Receipts from sales of endowment asset investments Deferred capital grants received New endowments  Net cash outflow from capital expenditure and financial investment	11 13 13 20 21	(39,896) (797) - 1,401 2,504 451 (36,337)	(20,880) (455) 281 800 983 172 (19,099)
Cash (outflow)/ inflow before management of liquid resources		(2,743)	790
Management of liquid resources Cash transferred from/(to) short term deposits		1,469	(1,615)
<b>Financing</b> Loan repayments in the year		(1,385)	(1,291)
Decrease in cash in the year	26	(2,659)	(2,116)

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 July 2014

#### 1. STATEMENT OF PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Basis of Preparation**

The Financial Statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, consistently applied and in accordance with Accounting Standards applicable in the United Kingdom and, in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting for Further and Higher Education Institutions (2007) ("SORP") and Charities Act 2011. Where relevant the Financial Statements adhere to the Accounting directives of HEFCW.

#### **Basis of Accounting**

These Financial Statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of Endowment Asset Investments, the investment in IP Group plc and certain fixed assets.

#### **Basis of Consolidation**

The consolidated Financial Statements consolidate the Financial Statements of the University and all its subsidiary undertakings for the financial year to 31 July but do not include those of the University Union or the Cardiff Partnership Fund Limited as the Council does not exercise control over their financial and operating activities. Uniform accounting policies are adopted throughout the Group.

## **Recognition of Income**

Income from Specific Endowments and Donations, Research Grants and Contracts and Other Services Rendered is included to the extent of the direct expenditure incurred during the year, together with any related contributions towards overhead costs. All income from short-term deposits and General Endowment Asset Investments is credited to the Income and Expenditure Account on a receivable basis. Specific Grants unspent are carried forward as Deferred Income.

Recurrent income from grants, contracts and other services rendered are accounted for on an accruals basis and included to the extent of the completion of the contract or service concerned; payments received in advance of such performance are recognised in the Balance Sheet as liabilities.

The gain recognised on the receipt of the Fusion IP plc shares is released from deferred income on a straight line basis over the 10 year life of the agreement. The shares held in Fusion IP plc were, however, disposed of during the year in return for shares in IP Group plc.

## **Provision for Doubtful Debts**

Provision is made for individual debts where recovery is thought to be in doubt based on historic experience.

#### Pension Schemes

The three principal defined benefit pension schemes for the University's staff are the Universities Superannuation Scheme (USS), the Cardiff University Pension Fund (CUPF), and the Local Government Scheme (LGS). The schemes are funded defined benefit schemes and are contracted out of the State Earnings-Related Pension Scheme. The funds are actuarially valued every three years by a professionally qualified actuary using either the aggregate method or the attained age method with the rates of contribution payable being determined by the scheme's trustees on the advice of the actuary.

In respect of the CUPF and LGS, the net asset or liability recognised in the balance sheet represents the present value of the defined benefit obligations less the fair value of the plan's assets. Plan assets are measured using closing market rates and the pension liabilities are measured using the projected unit method and discounted at the current rate of return on high quality corporate bonds of equivalent terms. The increase in the present value of the liability expected to arise from employee service in the year is charged to staff costs. The expected return on plan assets and the increase during the year in the present value of the scheme liabilities arising from the passage of time are charged as an interest expense. Actuarial gains and losses are recognised in the statement of total recognised gains and losses.

It is not possible to identify the University's share of the underlying assets and liabilities of the USS. Therefore, as permitted by FRS 17, the USS is accounted for as a defined contribution scheme with the contributions accruing being charged to staff costs during the year.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 July 2014

#### 1. STATEMENT OF PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT.)

In addition, the National Health Service (NHS) Superannuation Scheme is in operation for certain staff. The NHS scheme is an unfunded defined contribution scheme, with pension benefits being paid out of contributions received in the year and contribution rates determined by HM Treasury.

#### **Foreign Currencies**

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are recorded at the rate of exchange ruling at the dates of the transactions. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at year-end rates and the resulting exchange differences are included in the determination of the deficit or surplus for the year.

#### Leases

Finance leases, which are leases that give substantially the same rights as ownership, relating to significant items of plant, machinery and vehicles have been capitalised and depreciated in accordance with the University's depreciation policy, subject to a maximum period of the term of the lease. The capital element of future lease payments is included in other creditors. The interest element of leasing payments represents a constant proportion of the capital balance outstanding and is charged to the income and expenditure account over the period of the lease.

Rental income and costs under operating leases are credited and charged to income and expenditure respectively in equal annual amounts over the periods of the leases.

### **Land and Buildings**

The University has complied with the provisions of FRS15 (Tangible Fixed Assets) and has retained Land and Buildings at their net book value (subject to the requirement to review annually for impairment). The last valuation of the Cathays Park site was in July 1998 by Gerald Eve, Chartered Surveyors. The valuation of leasehold property on the Cardiff & Vale University Health Board site was carried out by the Valuation Office Agency Cardiff and the valuation of other former University of Wales College of Medicine property was performed by Burnett Davies, Chartered Surveyors.

Formerly, the basis of valuation for non-specialised freehold and for non-specialised leasehold properties was the open market value for the existing use; for specialised freehold and specialised long-leasehold properties, the basis of valuation was the depreciated replacement cost - this value has now been fixed. Land is held freehold and is not depreciated as it is considered to have an indefinite useful life.

Buildings are depreciated over their expected useful lives of 50 years and leasehold land over the life of the lease up to a maximum of 50 years. Major refurbishments that enhance the value of buildings are capitalised and depreciated over 15 years. Assets under construction are not depreciated until commissioned.

Where buildings are acquired with the aid of specific grants, they are capitalised and depreciated as above. The related grants are treated as deferred capital grants and released to income over the expected useful life of the buildings.

The University adheres to the HEFCW Financial Memorandum whereby approval of HEFCW must be obtained before a transaction is entered into affecting property built or developed with grants funded from Treasury Sources.

#### Equipment

Equipment costing less than £10,000 per individual item or group of related items is written off in the year of acquisition. All other equipment is capitalised with the exception of equipment funded from Research Grants which costs under £50,000 which is also written off in the year of acquisition.

Capitalised equipment is stated at cost and depreciated over its expected useful life of four years. Assets under construction are not depreciated until brought into use.

Equipment costing over £50,000 and funded by Research Grants is capitalised and depreciated over the lesser of the above and the remaining years of the project. The related grants are treated as deferred capital grants and released to income over the expected useful life of the equipment.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 July 2014

### 1. STATEMENT OF PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONT.)

#### Capital grants and contributions

Capital grants and contributions received by the University to finance the construction or purchase of capital assets are accounted for as deferred capital grants and released to the income and expenditure account over the expected useful life of the related assets.

#### Investments

Endowment Asset Investments are included in the Balance Sheet at market value as are Fixed Asset Investments including IP Group plc shares. The University has adopted FRS26 'Financial instruments: Recognition and measurement' and, as a result, the movement in the value of the IP Group plc shares is carried out as a credit to the revaluation reserve via the statement of recognised gains and losses. A diminution in value would be charged to the income and expenditure account as a debit to the extent it is not covered by a previous revaluation surplus. Investments in subsidiary undertakings are shown at the lower of cost or net realisable value.

#### Stocks

The stocks are central chemical stocks and trading consumables of Catering and the Works Unit. They are valued at the lower of cost or net realisable value.

#### **Maintenance of Premises**

The University has a rolling maintenance plan which is reviewed on an annual basis. The cost of routine corrective maintenance is charged to the income and expenditure account as incurred.

## **Taxation Status**

The University is a registered charity within the meaning of Chapter 1 Section 3 of the Charities Act 2011 and as such is a charity within the meaning of Section 6 to the Finance Act 2010. Accordingly, the University is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Section 478-488 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that such income or gains are applied to exclusively charitable purposes for public benefit.

All subsidiary companies are liable to Corporation Tax and Value Added Tax (VAT). The University's principal activities are exempt from VAT but certain ancillary supplies and services are liable to VAT at various rates. Expenditure includes irrecoverable VAT charged by suppliers to the University. The University does not have to pay Stamp Duty Land Tax when buying and leasing a property.

### **Cash and Liquid Resources**

Short-term cash deposits with recognised banks, building societies and government securities, which can be called on demand or without notice and without any material penalty, are included within cash balances within the consolidated balance sheet and consolidated cash flow statements.

#### **Provisions**

Provisions are recognised when the institution has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required to settle the obligation and a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 July 2014

## 2. FUNDING BODY GRANTS

		Note	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
	Recurrent grant Specific grants:		68,937	76,183
	- Academic Infrastructure		400	1,932
	- Learning & Teaching Support		216	516
	- Science Research Investment Fund			129
	- Innovation & Engagement		625	1,935
	- Supplementary Funds		2,264	3,694
	- Clinical Pay Award		800	1,400
	- Widening Access		198	895
	- Graduate Entry Scheme		2,100	2,051
	- Welsh for Adults		1,653	1,661
	Release of deferred capital grants: Buildings	20	3,764	3,776
	Equipment	20	1,361	1,467
			82,318	95,639
3.	TUITION FEES AND SUPPORT GRANTS			
			2014	2013
			£'000	£'000
	UK and European Union Undergraduate		92,177	68,656
	UK and European Union Postgraduate		10,385	9,622
	Overseas (inc. part-time)		56,691	48,060
	Part Time (UK and European Union)		5,045	4,740
			164,298	131,078
	Education contracts		14,036	12,917
	Research training support grants		6,442	6,899
	Non-Credit bearing fees		8,008	7,934
			192,784	158,828

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 July 2014

## 4. RESEARCH GRANTS AND CONTRACTS

			2014 £'000	2013 £'000
	Research Councils		22,301	22,866
	UK-based charities		19,517	18,382
	UK Government bodies		29,123	26,810
	UK Industry		5,370	4,955
	European Commission		12,007	9,809
	Overseas		4,782	5,163
	Other grants and contracts		450	226
			93,550	88,211
5.	OTHER INCOME			
٥.	OTHER INCOME	Note	2014	2013
		Note	£'000	£'000
	Residences, catering and conferences Other services rendered:		22,513	20,571
	UK Central Government		31,548	36,551
	UK Health Authorities		9,195	11,157
	UK Industry		1,471	1,291
	European Union		989	2,582
	Overseas		950	681
	UK Universities		389	390
	Other Sources		9,525	7,260
	Profit on disposal of fixed assets		0	241
	Rents Receivable		127	101
	Exempt VAT recoverable		519	843
	Donations and Subventions		252	1,081
	Other income		4,110	6,184
	Fusion IP plc Investment Release Released from Deferred Capital Grants	20	1,594 435	1,594 436
			83,617	90,963
6.	ENDOWMENT AND INVESTMENT INCOM	E		
		Note	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
	Income from permanent endowments	21	680	654
	Income from expendable endowments	21	49	56
	Interest receivable		1,333	1,534
	Interest element of pension cost		1,400	800
			3,462	3,044

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 July 2014

## 7. STAFF COSTS

Note	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
Staff costs	~ 000	~ 000
Wages and salaries	203,535	200,661
Social security costs	16,263	16,362
Other pension costs 27	33,578	32,098
	253,376	249,121
The above figures exclude payments made to staff on behalf of the National Health	Service.	
Emplyments of the Vice Chancellon, Colony (i)	238	216
Emoluments of the Vice Chancellor – Salary (i) Pension	238 31	216 34
Benefits in kind	2	2
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	271	252
(i) The figure for 2012/13 is for 11 months following the commencement of the new Vice Chancellor.		
Remuneration paid to Trustees in total for expenses	7	5
No Trustee receives payments for serving.		
Average staff numbers by major category	2014 Number (FTE's)	2013 Number (FTE's)
Clinical and non-clinical academic and academic related	3,607	3,676
Technical services	213	222
Administrative support	939	939
Operational services	363	325
	5,122	5,162

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 July 2014

## 7. STAFF COSTS (continued)

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Remuneration of higher paid staff excludes employer's pension contributions and payments made on behalf of the National Health Service in respect of its contractual obligations to University staff under separate National Health Service contracts of employment (for example distinction awards) which are also excluded from the University's income and expenditure account. This treatment is in accordance with the Accounts Direction issued by the Higher Education Funding Council for Wales.

The list is drawn up on a different basis from previously where employer's pension contributions were included. Prior-year figures have been restated on the new basis.

	2014 Number	
£100,000 - £109,999	56	48
£110,000 - £119,999	30	19
£120,000 - £129,999	16	26
£130,000 - £139,999	11	6
£140,000 - £149,999	7	7
£150,000 - £159,999	3	
£160,000 - £169,999	2	3
£170,000 - £179,999	1	2
£180,000 - £189,999	2	1
£210,000 - £219,999	-	. 1
£250,000 - £259,999	1	
	129	114
	payable to higher £'000	
Compensation for loss of office paid employees  Compensation payable – 5 employee	payable to higher £'000	£'000
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# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 July 2014

## 9. ANALYSIS OF EXPENDITURE BY ACTIVITY

	Staff costs £'000	Other operating expenses £'000	Interest Payable £'000	Total 2014 £'000	Total 2013 £'000
Academic departments	146,574	47,892	-	194,466	191,197
Academic services	14,282	7,557	-	21,839	22,741
Research grants and contracts	35,593	33,753	-	69,346	66,242
Other services rendered	20,954	25,513	-	46,467	51,038
Residences, catering and conferences	5,300	6,916	1,240	13,456	15,535
Premises	6,781	19,504	-	26,285	25,857
Administration and central services	18,126	5,093	-	23,219	21,726
Other expenses	6,066	11,500	-	17,566	17,569
FRS 17 pension fund adjustments	(300)			(300)	(1,300)
Total per income and expenditure account	253,376	157,728	1,240	412,344	410,605
Depreciation (note 11)				18,060	16,212
Total per Income and Expenditure Account				430,404	426,817
				2014	2013
Other expenses include:					<b></b>
Auditors' remuneration – external audit				54	52
– audit-related servi	ces			28	38
– other tax services					1

## 10. SURPLUS ON CONTINUING OPERATIONS FOR THE YEAR

The surplus on continuing operations after depreciation of assets at valuation and after exceptional item is made up as follows:

	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
University surplus for the year Surplus incurred by subsidiary undertakings	25,327	1,983
	25,327	1,983

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 July 2014

## 11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

### Consolidated and University

	La	Land and Buildings			
	Freehold £'000	Long leasehold £'000	Assets in the Course of Construction £'000	£'000	Total £'000
Cost or valuation		• • • • • • • •			
At 1 August 2013	230,230	214,688	5,680	71,746	522,344
Additions at cost Disposals (i)	605	993	27,479	10,819 (2,361)	39,896 (2,361)
Projects Completed	5,068	1,378	(6,446)	(2,301)	(2,301)
At 31 July 2014	235,903	217,059	26,713	80,204	559,879
Valuation	122,211	115,700	-		237,911
Cost	113,692	101,359	26,713	80,204	321,968
	235,903	217,059	26,713	80,204	559,879
Accumulated Depreciation					
At 1 August 2013	59,282	66,710	_	64,263	190,255
Charge for year	5,451	6,528	-	6,081	18,060
Eliminated on Disposal				(2,361)	(2,361)
At 31 July 2014	64,733	73,238		67,983	205,954
Net book value					
At 31 July 2014	171.170	143,821	26,713	12,221	353,925
At 31 July 2013	170,948	147,978	5,680	7,483	332,089
Financed By:					
Funding Council	59,877	35,187	-	1,615	96,679
Endowments/Donations	736	1,657	-	-	2.393
Loans	17,194	17,220	-	-	34,414
Revaluation	21,907	51,192	26.712	-	73,099
Other Capital	71,456	38,565	26,713	10,606	147,340
Net book value at 31 July 2014	171,170	143,821	26,713	12,221	353,925

<sup>(</sup>i) Disposal of equipment is assumed after 10 years.

<sup>(</sup>ii) Certain buildings have been funded from Treasury sources at a cost of K£136,201 (2013 K£128,859). Should these particular buildings be sold, the University would use the proceeds in accordance with the Financial Memorandum with HEFCW.

<sup>(</sup>iii) Note 1 outlines details of the land and buildings valuations.

<sup>(</sup>iv) Freehold land and buildings includes non-depreciated land of K£20,881 (2013 K£20,881).

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 July 2014

#### 12. FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

	Consolidated		Univer	<u>sity</u>	
	Other Invest- ments	Total	Other Invest- ments	Total	
	£000's	£000's	£000's	£000's	
Balance at 1 August 2013	6,461	6,461	6,455	6,455	
Appreciation recognised in year	3,739	3,739	3,739	3,739	
Disposals	(10,118)	(10,118)	(10,118)	(10,118)	
Additions	10,350	10,350	10,350	10,350	
Impairment recognised in year	(1,457)	(1,457)	(1,457)	(1,457)	
Balance at 31 July 2014	8,975	8,975	8,969 	8,969	

The Council members believe that the carrying value of the investments is supported by their underlying net assets.

The University has an interest in the following companies:

## University College Cardiff Consultants Limited (UC3)

UC3, a company limited by guarantee, has been included in the consolidated Financial Statements. The company's principal activity is the commercialisation of the intellectual property and other outputs of research generated by the academic schools of the University. The company is also responsible for the University's interests through shareholdings in a number of spin-off companies arising from the University's research and other operations.

## Cardiff Partnership Fund Limited

The University owns a 100% interest in the Cardiff Partnership Fund Limited, the holding company of the unincorporated Cardiff Partnership Fund Limited Partnership. This company is not consolidated on the basis that the University does not exercise control over the activities that rest with an independent board. The company has no trading activities and net assets of £20,277 at 31 July 2014 (£20,125 at July 2013).

## IP Group plc

In 2006/07, a ten-year deal was signed with Fusion IP plc giving the company the right to commercially develop current and future research-generated intellectual property (IP) at Cardiff University. In return, the University received AIM-listed shares which were held at market value within Investments. The University had 10.05% of the share-holding.

Subsequently, in March 2014, the shares held by the University in Fusion IP plc were disposed of in return for shares in IP Group plc who were given the same rights previously given to Fusion IP. The value of shares in IP Group plc as at 31 July 2014 was M£8.9 (Fusion IP M£6.5 as at 31 July 2013).

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 July 2014

## 13. ENDOWMENT ASSETS

Consolidated and University		
2014 £'000	2013 £'000	
27,470	25,081	
797	455	
(970)	(302)	
(431)	(498)	
670	2,734	
27,536	27,470	
3,844	3,986	
17,274	16,935	
3,297	3,728	
3,121	2,821	
27,536	27,470	
19,507	19,238	
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## 14. STOCKS

	Consolidated and U	Consolidated and University		
	2014 £'000	2013 £'000		
Residences and Catering Maintenance	104 84	112 110		
	188	222		

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 July 2014

## 15. DEBTORS

	Consolidated		<u>University</u>	
	2014	2013	2014	2013
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Amounts falling due within one year:				
Debtors:				
Fees	2,635	1,991	2,635	1,991
Research	25,693	26,416	25,693	26,416
NHS Distinction Awards	407	311	407	311
Accommodation	518	130	518	130
Miscellaneous	11,417	14,931	11,237	14,780
Less; provision for impairment	(650)	(1,956)	(650)	(1,956)
	40.020	41.022	20.040	41.670
	40,020	41,823	39,840	41,672
Prepayments	313	182	313	182
Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings	<u>-</u>			
	40,333	42,005	40,153	41,854
Amounts falling due after more than one year:				
Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings (i)			600	600
Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings (1)	<del>-</del>			
Total Debtors	40,333	42,005	40,753	42,454

<sup>(</sup>i) The amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings falling due after more than one year are unsecured and interest-free. There is no fixed date of repayment but are repayable on demand.

As at 31 July 2014, the provision for impairment of debtors was aged as follows:

71
213
1,672
1,956
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## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 July 2014

## 15. DEBTORS (continued)

Movement on the provision for impairment of debtors is as follows:

	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
At 1 August	1,956	2,557
Debtors written off during the year	(39)	(260)
Provision adjustments (i)	(1,267)	(341)
At 31 July	650	1,956

As at 31 July 2014, debtors past their due date but not impaired were aged as follows:

	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
Less than 3 months past due Over 3 months past due	4,505 1,038	3,528 791
	5,543	4,319

<sup>(</sup>i) The Provision adjustment in 2014 reflects the fundamental review of outstanding debtors as at 31 July 2014 and a change in the methodology that calculates the provision required.

## 16. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

<u>Consolidated</u>		<u>University</u>	
2014	2013	2014	2013
£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
-	394	-	394
6,887	6,450	6,487	5.979
5,558	6,141	5,558	6,141
5,802	5,882	5,783	5,771
18,539	9,306	18,503	9,299
36,094	40,707	36,094	40,707
10,244	10,217	10,244	10,217
777	685	777	685
700	700	700	700
	=	132	-
84,601	80,482	84,278	79,893
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<sup>(</sup>i) The bank overdraft is secured on the University's current accounts by Letter of Set Off over credit balances.

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 July 2014

#### 17. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	Consolidated		University	
	2014	2013	2014	2013
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Lloyds Bank Loan (i)	12,289	13,066	12,289	13,066
Royal Bank of Scotland Loan (ii)	7,175	7,875	7,175	7,875
	19,464	20,941	19,464	20,941

(i) Lloyds Bank originally advanced M£17 to the University to finance the cost of student residences. The loan is secured on Talybont South and is repayable by 28 February 2024 on a reducing balance method as follows:

Within one year	K£777
Between two and five years	K£4,191
Over five years	K£8,098

Interest is payable on the loan at 8.868% and is charged to Interest Payable (Note 8)

(ii) Royal Bank of Scotland originally advanced M£14.0 to the University to finance the cost of Talybont Court. The loan is secured on Talybont Court and is repayable by 1 October 2025 by equal instalments of M£0.7 as follows:

Within one year	K£700
Between two and five years	K£2,800
Over five years	K£4,375

Interest is payable on the loan at 0.225% above Base Rate and is charged to Interest Payable (Note 8).

### 18. PROVISIONS

	Consolidated and	<u>University</u>
	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
Voluntary Severance Scheme		6,593

As part of the University's cost reduction programme, a voluntary severance and early retirement programme was implemented in 2012/13. The provision of K£6,593 was in respect of 2013/14 commitments. Nothing further has been charged in the current year.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 July 2014

## 19. OTHER DEFERRED INCOME

	Consolidated and University		
	2014 £'000	2013 £'000	
Academic Infrastructure Grants	727	1,119	
Learning and Teaching Support Grants	313	406	
Supplementary Funds	5,128	7,572	
Other Deferred Grants	197	197	
Fusion IP plc Deferred Income	3,194	4,788	
Student Fees received in advance	1,025	1,080	
	10,584	15,162	

## 20. DEFERRED CAPITAL GRANTS

	<u>(</u>	Consolidated and University		
	Funding Council £'000	Other grants/ beneficiaries £'000	Total £'000	
As at 1 August 2013				
Buildings	93,086	24,039	117,125	
Equipment	2,138	1,181	3,319	
Total	95,224	25,220	120,444	
Transferred from deferred income				
Buildings	1,566	-	1,566	
Equipment	1,120	<u> </u>	1,120	
Total	2,686		2,686	
Cash received				
Buildings	-	-	-	
Equipment	494	2,010	2,504	
Total	494	2,010	2,504	
Released to income and expenditure				
Buildings (Note 2/Note 5)	(3,764)	(435)	(4,199)	
Equipment (Note 2)	(1,361)	(1,400)	(2,761)	
Total	(5,125)	(1,835)	(6,960)	
At 31 July 2014				
Buildings	90,888	23,604	114,492	
Equipment	2,391	1,791	4,182	
Total	93,279	25,395	118,674	

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 July 2014

## 21. ENDOWMENTS

				Consolidated and University			
	Unrestricted Permanent £'000	Restricted Permanent £'000	Total Permanent £'000	Restricted Expendable £'000	2014 Total £'000	2013 Total £'000	
Opening Balance							
Capital	1,712	14,209	15,921	2,265	18,186	16,192	
Accumulated Income	1,164	8,155	9,319	(35)	9,284	8,889	
	2,876	22,364	25,240	2,230	27,470	25,081	
New endowments	-	300	300	151	451	172	
Income for year	81	599	680	49	729	710	
Expenditure	(80)	(1,377)	(1,457)	(327)	(1,784)	(1,227)	
	1	(778)	(777)	(278)	(1,055)	(517)	
Increase in market value	62	576	638	32	670	2,734	
Closing Balance (Note 13)	2,939	22,462	25,401	2,135	27,536	27,470	
Represented by:							
Capital	1,778	15,050	16,828	1,077	17,905	18,186	
Accumulated Income	1,161	7,412	8,573	1,058	9,631	9,284	
	2,939	22,462	25,401	2,135	27,536	27,470	

## 22. REVALUATION RESERVE

	Consolidated and University		
	2014 £'000	2013 £'000	
Revaluations			
At 1 August	144,154	142,834	
Gains on valuation of shares	3,739	1,320	
Disposal of Fixed Asset Investment (Note 23)	(7,313)		
At 31 July	140,580	144,154	
Contributions to depreciation			
At 1 August	(57,009)	(53,660)	
Released in year (Note 23)	(3,381)	(3,349)	
At 31 July	(60,390)	(57,009)	
Net revaluation amount			
At 31 July	80,190	87,145	
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## 23. GENERAL RESERVE

	Consolidated	University (	Consolidated
	2014 £'000	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
At 1 August	228,135	228,811	224,386
Surplus for the year	26,382	26,382	2,500
Transfers from revaluation reserve (Note 22)	10,694	10,694	3,349
Pension contributions in excess of FRS 17 charge	(1,700)	(1,700)	(2,100)
At 31 July	263,511	264,187	228,135

### 24. PENSION RESERVE

<u>(</u>	Consolidated	<u>University</u>	Consolidated
	2014	2014	2013
	£'000	£'000	£'000
At 1 August	(45,900)	(45,900)	(52,100)
Actuarial gain on pension scheme	8,700	8,700	4,100
Pension contributions in excess of FRS 17 charge	1,700	1,700	2,100
At 31 July	(35,500)	(35,500)	(45,900)

## 25. RECONCILIATION OF SURPLUS ON CONTINUING OPERATIONS TO NET CASH INFLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2014	2013
	£'000	£'000
Surplus on continuing operations after depreciation of		
assets at valuation and after exceptional item	25,327	1,983
Depreciation	18,060	16,212
Profit on disposal of fixed assets	-	(241)
Endowment income and interest receivable	(3,462)	(3,044)
Deferred capital grants released to income	(6,960)	(6,637)
Interest payable	1,240	1,305
Decrease/(Increase) in stocks	34	(81)
Decrease in debtors	1,672	1,949
Increase in creditors	4,421	3,860
(Decrease)/Increase in provisions	(6,593)	6,593
Decrease in Other Deferred Income	(1,892)	(2,089)
Pension contributions in excess of charge	(300)	(1,300)
Profit on disposal of shares	(232)	-
Loss on valuation of shares	1,457	
Net cash inflow from continuing operating activities	32,772	18,510

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## 26. RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FLOW TO MOVEMENT IN NET (DEBT)/FUNDS

		2014 £'000	2013 £'000
Decrease in cash in the year		(2,659)	(2,116)
Cash (inflow)/outflow to liquid resources Loan repayments in the year		(1,469) 1,385	1,615 1,291
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Change in net (debt)/funds		(2,743)	790
	At 1 August 2013 £'000	Cash Flows £,000	At 31 July 2014 £'000
ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS			
Cash at bank and in hand Bank overdraft	4,333 (394)	(3,053) 394	1,280
Balik Overthalt	(394)		
Total cash at bank and in hand	3,939	(2,659)	1,280
Liquid resources:			
Short-term deposits	173,792	(1,469)	172,323
Debt:			
Debts falling due within one year	(1,385)	(92)	(1,477)
Debts falling due after one year	(20,941)	1,477	(19,464)
	(22,326)	1,385	(20,941)
Total	155,405	(2,743)	152,662

## 27. PENSION SCHEMES

Particulars of the pension schemes in operation are shown in Note 1.

The assumptions and other data which have the most significant effect on the determination of the contribution levels of the other schemes are as follows:

	<u>USS</u>	<u>CUPF</u>	<u>LGS</u>
Latest actuarial valuations	31 March 2011	1 August 2013	31 March 2013
Investment returns per annum	6.1%	6.2%	5.6%
Salary scale increases per annum	4.4%	3.1%	3.4%
Pension increases per annum	3.4%	3.1%	2.4%
Market value of assets at date of last valuation	M£28,843	M£144.4	M£1,369.0
Proportion of members' accrued benefits covered by the actuarial value of the assets	68%	89%	82%

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### 27. PENSION SCHEMES (continued)

#### Notes:

- (i) Employer contribution rates during the year were as follows:
  - (a) USS 16%
  - (b) CUPF 20%
  - (c) The employer contribution rate to the LGS was 25.7% in the year to 31 March 2014 and 27.3% thereafter plus a cash contribution of M£1.391in the year to 31 March 2014 and M£1.3 to be paid in the year to 31 March 2015.
- (ii) At 31 July 2014, the outstanding pension contributions included in creditors was M£3.476 (M£3.617 31 July 2013).

The total pension cost for the University (excluding the interest payable element) was:

	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
USS	22,653	22,206
NHS	2,195	2,200
CUPF	7,308	7,244
LGS	1,422	448
Total pension cost (Note 7)	33,578	32,098

An updated estimated valuation of each of the two defined benefit schemes (CUPF and LGS) was performed at 31 July 2014 by a qualified actuary. The FRS 17 disclosures set out below are based on this updated valuation.

The major assumptions used by the scheme actuaries were:

	31 July 3 2014 CUPF	31 July 2014 LGS	31 July 2013 CUPF	31 July 2013 LGS	31 July 2012 CUPF	31 July 2012 LGS
Rate of increase in salaries	3.2%	3.2%	4.6%	4.5%	4.1%	3.9%
Rate of increase in pensions in payment	2.2%	2.2%	2.7%	2.6%	2.1%	1.9%
Discount rate	4.0%	4.0%	4.5%	4.4%	4.1%	4.0%
Inflation assumption - RPI	3.2%	3.2%	3.6%	3.5%	3.1%	2.9%
- CPI	2.2%	2.2%	2.7%	2.6%	2.1%	1.9%

Commutation of pensions to lump sums:

#### **CUPF**

No allowance is made for commutation.

#### **LGS**

#### 31 July 2014

Each member was assumed to surrender pension on retirement such that the total cash received (including any accrued lump sum from pre-2008 service) is 75% of the permitted maximum.

#### 31 July 2013

Each member assumed to exchange 50% of the maximum amount permitted of their pre 1 April 2010 pension entitlements, for additional lump sum. Each member assumed to exchange 75% of the maximum amount permitted of their post 31 March 2010 pension entitlements, for additional lump sum.

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## 27. PENSION SCHEMES (continued)

The assumed life expectations on retirement at age 65 are:

CUPF					31 July 2014	31 July 2013
Retiring Today:						
Males					21.9	21.4
Females					24.9	24.3
Retiring in 20 ye	ears:				22.7	22.0
Males Females					23.7 26.5	22.8 25.8
remaies					20.3	23.6
					31 July 2014	31 July 2013
LGS						
Retiring Today: Males					23.7	24.0
Females					26.6	26.8
Retiring in 20 ye	ears:					
Males					25.7	25.7
Females					28.9	28.8
The assets in the scheme and the CUPF	he expected rate of ret 31 July	31 July	31 July	31 July	31 July	31 July
	2014	2014	2013	2013	2012	2012
	M£	%	M€	%	M£	%
Equities	106.6	7.5	100.0	7.8	86.8	7.5
Bonds	46.4	3.4	43.6	3.6	42.6	2.9
Other Assets	0.6	1.1	0.9	0.9	0.4	1.4
	153.6		144.5		129.8	
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<u>LGS</u>	31 July 2014	31 July 2014	31 July 2013	31 July 2013	31 July 2012	31 July 2012
	2014 M£	201 <del>4</del> %	2013 M£	2013 %	M£	2012 %
	1,10	70	1,10	, •	1720	, 0
Equities	16.3	7.5	14.7	7.8	11.0	7.5
Bonds	3.1	3.4	3.0	3.6	2.6	2.8
Property	1.2	6.8	1.1	7.3	1.0	7.0
Other Assets	0.3	4.3	0.1	4.3	0.6	4.4
	20.9		18.9		15.2	

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## 27. PENSION SCHEMES (continued)

The following amounts at 31 July were measured in accordance with the requirements of FRS17:

<u>CUPI</u>	<u>F</u>	31 July 2014 M£	31 July 2013 M£	31 July 2012 M£	31 July 2011 M£	31 July 2010 M£
	The assets of the scheme Present value of scheme liabilities	153.6 (177.0)	144.5 (173.7)	129.8 (163.4)	123.3 (141.9)	109.5 (158.3)
	Net pension liability	(23.4)	(29.2)	(33.6)	(18.6)	(48.8)
<u>LGS</u>		31 July 2014 M£	31 July 2013 M£	31 July 2012 M£	31 July 2011 M£	31 July 2010 M£
	The share of the assets of the scheme	20.9	18.9	15.2	14.7	13.2
	Present value of scheme liabilities	(33.0)	(35.6)	(33.7)	(30.7)	(27.1)
	Net pension liability	(12.1)	(16.7)	(18.5)	(16.0)	(13.9)

The experience gains and losses for the year were as follows:

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Difference between the expected and actual return on assets: Amount (M£) $ (0.4) \qquad 5.5 \qquad (2.8) \qquad 4.1 $	5.5 (2.0)
	5.5 (2.8) 4.1 8.9
Experience gains and losses on scheme liabilities: Amount (M£) $(0.6)   2.7   2.0   21.9$	2.7 2.0 21.9 4.9
Total amount recognised in the STRGL: Amount (M£)  5.3  3.3  (16.5)  31.6	
	3.3 (16.5) 31.6 0.4
<u>LGS</u>	3.3 (16.5) 31.6 0.4
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<u>LGS</u>	2013 2012 2011 2010
LGS  2014 2013 2012 2011 2  Difference between the expected and actual return on assets:	<b>2013 2012 2011 2010</b> 2.2 (1.0) 0.6 1.1

## NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS Year ended 31 July 2014

## 27. PENSION SCHEMES (continued)

The following components of the pension charge have been recognised in the income and expenditure account and statement of recognised gains and losses for the years ended 31 July 2014 and 31 July 2013:

	Year ended 3	1 July 2014	Year ended 3	31 July 2013
	<b>CUPF</b>	<u>LGS</u>	<b>CUPF</b>	<u>LGS</u>
	M£	M€	M£	M£
Analysis of amounts charged to income and expenditure account:				
Current service cost	8.4	0.4	7.3	0.4
Past service cost		<del>-</del>	0.1	=
Total operating charge	8.4	0.4	7.4	0.4
Financing:				
Expected return on assets	(9.4)	(1.4)	(7.8)	(1.0)
Interest on scheme liabilities	7.8	1.6	6.7	1.3
Net (income)/expense	(1.6)	0.2	(1.1)	0.3
	Year ended 3	1 July 2014	Year ended 3	31 July 2013
	<u>CUPF</u>	<u>LGS</u>	<b>CUPF</b>	<u>LGS</u>
Analysis of amounts recognised in statement of total recognised gains and losses:	M£	M£	M£	M€
Actual return lower than expected on scheme assets	(0.4)	(0.2)	5.5	2.2
Change in assumptions underlying the present value of scheme liabilities	5.7	3.6	(2.2)	(1.4)
Total actuarial gains recognised	5.3	3.4	3.3	0.8

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Closing present value of liabilities

## 27. PENSION SCHEMES (continued)

The movement in the University's share of the schemes' deficits during the year is made up as follows:

	Year ended 3	1 July 2014	Year ended 3	1 July 2013
	<b>CUPF</b>	<u>LGS</u>	<b>CUPF</b>	<b>LGS</b>
	M€	M£	M£	M£
Opening fair value of assets	144.5	18.9	129.8	15.2
Movement in year:				
Expected return on assets	9.4	1.4	7.8	1.0
Actuarial (losses)/gains on assets	(0.4)	(0.2)	5.5	2.2
Contributions by the employer	7.3	1.8	7.4	1.7
Contributions by participants	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1
Net benefits paid out	(7.4)	(1.1)	(6.2)	(1.3)
Closing fair value of assets	153.6	20.9	144.5	18.9
	Year ended 3	1 July 2014	Year ended 3	1 July 2013
	<b>CUPF</b>	<u>LGS</u>	<u>CUPF</u>	<u>LGS</u>
	M€	M£	M£	M£
Opening present value of liabilities Movement in year:	173.7	35.6	163.4	33.7
Current service cost	8.4	0.4	7.3	0.4
Interest cost on liabilities	7.8	1.6	6.7	1.3
Actuarial (gains)/losses on liabilities	(5.7)	(3.6)	2.2	1.4
Contributions by participants	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1
Past service cost	-	0.1	0.1	0.1
Net benefits paid out	(7.4)	(1.1)	(6.2)	(1.3)
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### 28. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

	Consolidated a	and University
	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
Commitments contracted at 31 July	24,382	21,986

#### 29. CONTINGENT LIABILITY

The University is a member of UMALT, a company limited by guarantee, formed to provide a mutual association for terrorism risks. Under the terms of its membership, each member acts as insurer and insured. If the association as a whole suffers a shortfall in any underwriting year, the members are liable for their pro-rata share spread over seven years. The university is a guarantor, on a joint and several basis with other members, of this £15 million loan facility. No liability has yet arisen under this guarantee.

#### 30. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the year, Cardiff University made a block grant payment of M£2.503 (2012/13: M£2.389) to the Cardiff University Students' Union. There are no other material related party transactions.

All transactions involving organisations in which a member of the Council may have an interest are conducted at arm's length and in accordance with the University's financial regulations and normal procurement procedures. The University maintains a Register of Interests of members of Council and senior officers.

### 31. ACCESS FUNDS

	2014 £'000	2013 £'000
Funding Council grants Interest earned	408	417 1
Disbursed to students Administration expenses	408 (407) 	418 (406) (11)
Balance unspent as at 31 July	1	1

Access grants are available solely for students - the University acts only as paying agent. The grants and related disbursements are therefore excluded from the income and expenditure account.