

CARDIFF UNIVERSITY

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR TO 31ST JULY, 2003

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Cardiff University is the public name of the University of Wales, Cardiff, a constituent institution of the University of Wales. All references to Cardiff University and the University in this publication refer to the University of Wales, Cardiff.

TREASURER'S REPORT**Scope of the Financial Statements**

The Financial Statements for the year ended 31st July, 2003 consolidate the results of the University and its four subsidiary companies, Cardiff University Equipment Services Ltd, Cardiff University Properties Ltd, Cardiff University Residential Property Services Ltd and University College Cardiff Consultants Ltd.

Results for the Year

The University's consolidated income and expenditure results for the year to 31st July, 2003 are summarised as follows:

	<u>2002/03</u> £000	<u>2001/02</u> £000
Income	186,993	167,906
Expenditure	<u>(176,791)</u>	<u>(164,944)</u>
Surplus for the Year after Depreciation of Assets at Valuation and Before Taxation	<u>10,202</u>	<u>2,962</u>
Surplus Before Taxation for the Year on an Historical Cost Basis	<u>13,263</u>	<u>6,584</u>

Income has increased by over M£19 (11%) compared to the previous year. This increase was mainly attributable to an increase in the Higher Education Council-ELWa (HEC-ELWa) grants of M£11 and a significant increase in tuition fee income particularly from overseas students. Income from research grants and contracts continues to increase year-on-year and reached almost M£43 in the financial year.

Expenditure has increased by M£12 (+ 7%) mainly due to an increase in staff costs reflecting a small increase in staff numbers, inflation and incremental drift. Other operating expenses have increased by about M£3.

Investment Performance & Cash Flow

Cash balances are administered in accordance with the University's Treasury Management Policy and a low risk strategy has been adopted over the period. The University's cash investments have performed well in relation to agreed market comparators. The consolidated cash flow statement shows that there was a net cash inflow from operating activities of M£9.3. The net increase in cash after taking account of capital expenditure, financial investment and financing, however, was only K£16 due to the significant capital investment made by the University during the period.

Future Developments

The University is pursuing its vision to become a World Class University and its associated mission is to pursue research of international excellence and research-led learning and teaching of the highest quality. Applications for student places continue to grow, as does the strength of the University's research activity.

The University's continued success requires significant investment to be made in its academic infrastructure. Consequently, a major capital programme is taking place which includes the completion of a M£14 research building for the Cardiff School of Biosciences, major laboratory refurbishments for the scientific departments and a planned new M£16 building for the Cardiff School of Optometry and Vision Sciences which is due to open in 2005.

While the University cash balances remain strong the effect of the above investment, together with increased investment in academic staff appointments, will reduce significantly the short-term deposits in the balance sheet over the next few years.

I am sure that members of the University's Council and Court will join me in thanking all staff for their valuable contribution to the success and growth of Cardiff University.

H G Jones
4th November, 2003

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 Combined Code on Corporate Governance issued by the London Stock Exchange in June 1998. 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 Council has an ongoing process for identifying, evaluating and managing the University's significant risks that has been in operation for the whole of the year ended 31st July 2003. The Council agenda includes a regular report which includes sections on risk management, control and compliance that accords with the internal control guidance for directors on the Combined Code as deemed appropriate for higher education. The emphasis is on obtaining the relevant degree of assurance and not merely reporting by exception.

The University's Council meets six times a year and has several committees, including Planning and Resources Committee, a Nominations 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 Planning and Resources Committee, a standing committee of the Council, and from the Senate, the body responsible for the University's academic affairs.

The Planning and Resources Committee manages, monitors and regulates the finances, accounts and investments of the University within the overall policy laid down by the Council. There is also a Finance Group, established by Minute of Council which is chaired by the Treasurer and includes the Chairman of Council, a lay member of Council as well as the Vice-Chancellor, Director of Finance and Financial Controller. The Finance Group meets five times a year to discuss detailed financial and internal control matters in order to advise Planning and Resources Committee as necessary.

The Nominations Committee seeks out and recommends new lay and co-opted members to serve on Council itself, and its sub-committees, 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 meets four times a year, 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, or otherwise by request. 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 HEC-ELWa and the National Audit Office 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 attend meetings by invitation.

In March 2003, the Council took the decision to merge with University of Wales College of Medicine (UWCM) from 1st August 2004. This decision was based on a detailed review of the risks and opportunities associated with the merger, which included commissioning independent legal and financial due diligence reviews of UWCM. Following the decision to merge, a Merger Commission was created by the Councils of the University and UWCM to act on their behalf in taking forward the merger, acting on the basis of Heads of Agreement which are continuously being updated. The Commission considers all matters relating to the management, regulation and constitution of the merged institution and determines the policies and procedures to be operated in the merged institution from August 2004. The Chair of the Commission is a former member of Council of both Cardiff University and UWCM, while membership includes the Chairs of Council, Vice-Chancellors and Student Presidents of both institutions together with two lay members who were not lay members of either Council. All lay members on the Merger Commission were appointed on the advice of the Nominations Committees of both institutions.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE UNIVERSITY'S COUNCIL

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 the HEC-ELWa, the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting in Higher Education Institutions and other relevant accounting standards. In addition, within the terms and conditions of a Financial Memorandum agreed between the HEC-ELWa 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 causing the Financial Statements to be prepared, 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 unless it is inappropriate to presume that the University and its subsidiaries will continue in operation. 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 HEC-ELWa, The National Council ELWa and other Funding Bodies are used only for the purposes for which they have been given and in accordance with the Financial Memorandum with the HEC-ELWa and any other conditions which the HEC-ELWa 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 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;

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE UNIVERSITY'S COUNCIL - Continued

- 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.

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

By Order of the Council

Dr David Grant
Accounting Officer

Date 4th November, 2003

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS REPORT TO THE COUNCIL OF CARDIFF UNIVERSITY

We have audited the Financial Statements of Cardiff University for the year ended 31st July, 2003 which comprise the Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance Sheet, the Cash Flow Statement, the Statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses and the related notes. These Financial Statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention (as modified by the revaluation of certain fixed assets) and the accounting policies set out therein.

Respective Responsibilities of the University Council and the Auditors

As described in the Statement of Responsibilities of the University's Council, the Council is responsible for the preparation of the Financial Statements in accordance with the Accounts Direction issued by the HEC-ELWa, the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting for Further and Higher Education Institutions, applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards.

Our responsibility is to audit the Financial Statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. This opinion has been prepared for and only for the University Council. We do not, in giving this opinion, accept or assume responsibility for any other purpose or to any other person to whom this report is shown or in to whose hands it may come save where expressly agreed by our prior consent in writing.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the Financial Statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Accounts Direction issued by the HEC-ELWa and the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting for Further and Higher Education Institutions. We also report to you whether in our opinion, in all material respects monies expended out of HEC-ELWa grants and other funds from whatever sources administered by the University for specific purposes have been properly applied and, if appropriate, managed in compliance with all relevant legislation and whether in our opinion, in all material respects, income has been applied in accordance with the Financial Memorandum with the HEC-ELWa.

We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Treasurer's Report is not consistent with the Financial Statements, if the University has not kept proper accounting records, the accounting records do not agree with the Financial Statements or if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

We read the other information contained in the Financial Statements and consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatement with the Financial Statements or material inconsistencies with the Financial Statements. The other information comprises only the Treasurer's Report, the Corporate Governance Statement and the Statement of Responsibilities of the University's Council.

Basis of Audit Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board, and the Audit Code of Practice issued by the HEC-ELWa. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the Financial Statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the University Council in the preparation of the Financial Statements, and whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the University's circumstances, consistently applied and disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations, which we considered necessary, in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the Financial Statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of the information in the Financial Statements.

Opinion

In our opinion:

- i. the Financial Statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the University as at 31st July, 2003 and of its surplus of income over expenditure, recognised gains and losses and cashflows for the year then ended, and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Accounts Direction issued by the HEC-ELWa and the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting for Further and Higher Education;

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- ii. in all material respects, monies expended out of HEC-ELWa grants and other funds from whatever source administered by the University for specific purposes have been properly applied to those purposes and, if appropriate, managed in compliance with all relevant legislation;
- iii. in all material respects, income has been applied in accordance with the Financial Memorandum with the HEC-ELWa.

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors
Cardiff

Date 4th November, 2003

Notes

- (a) The maintenance and integrity of the Cardiff University website is the responsibility of the University Council; 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 Financial Statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

STATEMENT OF PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES**Basis of Preparation**

The Financial Statements have been prepared 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 ("SORP"). Where relevant the Financial Statements adhere to the Accounting directives of HEC-ELWa.

Basis of Accounting

These Financial Statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by the revaluation of Endowment Asset Investments 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 31st July but do not include those of the University Union or the Cardiff Partnership Fund Ltd 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 grants from the Funding Councils are recognised in the period in which they are receivable.

Provision for Doubtful Debts

Specific provision is made for individual debts where recovery is thought to be in doubt. Tuition and accommodation fee debts are provided for on the basis of historic experience. These debts are only written off if a student fails to return. All other debts are provided for in full if they are over 12 months old.

Pension Schemes

Pension costs have been accounted for in accordance with SSAP24, Accounting for Pension Costs.

The three principal pension schemes for the University's staff are the Universities Superannuation Scheme (USS), the University of Wales, Cardiff Pension Fund (CUPF) and the Local Government Scheme (LGS). The schemes are defined-benefit schemes which are externally-funded and contracted out of the State Earnings-Related Pension Scheme. The Funds are valued every three years by actuaries using either the aggregate method or the attained-age method, the rates of contribution payable being determined by the trustees on the advice of the actuaries. Pension costs are assessed on the latest actuarial valuations of the Schemes and are accounted for on the basis of charging the cost of providing pensions over the period during which the University benefits from the employees' services.

Variations from regular cost are spread over the expected average remaining working lifetime of Members of the Schemes after making allowances for future withdrawals. A small number of staff remain in other pension schemes.

The transitional measures of FRS17 retirement benefits, have continued to be applied for the year ended 31st July 2003.

STATEMENT OF PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued**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 profit and loss 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 was in July 1998 by Gerald Eve, 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 with a capital cost of over M£¼ that enhance the value of buildings are capitalised and depreciated over 15 years.

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 HEC-ELWa Financial Memorandum whereby approval of HEC-ELWa must be obtained before a transaction is entered into affecting property built or developed with grants paid by the Secretary of State on the advice of the Funding Councils.

Equipment

Equipment costing less than £5,000 per individual item or group of related items is written off in the year of acquisition. All other equipment is capitalised.

Capitalised equipment is stated at cost and depreciated on a straight-line basis over the shorter of the lease term and the expected useful life as follows:

Main frame computer and telephone equipment	-	7 years
Motor vehicles and other general equipment	-	4 years

Where equipment is acquired with the aid of specific grants, it is 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 equipment.

STATEMENT OF PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued**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. Current Asset Investments are included at the lower of cost and market 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 an exempt charity within the meaning of Schedule 2 of the Charities Act 1993 and as such is a charity within the meaning of Section 506(1) of the Taxes Act 1988. Accordingly, the University is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income or capital gains received within categories covered by Section 505 of the Taxes Act 1988 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. The University does not receive a similar exemption in respect of Value Added Tax.

Deferred Taxation

Deferred taxation is recognised in respect of all timing differences that have originated but not reversed at the balance sheet date where transactions or events result in an obligation to pay more taxation in the future, or a right to pay less taxation in future. Deferred tax is measured at the average tax rates that are expected to apply in the period in which the timing differences are expected to reverse, based on tax rates and law that have been enacted or substantively enacted at the balance sheet date. Deferred tax assets are recognised only to the extent that it is considered more likely than not that there will be taxable surpluses from which the future reversal of the underlying timing differences can be deducted.

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.

CONSOLIDATED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**For the Year Ended 31st July, 2003**

	Note	<u>2002/03</u> £000	<u>2001/02</u> £000
INCOME			
Funding Council Grants	1	76,833	65,862
Tuition Fees and Support Grants	2	40,445	35,841
Research Grants and Contracts	3	42,855	39,548
Other Operating Income	4	23,846	23,524
Endowment Income and Interest Receivable	5	<u>3,014</u>	<u>3,131</u>
Total Income		<u>186,993</u>	<u>167,906</u>
EXPENDITURE			
Staff Costs	6	99,989	91,172
Other Operating Expenses	7	66,372	63,163
Depreciation	11	8,397	8,440
Interest Payable and Similar Charges	8	<u>2,033</u>	<u>2,169</u>
Total Expenditure	9	<u>176,791</u>	<u>164,944</u>
Surplus on Continuing Operations after Depreciation of Assets at Valuation, Disposal of Assets and Taxation	23	<u>10,202</u>	<u>2,962</u>

STATEMENT OF HISTORICAL COST SURPLUSES AND DEFICITS**For the Year Ended 31st July, 2003**

	Note	<u>2002/03</u> £000	<u>2001/02</u> £000
Surplus on Continuing Operations Before Taxation		10,202	2,962
Difference Between an Historical Cost Depreciation Charge and the Actual Depreciation Charge for the Year Calculated on the Revalued Amount	22	<u>3,061</u>	<u>3,622</u>
Historical Cost Surplus Before Taxation		<u>13,263</u>	<u>6,584</u>
Historical Cost Surplus After Taxation		<u>13,263</u>	<u>6,584</u>

STATEMENT OF CONSOLIDATED TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES**For the Year Ended 31st July, 2003**

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2002/03</u> £000	<u>2001/02</u> £000
Surplus on Continuing Operations After Depreciation of Assets at Valuation, Disposal of Assets and Taxation		10,202	2,962
New Endowments	21	4	120
Appreciation/(Devaluation) of Endowment Asset Investments	21	17	(1,059)
Endowment Surplus/(Deficit) Retained for Year	21	<u>(120)</u>	<u>41</u>
Total Recognised Gains Relating to the Year		<u>10,103</u>	<u>2,064</u>
Reconciliation:			
Opening Reserves and Endowments		202,976	200,912
Total Recognised Gains and Losses for the Year		<u>10,103</u>	<u>2,064</u>
Closing Reserves and Endowments		<u>213,079</u>	<u>202,976</u>

BALANCE SHEETS AS AT 31ST JULY, 2003

	Note	<u>Consolidated</u>		<u>University</u>	
		<u>2003</u> <u>£000</u>	<u>2002</u> <u>£000</u>	<u>2003</u> <u>£000</u>	<u>2002</u> <u>£000</u>
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible Assets	11	240,911	230,398	240,911	230,398
Investments	12	<u>76</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>216</u>	<u>216</u>
		<u>240,987</u>	<u>230,474</u>	<u>241,127</u>	<u>230,614</u>
ENDOWMENT INVESTMENTS	13	<u>7,632</u>	<u>7,731</u>	<u>7,632</u>	<u>7,731</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Stocks	14	164	185	164	185
Debtors	15	15,116	16,042	15,862	18,548
Short-Term Deposits		64,854	63,413	64,684	63,381
Cash at Bank and in Hand		<u>1,263</u>	<u>1,275</u>	<u>1,263</u>	<u>1,275</u>
		81,397	80,915	81,973	83,389
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR	16	<u>(23,285)</u>	<u>(25,102)</u>	<u>(23,638)</u>	<u>(25,479)</u>
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>58,112</u>	<u>55,813</u>	<u>58,335</u>	<u>57,910</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		306,731	294,018	307,094	296,255
CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR	17	(23,698)	(25,063)	(23,698)	(25,063)
PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES	18	<u>(2,902)</u>	<u>(3,264)</u>	<u>(2,902)</u>	<u>(3,264)</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS LIABILITIES		280,131	265,691	280,494	267,928
OTHER DEFERRED INCOME	19	<u>(7,645)</u>	<u>(6,119)</u>	<u>(7,645)</u>	<u>(6,119)</u>
TOTAL NET ASSETS		<u><u>272,486</u></u>	<u><u>259,572</u></u>	<u><u>272,849</u></u>	<u><u>261,809</u></u>

BALANCE SHEETS AS AT 31ST JULY, 2003 - Continued

		<u>Consolidated</u>		<u>University</u>	
	Note	<u>2003</u> <u>£000</u>	<u>2002</u> <u>£000</u>	<u>2003</u> <u>£000</u>	<u>2002</u> <u>£000</u>
DEFERRED CAPITAL GRANTS	20	59,407	56,596	59,407	56,596
ENDOWMENTS					
Specific	21	7,201	7,291	7,201	7,291
Appeal	21	36	38	36	38
General	21	<u>395</u>	<u>402</u>	<u>395</u>	<u>402</u>
		<u>7,632</u>	<u>7,731</u>	<u>7,632</u>	<u>7,731</u>
RESERVES					
Revaluation Reserve	22	103,939	107,000	103,939	107,000
Other Reserves	23	<u>101,508</u>	<u>88,245</u>	<u>101,871</u>	<u>90,482</u>
		<u>205,447</u>	<u>195,245</u>	<u>205,810</u>	<u>197,482</u>
TOTAL FUNDS		<u><u>272,486</u></u>	<u><u>259,572</u></u>	<u><u>272,849</u></u>	<u><u>261,809</u></u>

The Financial Statements on pages 8 to 39 were approved by the Council on 4th November, 2003, and signed on its behalf by:

Dr DAVID GRANT, Vice-Chancellor

H G JONES, Treasurer

D M DAVIES, Director of Finance

Cardiff University

CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOW STATEMENT**For the Year Ended 31st July, 2003**

	<u>Note</u>	<u>2002/03</u> <u>£000</u>	<u>2001/02</u> <u>£000</u>
CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	27	9,349	14,798
Returns on Investments and Servicing of Finance	28	1,548	869
Capital Expenditure and Financial Investment	29	(8,131)	(4,293)
Management of Liquid Resources	30	(1,441)	(9,391)
Financing	31	<u>(1,337)</u>	<u>(1,295)</u>
(Decrease)/Increase in Cash in the Period	32	<u>(12)</u>	<u>688</u>
RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FLOW TO MOVEMENT IN NET FUNDS			
(Decrease)/Increase in Cash in the Period	32	(12)	688
Cash Outflow from Liquid Resources	32	1,441	9,391
Cash Outflow from Decrease in Debt	32	<u>1,337</u>	<u>1,295</u>
Change in Net Funds Resulting from Cash Flows and Movement in Net Funds	32	2,766	11,374
Net Funds at 1st August		<u>38,288</u>	<u>26,914</u>
Net Funds at 31st July		<u>41,054</u>	<u>38,288</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. FUNDING COUNCIL GRANTS	<u>2002/03</u>	<u>2001/02</u>
	£000	£000
Recurrent Grant	70,901	62,191
Specific Grants		
Continuing Education	342	-
Academic Infrastructure	1,219	380
Learning & Teaching Support	1,316	-
Higher Education Economic Development	920	-
TACS Network	-	195
Research Volume Initiative	-	650
Widening Access	-	9
Other	509	788
Deferred Capital Grants Released in Year		
Buildings (Note 20)	1,302	1,332
Equipment (Note 20)	324	317
	<u>76,833</u>	<u>65,862</u>
2. TUITION FEES AND SUPPORT GRANTS	<u>2002/03</u>	<u>2001/02</u>
	£000	£000
Full-time UK students charged home fees	16,985	16,214
Full-time European Union (EU) students charged home fees	1,666	1,559
Full-time non-EU students charged overseas fees	15,793	12,728
Part-time fees	1,464	1,842
Research Training Support Grants	795	556
Non-Credit-Bearing Fees	<u>3,742</u>	<u>2,942</u>
	<u>40,445</u>	<u>35,841</u>
3. RESEARCH GRANTS AND CONTRACTS	<u>2002/03</u>	<u>2001/02</u>
	£000	£000
Research Councils	11,775	11,147
UK Based Charities	6,707	4,999
UK Govt, Local and Health Authorities	9,066	10,007
UK Limited Companies and Public Corps.	4,682	3,969
European Commission and Other	2,334	1,851
Overseas	994	1,229
Joint and Strategic Research Infrastructure Funding	4,720	3,363
Other	<u>2,577</u>	<u>2,983</u>
	<u>42,855</u>	<u>39,548</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued

4. OTHER OPERATING INCOME	<u>2002/03</u> £000	<u>2001/02</u> £000
Residences, Catering and Conferences	14,290	13,566
Other Services Rendered	6,420	6,271
Released from Deferred Capital Grants (Note 20)	55	55
Rents Receivable	21	88
Exempt VAT Recoverable	414	346
Postgraduate Awards	11	18
Donations and Subventions	93	90
Other Income	<u>2,542</u>	<u>3,090</u>
	<u><u>23,846</u></u>	<u><u>23,524</u></u>
5. ENDOWMENT INCOME AND INTEREST RECEIVABLE	<u>2002/03</u> £000	<u>2001/02</u> £000
Transferred from Specific Endowments (Note 21)	295	283
Transferred from Appeal Endowments (Note 21)	4	3
Income from General Endowment Asset Investments (Note 21)	9	9
Interest Receivable	<u>2,706</u>	<u>2,836</u>
	<u><u>3,014</u></u>	<u><u>3,131</u></u>
6. STAFF	<u>2002/03</u> £000	<u>2001/02</u> £000
Staff Costs:		
Wages and Salaries	82,904	76,208
Social Security Costs	6,281	5,659
Other Pension Costs (Note 33)	<u>10,804</u>	<u>9,305</u>
	<u><u>99,989</u></u>	<u><u>91,172</u></u>
Emoluments of the former Vice-Chancellor – Salary (i)	<u>-</u>	<u>22</u>
Emoluments of the Vice-Chancellor – Salary (ii)	<u>155</u>	<u>127</u>
(i) Employment ceased on the 30 th September 2001 and does not include pension costs.		
(ii) Employment commenced on the 1st October 2001 and does include pension costs.		
Staff Numbers by Major Category as at 31 st July:	<u>Number</u>	<u>Number</u>
Academic and Academic-Related	1,937	1,784
Technical	254	246
Clerical	691	720
Other	<u>279</u>	<u>326</u>
	<u><u>3,161</u></u>	<u><u>3,076</u></u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued**6. STAFF (Continued)**

Remuneration of Higher-Paid Staff including the Vice-Chancellor, including employers' pension costs:

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Number</u>
£50,000-£59,999	108	110
£60,000-£69,999	113	81
£70,000-£79,999	30	21
£80,000-£89,999	14	3
£90,000-£99,999	-	4
£100,000-£119,999	4	-
£120,000-£159,999	1	1

7. OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES

	<u>2002/03</u> £000	<u>2001/02</u> £000
Consumables and Laboratory Expenditure	10,964	9,127
Research Grants and Contracts	19,839	19,093
Residences, Catering and Conferences Operating Expenses	7,916	6,078
Books and Periodicals	2,478	2,351
Heat, Light, Water and Power	2,058	1,964
Repairs and General Maintenance	1,447	1,379
Long-Term Maintenance	1,989	4,770
Grants to University Students' Union	1,666	1,585
Other Services Rendered	2,805	3,164
Cost of Early Retirements	357	337
Equipment	1,929	1,983
Auditors' Remuneration – Audit Services (University K£22, 2001 K£21)	26	25
Auditors' Remuneration in Respect of Non-Audit Services (i)	26	32
Academic Support Services Other Expenses	3,704	3,070
General Education Other Expenses	1,466	1,185
Premises Other Expenses	3,094	2,735
Administrative Support Other Expenses	3,020	2,188
Other Expenses	<u>1,588</u>	<u>2,097</u>
	<u>66,372</u>	<u>63,163</u>

(i) Charges Rendered for the audit of Grant Certificates, due diligence and taxation.

8. INTEREST PAYABLE AND SIMILAR CHARGES

	<u>2002/03</u> £000	<u>2001/02</u> £000
Debentures and Other Loans: Repayable wholly in more than 5 years	<u>2,033</u>	<u>2,169</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued**9. ANALYSIS OF 2002/03 EXPENDITURE BY ACTIVITY**

	Staff Costs £000	Other Operating Expenses £000	Interest Payable £000	Total £000
Academic Departments	59,153	10,964	-	70,117
Academic Services	7,348	6,183	-	13,531
Research Grants and Contracts	16,700	19,839	-	36,539
Residences, Catering and Conferences	3,152	7,916	2,033	13,101
Premises	2,798	8,587	-	11,385
Administration	7,739	3,082	-	10,821
Other Expenses	<u>3,099</u>	<u>9,801</u>	-	<u>12,900</u>
	<u>99,989</u>	<u>66,372</u>	<u>2,033</u>	168,394
Depreciation				<u>8,397</u>
Total per Income and Expenditure Account				<u>176,791</u>

The depreciation charge has been funded by:

Deferred Capital Grants Released (Note 20)	1,626
Revaluation Reserve Released (Note 22)	3,061
General Income	<u>3,710</u>
	<u>8,397</u>

10. SURPLUS ON CONTINUING OPERATIONS FOR THE PERIOD

The surplus on continuing operations for the period is made up as follows:

	<u>2002/03</u> £000	<u>2001/02</u> £000
University Surplus for the Period	8,328	3,446
Surplus/(Deficit) Generated by Subsidiary Undertakings and Transfers to the University Under Deeds of Covenant	<u>1,874</u>	<u>(484)</u>
	<u>10,202</u>	<u>2,962</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued

11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	<u>Consolidated</u>				
	<u>Land and Buildings</u>		Assets in Course of Construction £000	Equipment £000	Total £000
	Freehold £000	Long Leasehold £000			
<u>Valuation/Cost</u>					
At 1st August, 2002					
Valuation	122,135	101,265	-	-	223,400
Cost	12,021	5,067	9,101	33,657	59,846
Additions	6,410	236	10,341	1,923	18,910
Disposals (i)	-	-	-	(3,858)	(3,858)
At 31st July, 2003					
Valuation	122,135	101,265	-	-	223,400
Cost	<u>18,431</u>	<u>5,303</u>	<u>19,442</u>	<u>31,722</u>	<u>74,898</u>
<u>Depreciation</u>					
At 1st August, 2002	12,132	10,399	-	30,317	52,848
Charge for year	3,344	2,839	-	2,214	8,397
Eliminated on Disposals (i)	-	-	-	(3,858)	(3,858)
At 31st July, 2003	<u>15,476</u>	<u>13,238</u>	-	<u>28,673</u>	<u>57,387</u>
<u>Net Book Value</u>					
At 31st July, 2003	<u>125,090</u>	<u>93,330</u>	<u>19,442</u>	<u>3,049</u>	<u>240,911</u>
At 31st July, 2002	<u>122,024</u>	<u>95,933</u>	<u>9,101</u>	<u>3,340</u>	<u>230,398</u>
Financed By:					
Funding Council	33,823	12,017	10,968	582	57,390
Endowments/Donations	893	1,124	-	-	2,017
Loan	21,281	5,754	-	-	27,035
Revaluation	37,065	61,794	-	-	98,859
Other	<u>32,028</u>	<u>12,641</u>	<u>8,474</u>	<u>2,467</u>	<u>55,610</u>
Net Book Value At 31st July 2003	<u>125,090</u>	<u>93,330</u>	<u>19,442</u>	<u>3,049</u>	<u>240,911</u>

Notes:

- (i) Disposal of equipment is assumed after 10 years.
- (ii) Certain buildings have been funded from Treasury sources at a cost of K£71,339 (2002 K£66,794). Should these particular buildings be sold, the University would use the proceeds in accordance with the Financial Memorandum with HEC-ELWa.
- (iii) The last valuation was undertaken by Gerald Eve, Chartered Surveyors as at the 31st July, 1998.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued

11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS (Continued)		University					
	<u>Land and Buildings</u>		Assets in Course of Construction £000	Equipment £000	Leased Equipment £000	Total £000	
	Freehold £000	Long Leasehold £000					
<u>Valuation/Cost</u>							
At 1st August, 2002							
Valuation	122,135	101,265	-	-	-	223,400	
Cost	12,021	5,067	9,101	18,844	14,813	59,846	
Additions	6,410	236	10,341	1,923	-	18,910	
Disposals (i)	-	-	-	(1,665)	(2,193)	(3,858)	
At 31st July, 2003							
Valuation	122,135	101,265	-	-	-	223,400	
Cost	<u>18,431</u>	<u>5,303</u>	<u>19,442</u>	<u>19,102</u>	<u>12,620</u>	<u>74,898</u>	
<u>Depreciation</u>							
At 1st August, 2002	12,132	10,399	-	15,504	14,813	52,848	
Charge for year	3,344	2,839	-	2,214	-	8,397	
Eliminated on Disposals (i)	-	-	-	(1,665)	(2,193)	(3,858)	
At 31st July, 2003	<u>15,476</u>	<u>13,238</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>16,053</u>	<u>12,620</u>	<u>57,387</u>	
<u>Net Book Value</u>							
At 31st July, 2003	<u>125,090</u>	<u>93,330</u>	<u>19,442</u>	<u>3,049</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>240,911</u>	
At 31st July, 2002	<u>122,024</u>	<u>95,933</u>	<u>9,101</u>	<u>3,340</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>230,398</u>	
Financed By:							
Funding Council	33,823	12,017	10,968	582	-	57,390	
Endowmnts/Donatns	893	1,124	-	-	-	2,017	
Loan	21,281	5,754	-	-	-	27,035	
Revaluation	37,065	61,794	-	-	-	98,859	
Other	<u>32,028</u>	<u>12,641</u>	<u>8,474</u>	<u>2,467</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>55,610</u>	
Net Book Value							
At 31st July 2003	<u>125,090</u>	<u>93,330</u>	<u>19,442</u>	<u>3,049</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>240,911</u>	

Notes:

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- (iii) The last valuation was undertaken by Gerald Eve, Chartered Surveyors as at the 31st July, 1998.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued**12. INVESTMENTS**

	<u>Consolidated</u>			<u>University</u>		
	Investments In Subsidiary Undertakings £000	Other Invest- ments £000	Total £000	Investments In Subsidiary Undertakings £000	Other Invest- ments £000	Total £000
<u>Investments at cost</u>						
At 1st August, 2002 and at 31st July, 2003	=	<u>76</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>171</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>216</u>

The University owns 100% of the issued share capital of £1 ordinary shares of the following companies, registered in England and Wales and operating in the United Kingdom:

<u>Name of Undertaking</u>	<u>Principal Business Activities</u>
Cardiff University Equipment Services Limited	Lessor of finance leases
Cardiff University Properties Limited	Lease and leaseback of property and property development
Cardiff University Residential Property Services Limited	Property management.

University College Cardiff Consultants Ltd (UC3)

UC3 a company limited by guarantee has been included in the consolidated Financial Statements.

Welsh Networking Limited

The University owns a 10% interest in Welsh Networking Limited, a company that commenced activity in 2001 to provide high bandwidth networking facilities to educational institutions in South and West Wales. This company is not consolidated.

Cardiff Partnership Fund Limited

The University owns a 70% 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 rests with an independent board. This investment was fully provided for in 2001.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued**13. ENDOWMENT INVESTMENTS****Consolidated and University**

	<u>2003</u> £000	<u>2002</u> £000
Balance at 1st August	7,731	8,629
Additions	283	1,289
Disposals	(399)	(1,128)
Appreciation/(Devaluation)	<u>17</u>	<u>(1,059)</u>
Balance at 31st July	<u>7,632</u>	<u>7,731</u>
Represented by:		
Fixed Interest Stocks	1,534	1,328
Equities	4,727	4,879
Bank Balances	<u>1,371</u>	<u>1,524</u>
Total Endowment Asset Investments	<u>7,632</u>	<u>7,731</u>
Fixed Interest Stocks and Equities at Cost	<u>6,077</u>	<u>6,022</u>

All endowment investments are listed.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued14. **STOCKS**Consolidated and University

	<u>2003</u> £000	<u>2002</u> £000
Residences and Catering	86	78
Maintenance	<u>78</u>	<u>107</u>
	<u>164</u>	<u>185</u>

15. **DEBTORS**ConsolidatedUniversity

	<u>2003</u> £000	<u>2002</u> £000	<u>2003</u> £000	<u>2002</u> £000
Amounts falling due within one year:				
Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings	-	-	833	2,587
Debtors	15,001	15,883	14,914	15,802
Prepayments	<u>115</u>	<u>159</u>	<u>115</u>	<u>159</u>
	<u>15,116</u>	<u>16,042</u>	<u>15,862</u>	<u>18,548</u>
Included in the above are amounts falling due after more than one year				
Amounts owed by subsidiary undertakings	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>-</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued**16. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

	<u>Consolidated</u>		<u>University</u>	
	<u>2003</u> £000	<u>2002</u> £000	<u>2003</u> £000	<u>2002</u> £000
Trade Creditors	5,422	5,881	5,361	5,636
Sundry Creditors	1,637	1,478	1,637	1,478
Social Security and Other Taxation Payable	2,308	2,010	2,238	1,965
Accruals and Deferred Income (ii)	5,613	6,138	5,609	6,132
Research Grants and Contracts in Advance (i)	6,940	8,258	6,940	8,258
Royal Bank of Scotland Loan (Note 17(i))	500	500	500	500
Midland Bank Loan (Note 17(ii))	750	750	750	750
Lloyds Bank Loan (Note 17(iii))	115	87	115	87
Amounts Owed to Subsidiary Undertakings	-	-	488	673
	<u>23,285</u>	<u>25,102</u>	<u>23,638</u>	<u>25,479</u>

- (i) Includes K£190 (2002 K£994) of unutilised Strategic Research Infrastructure Funding.
(ii) Includes the following unutilised landfill tax credit income provided via ENTRUST:

	£'000
Fund balance at 1st August 2002	592
Funds received	537
Interest income	<u>32</u>
	569
Total expenditure	<u>(471)</u>
Fund balance at 31st July 2003	<u>690</u>

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

	<u>Consolidated</u>		<u>University</u>	
	<u>2003</u> £000	<u>2002</u> £000	<u>2003</u> £000	<u>2002</u> £000
Royal Bank of Scotland Loan (i)	4,000	4,500	4,000	4,500
Midland Bank Loan (ii)	2,812	3,562	2,812	3,562
Lloyds Bank Loan (iii)	<u>16,886</u>	<u>17,001</u>	<u>16,886</u>	<u>17,001</u>
	<u>23,698</u>	<u>25,063</u>	<u>23,698</u>	<u>25,063</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued**17. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE
AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR (Continued)**

- (i) Royal Bank of Scotland originally advanced M£7.5 to the University to partially finance the cost of certain student residences. The loan is secured on University Hall and is repayable by 31st October, 2011 by equal annual instalments of M£0.5 as follows:

Within one year	K£500
Between two and five years	K£2,000
Over five years	K£2,000

Interest is payable on the loan at LIBOR plus 0.875% and is charged to Interest Payable (Note 8).

- (ii) Midland Bank PLC originally advanced M£7.5 to the University to partially finance the cost of certain student residences. The loan is secured on Talybont North and is repayable by 31st March, 2008 by equal annual instalments of M£0.75 as follows:

Within one year	K£750
Between two and five years	K£2,812

Interest is payable on the loan at 7.75% and is charged to Interest Payable (Note 8).

- (iii) Lloyds TSB 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 28th February, 2024 on a reducing balance method as follows:

	K£
Within one year	115
Between two and five years	845
Over five years	16,041

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

18. PROVISIONS FOR LIABILITIES AND CHARGES**Consolidated and University**

	Pension Funds £000	Total £000
At 1st August, 2002	3,264	3,264
Utilised in Year	<u>(362)</u>	<u>(362)</u>
At 31st July, 2003	<u>2,902</u>	<u>2,902</u>

The Pension Fund provision for the LGS Scheme (K£606, 2002 K£681) was set aside to meet the anticipated actuarial deficiency estimated on the members accrued benefits at the March 1998 actuarial valuation.

The Pension Fund provision for the CUPF Scheme (K£2,296, 2002 K£2,583) was set aside to meet the anticipated actuarial deficiency estimated on the members accrued benefits at the July 1996 valuation.

Both provisions are being released over the estimated remaining working lives of the employees within each scheme.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued**19. OTHER DEFERRED INCOME****Consolidated and University**

	<u>2003</u> <u>£000</u>	<u>2002</u> <u>£000</u>
VAT Credit - Newport Road (i)	1,481	1,533
VAT Credit - Talybont (i)	82	96
VAT Credit - The Brickyard (i)	33	35
Academic Infrastructure Grants	891	1,342
Supplemental Research Funding Allocation	4,011	2,652
Learning & Teaching Support Grants	692	53
Student Fees Received in Advance	450	316
Residences Deferred Income	<u>5</u>	<u>92</u>
	<u><u>7,645</u></u>	<u><u>6,119</u></u>

- (i) The University has claimed VAT on assets included in leasing arrangements with Cardiff University Properties Ltd and Cardiff University Equipment Services Ltd which will be recovered over the period of the leases. The VAT credits are reduced by the VAT element of the rent repayments.

20. DEFERRED CAPITAL GRANTS**Consolidated and University**

	Funding Council £000	Other Grants & Benefactions £000	Total £000
At 1st August, 2002			
Buildings	53,648	2,072	55,720
Equipment	<u>876</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>876</u>
Total	<u><u>54,524</u></u>	<u><u>2,072</u></u>	<u><u>56,596</u></u>
Cash Received			
Buildings	4,462	-	4,462
Equipment	<u>30</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>30</u>
Total	<u><u>4,492</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>4,492</u></u>
Released to Income and Expenditure			
Buildings (Note 1/Note 4)	(1,302)	(55)	(1,357)
Equipment (Note 1)	<u>(324)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(324)</u>
Total (Note 9)	<u><u>(1,626)</u></u>	<u><u>(55)</u></u>	<u><u>(1,681)</u></u>
At 31st July, 2003			
Buildings	56,808	2,017	58,825
Equipment	<u>582</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>582</u>
Total	<u><u>57,390</u></u>	<u><u>2,017</u></u>	<u><u>59,407</u></u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued**21. ENDOWMENTS****Consolidated and University**

	Specific £000	Appeal £000	General £000	Total £000
At 1st August, 2002 (Note 13)	7,291	38	402	7,731
Additions	4	-	-	4
Appreciation of Endowment Asset Investments	15	-	2	17
Income for Year	186	2	-	188
Transferred to Income and Expenditure Account (Note 5)	<u>(295)</u>	<u>(4)</u>	<u>(9)</u>	<u>(308)</u>
At 31st July, 2003 (Note 13)	<u>7,201</u>	<u>36</u>	<u>395</u>	<u>7,632</u>
Representing:				
Chairs	578			
Museum Research and Lectures	264			
Prizes and Medals	732			
Tithe Fund	377			
Student Amenities	64			
Scholarships	3,316			
John Bird Fund	435			
Miscellaneous Funds	<u>1,435</u>			
	<u>7,201</u>			

22. REVALUATION RESERVE**Consolidated and University**

	<u>2003</u> £000	<u>2002</u> £000
<u>Revaluations</u>		
At 1st August	125,979	126,620
Released on Disposals (Transfer to Income and Expenditure Account)	<u>-</u>	<u>(641)</u>
At 31st July	<u>125,979</u>	<u>125,979</u>
<u>Contributions to Depreciation</u>		
At 1st August	(18,979)	(15,998)
Released in Year (Note 9/Note 23)	<u>(3,061)</u>	<u>(2,981)</u>
At 31st July	<u>(22,040)</u>	<u>(18,979)</u>
<u>Net Revaluation Amount</u>		
At 31st July	<u>103,939</u>	<u>107,000</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued**23. OTHER RESERVES****Consolidated**

	Income and Expenditure A/C £000	Unexpended Balances £000	Total £000
At 1st August, 2002	39,793	48,452	88,245
Surplus after Depreciation of Assets at Valuation and Taxation	10,202	-	10,202
Movement on Reserves	(7,503)	7,503	-
Transfer from Revaluation Reserve to Income and Expenditure Account (Note 22)	<u>3,061</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,061</u>
At 31st July, 2003	<u>45,553</u>	<u>55,955</u>	<u>101,508</u>

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	Income and Expenditure A/C £000	Unexpended Balances £000	Total £000
At 1st August, 2002	42,020	48,462	90,482
Surplus after Depreciation of Assets at Valuation and Taxation	8,328	-	8,328
Movement on Reserves	(7,503)	7,503	-
Transfers from Revaluation Reserve to Income and Expenditure Account (Note 22)	<u>3,061</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>3,061</u>
At 31st July, 2003	<u>45,906</u>	<u>55,965</u>	<u>101,871</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued**24. LEASE OBLIGATIONS****Consolidated and University**

	<u>2003</u> £000	<u>2002</u> £000
Operating lease commitments for the 2003/2004 financial year, on leases expiring:		
Over five years	<u>10</u>	<u>1,413</u>

25. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS**Consolidated and University**

	<u>2003</u> £000	<u>2002</u> £000
Commitments contracted at 31st July	<u>3,591</u>	<u>8,594</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued**26. CONTINGENT LIABILITIES**

- (i) The University has outstanding on-demand guarantees with Barclays Bank which have to be given for certain overseas research projects:

Consolidated and University

<u>2003</u> £000	<u>2002</u> £000
=	<u>35</u>

- (ii) 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.

27. RECONCILIATION OF CONSOLIDATED OPERATING SURPLUS TO NET CASH FROM CONTINUING OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	<u>2002/03</u> £000	<u>2001/02</u> £000
CONTINUING OPERATIONS		
Surplus before taxation	10,202	2,962
Depreciation (Note 11)	8,397	8,440
Profit on Disposal of Fixed Assets	-	(48)
Deferred Capital Grants released to Income (Note 20)	(1,681)	(1,704)
Investment Income (Note 5)	(3,014)	(3,131)
Interest Payable (Note 8)	2,033	2,169
Decrease in Stocks (Note 14)	21	13
Decrease in Debtors	440	590
(Decrease)/Increase in Creditors	(2,046)	7,858
Decrease in Provisions	(362)	(363)
Decrease in Deferred Income	<u>(4,641)</u>	<u>(1,988)</u>
Net Cash Inflow from Operating Activities	<u>9,349</u>	<u>14,798</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued**28. RETURNS ON INVESTMENTS AND SERVICING OF FINANCE**

	<u>2002/03</u> £000	<u>2001/02</u> £000
Income from Endowments	188	336
Interest Received	3,351	2,720
Interest Paid	<u>(1,991)</u>	<u>(2,187)</u>
Net Cash Inflow from Returns on Investments and Servicing of Finance	<u>1,548</u>	<u>869</u>

29. CAPITAL EXPENDITURE AND FINANCIAL INVESTMENT

	<u>2002/03</u> £000	<u>2001/02</u> £000
Payments to Acquire Tangible Assets	(18,978)	(19,240)
Payments to Acquire Endowment Investments	<u>(283)</u>	<u>(1,289)</u>
Total Payments to Acquire Fixed and Other Investments	(19,261)	(20,529)
Receipts from Sales of Tangible Assets	-	650
Receipts from Sales of Endowment Assets	399	1,128
Deferred Capital Grants Received (Note 20)	4,492	10,010
Other Deferred Grants Received	6,235	4,328
Endowments Received (Note 21)	<u>4</u>	<u>120</u>
Net Cash Outflow from Capital Expenditure and Financial Investment	<u>(8,131)</u>	<u>(4,293)</u>

30. MANAGEMENT OF LIQUID RESOURCES

	<u>2002/03</u> £000	<u>2001/02</u> £000
Net Cash Placed on Short-Term Deposits	<u>(1,441)</u>	<u>(9,391)</u>
Net Cash Outflow from Management of Liquid Resources	<u>(1,441)</u>	<u>(9,391)</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued**31. FINANCING**

	<u>2002/03</u> £000	<u>2001/02</u> £000
Net Loans Repaid	(1,337)	(1,295)
Net Cash Outflow from Financing	<u>(1,337)</u>	<u>(1,295)</u>

32. ANALYSIS OF CHANGES IN NET FUNDS

	1st August 2002	Cash Flow	Other Non Cash Changes	31st July 2003
Cash at Bank and in Hand	<u>1,275</u>	(12)	-	<u>1,263</u>
Liquid Resources:				
Short-Term Deposits	<u>63,413</u>	<u>1,441</u>	-	<u>64,854</u>
Debt:				
Debts Falling Due Within One Year	(1,337)	1,337	(1,365)	(1,365)
Debts Falling Due After One Year	<u>(25,063)</u>	-	<u>1,365</u>	<u>(23,698)</u>
	<u>(26,400)</u>	<u>1,337</u>	-	<u>(25,063)</u>
Net Funds	<u>38,288</u>	<u>2,766</u>	-	<u>41,054</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued**33. PENSION SCHEMES**

The three principal pension schemes for the University's staff are the Universities Superannuation Scheme (USS), Cardiff University Pension Fund (CUPF) and the Local Government Scheme (LGS). The assets of the schemes are held in separate trustee-administered funds. The schemes are defined - benefit schemes which are externally-funded and are valued every three years by actuaries using either the aggregate method or the attained-age method, the rates of contribution payable being determined by the trustees on the advice of the actuaries. USS provides benefits based on final pensionable salary for academic and academic-related staff, CUPF provides similar benefits for certain non-academic and non-academic-related staff whilst LGS provides similar benefits for certain manual and clerical staff. The pension costs are assessed using the projected-unit method. The assumptions and other data which have the most significant effect on the determination of the contribution levels are as follows:

	<u>USS</u> (i)	<u>CUPF</u> (ii)	<u>LGS</u> (iii)
Latest actuarial valuations	31st March, 2002	31st July, 2001	31st March, 2001
Investment returns per annum	5.0%	7%	6.55%
Salary scale increases per annum	3.7%	4.5%	3.8%
Pension increases per annum	2.7%	3.0%	2.3%
Market value of assets at date of last valuation	£19,938 million	£41.41 million	£573.4 million
Proportion of members' accrued benefits covered by the actuarial value of the assets	101%	92%	82%

Notes:

- (i) The level of contributions paid by employers into USS is 14.0%. A formal valuation was undertaken as at 31st March 2002 and contributions are to remain the same.
- (ii) University contributions into CUPF were 18% from 1st August 2002.
- (iii) The employer contribution rate to the LGS was 17.64% from 1st April 2002 and increased to 19.20% from 1st April 2003 on the recommendation of the actuary.

The total pension cost for the University and its subsidiaries was:

	<u>2002/03</u> £000	<u>2001/02</u> £000
<u>Principal Schemes</u>		
Regular Pension Cost	10,804	9,305
<u>Other Schemes</u>	—	—
Total Pension Cost (Note 6)	<u>10,804</u>	<u>9,305</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued**33. PENSION SCHEMES (Continued)****Implementation of FRS17 – Retirement Benefits**

The effect of FRS17 implementation on the three principal pension schemes for the University's staff are as follows:-

- a) USS is a defined benefits scheme based on final pensionable salary. It is externally funded and contracted out of the state earnings related pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held in a separate trustee-administered fund. It is not possible to identify the University's share of the underlying assets and liabilities of the scheme and hence contributions to the scheme are accounted for as if it were a defined contribution scheme. The cost recognised within the surplus for the year in the income and expenditure account being equal to the contributions payable to the scheme for the year.

Surpluses or deficits which arise at future valuations may impact on the University's future contribution commitment.

In relation to the future service liabilities it was assumed that the valuation rate of interest would be 5.0% per annum, including an additional investment return assumption of 1% per annum, salary increases would be 3.7% per annum and pensions would increase by 2.7% per annum. The valuation was carried out using the projected unit method.

At the valuation date, the market value of the assets of the scheme was M£19,938 (including an estimated M£55 in respect of outstanding bulk transfer payments due) and the value of the past service liabilities was M£19,776 leaving a surplus of assets of M£162. The assets therefore were sufficient to cover 101% of the benefits which had accrued to members after allowing for expected future increases in earnings.

The University contribution rate required for future service benefits alone at the date of the valuation was 14.25% of salaries but it was agreed that the University contribution rate will be maintained at 14% of salaries. To fund this reduction of 0.25% for the period of 12 years from the date of the valuation (the average outstanding working lifetime of the current members of the scheme) required the use of M£82.5 of the surplus. This left a past service surplus of M£79.5 (including the Supplementary Section) to be carried forward.

Surpluses or deficits which arise at future valuations may impact on the University's future contribution commitment. The next formal actuarial valuation is due as at 31st March 2005 when the above rates will be reviewed.

The University paid K£8,143 (2002 K£7,463) into USS as contributions in the year to 31st July 2003.

- b) CUPF and LGS are both defined benefit schemes based on final pensionable salary. An estimate of the financial position of the two funds was carried out at 31st July 2002 by qualified actuaries. The estimate was based on the most recent valuations which were 31st July 2001 for CUPF and 31st March 2001 for LGS. The University paid the following contributions in the year to 31st July 2003:-

CUPF – K£2,218 (2002 K£1,076)
LGS – K£443 (2002 K£487)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued**33. PENSION SCHEMES (Continued)****Implementation of FRS17 – Retirement Benefits (continued)**

The major assumptions used by the actuaries were:

<u>CUPF</u>	<u>31st July 2003</u>	<u>31st July 2002</u>
Salary Increases	4%	4%
Increases to pensions and deferred pensions	2.5%	2.5%
Discount Rate	5.5%	5.85%
RPI	2.5%	2.5%

<u>LGS</u>	<u>31st July 2003</u>	<u>31st July 2002</u>
Salary Increases	4.2%	3.9%
Increases to pensions and deferred pensions	2.7%	2.4%
Discount Rate	5.5%	6%
RPI	2.7%	2.4%

The assets of the schemes and expected returns on assets were:

<u>CUPF</u>	<u>31st July 2003</u>		<u>31st July 2002</u>	
	M£	%	M£	%
UK equities	18.0	7.25	15.6	7.25
Overseas equities	8.2	7.25	6.4	7.25
Fixed interest bonds	6.3	5.50	7.1	5.85
Index linked bonds	3.2	4.75	3.6	5.00
Cash	0.5	3.50	0.7	4.00
Property	<u>2.3</u>	<u>7.25</u>	<u>2.1</u>	<u>7.25</u>
Total Assets	<u>38.5</u>	<u>6.70</u>	<u>35.5</u>	<u>6.70</u>

<u>LGS</u>	<u>31st July 2003</u>		<u>31st July 2002</u>	
	M£	%	M£	%
Equities	7.94	7.8	7.48	7.9
Bonds	1.58	4.8	1.59	4.9
Property	0.35	6.8	-	-
Other Assets	<u>0.67</u>	<u>3.3</u>	<u>0.94</u>	<u>3.4</u>
Total Assets	<u>10.54</u>	<u>7.0</u>	<u>10.01</u>	<u>7.0</u>

The financial position of the schemes are:

<u>CUPF</u>	<u>31st July 2003</u>	<u>31st July 2002</u>
	M£	M£
The assets of the scheme	38.5	35.5
Actuarial liabilities	<u>(52.9)</u>	<u>(46.3)</u>
Net pension liability	<u>(14.4)</u>	<u>(10.8)</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued33. **PENSION SCHEMES** (Continued)Implementation of FRS17 – Retirement Benefits (continued)

<u>LGS</u>	<u>31st July 2003</u> M£	<u>31st July 2002</u> M£
The share of the assets of the scheme	10.54	10.01
Actuarial liabilities	<u>(19.67)</u>	<u>(16.22)</u>
Net pension liability	<u>(9.13)</u>	<u>(6.21)</u>

If the above amounts had been recognised in the financial statements, the University's net assets and income and expenditure reserve would be as follows:

	<u>31st July 2003</u> M£	<u>31st July 2002</u> M£
Net assets excluding pension liability	273.33	259.57
Pension liability	<u>(23.53)</u>	<u>(17.01)</u>
Net assets including pension liability	<u>249.80</u>	<u>242.56</u>
Income & expenditure reserve excluding pension liability	45.88	39.79
Pension reserve	<u>(23.53)</u>	<u>(17.01)</u>
Income and expenditure reserve	<u>22.35</u>	<u>22.78</u>

Additionally, if the pension costs had been recognised in accordance with FRS17, the following components of the pensions charge would have been recognised in the income and expenditure account and statement of recognised gains and losses for the year ended 31st July 2003:

	<u>Year ended 31st July 2003</u>	
	<u>CUPF</u> M£	<u>LGS</u> M£
Analysis of amounts charged to income and expenditure account:		
Current service cost	<u>1.7</u>	<u>0.4</u>
Financing:		
- expected return on pension scheme assets	2.4	0.7
- interest on expected scheme liabilities	<u>(2.8)</u>	<u>(0.9)</u>
Net return	<u>(0.4)</u>	<u>(0.2)</u>

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued**33. PENSION SCHEMES (Continued)****Implementation of FRS17 – Retirement Benefits (continued)**

Analysis of amounts recognised in statement
of total recognised gains and losses:

Actual return less actual return on pension scheme assets

Experience gains and losses arising on scheme liabilities

Changes in assumptions underlying the present value of
scheme liabilities

Total actuarial loss recognised

<u>Year ended 31st July 2003</u>	
<u>CUPF</u>	<u>LGS</u>
<u>M£</u>	<u>M£</u>
(0.1)	(0.4)
0.1	-
<u>(3.7)</u>	<u>(2.4)</u>
<u>(3.7)</u>	<u>(2.8)</u>

The total, the movement in the University's share of the scheme's deficit during the year is made up as follows:

Deficit on scheme at 1st August 2002

Movement in year:

- current service cost

- contributions

- other finance expense

- actuarial loss

Deficit on scheme at 31st July 2003

<u>Year ended 31st July 2003</u>	
<u>CUPF</u>	<u>LGS</u>
<u>M£</u>	<u>M£</u>
(10.8)	(6.2)
(1.7)	(0.4)
2.2	0.5
(0.4)	(0.2)
<u>(3.7)</u>	<u>(2.8)</u>
<u>(14.4)</u>	<u>(9.1)</u>

The experience gains and losses for the year ended 31st July 2003 were as follows:

Difference between the expected and actual return
on scheme assets:

Amount (M£)

Percentage of scheme assets

Experience gains and losses on scheme liabilities:

Amount (M£)

Percentage of the present value of scheme liabilities

Total amount recognised in the statement of total
recognised gains and losses:

Amount (M£)

Percentage of the present value of the scheme liabilities

<u>Year ended 31st July 2003</u>	
<u>CUPF</u>	<u>LGS</u>
(0.1)	(0.4)
0.3%	3.5%
0.1	-
-	-
(3.7)	(2.8)
7%	14%

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - Continued**34. ACCESS FUNDS****Consolidated and University**

	<u>2002/03</u> £000	<u>2001/02</u> £000
Funding Council Grants	997	1,375
Interest Gained	<u>11</u>	<u>21</u>
	1,008	1,396
Disbursed to Students	<u>(932)</u>	<u>(1,239)</u>
Balance Unspent at 31st July	<u>76</u>	<u>157</u>
Funds carry over 2003/04	<u>76</u>	<u>157</u>

Funding Council 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.

35. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Due to the nature of the University's operations and the composition of the Council (being drawn from local public and private sector organisations) it is possible that transactions may take place with organisations in which a member of the Council may have an interest. 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.