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CRANFIELD UNIVERSITY

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31st July, 2013

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OPERATING AND FINANCIAL REVIEW

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY, 2013

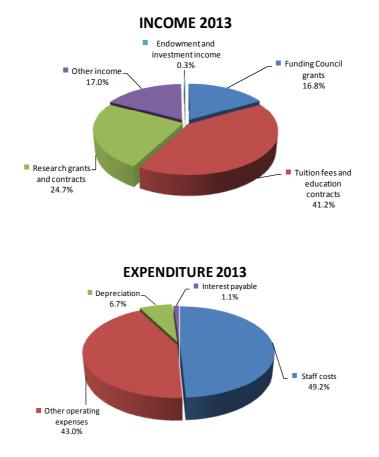
The activities of the University include teaching, research, design and development work in the fields of engineering, applied science, manufacturing and management. Operations are primarily carried out on campuses at Cranfield in Bedfordshire and Shrivenham in Oxfordshire. The University is an exempt charity subject to the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements comprise the consolidated results of the University and its subsidiaries. Subsidiary companies undertake activities which, for legal and commercial reasons, are more appropriately channelled through a limited company and include the development of activities emanating from Cranfield University.

Results for the year and position at year end

The consolidated results for the year ended 31st July, 2013 are summarised below:-

	2013	2012
	£'000	£'000
Income Expenditure	162,224 (162,609)	166,224 (165,663)
(Deficit) / surplus for year retained in general reserves	(385)	561



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Results for the year and position at year end (continued...)

Income was 2.4% lower compared to the previous year. Although funding council grants and research fell in the year, tuition fees and other income both grew. The deficit for the year retained in general reserves was £385,000 (2012 surplus - £561,000). This result was after charging staff restructuring costs of £1.3m, the savings from which will impact future years.

Capital expenditure in the year amounted to £6,924,000 (2012 - £9,728,000). This includes a number of infrastructure projects on the Cranfield campus. Also in the year, Cranfield sold the property and business of Sudbury House Hotel as detailed in note 31.

The statement of consolidated cash flow shows an increase in cash of £9,699,000. Net cash inflows from operating activities were £4,710,000 as shown in Note 25.

Consolidated reserves and endowments increased by £4,072,000 (2012 – decrease by £7,516,000) as explained in the statement of total recognised gains and losses on page 21. This includes a decrease of \pounds 2,597,000 relating to the pension loss on the Bedfordshire County Council pension fund as shown in Note 29.

Principal risks and uncertainties

The University receives a smaller proportion of its income from HEFCE, which was 16.8% for the 2012/13 year, than the majority of the sector. This reflects the distinctive mission of Cranfield as a wholly postgraduate University. However, it also receives a significant amount of income from other organisations that are directly or indirectly impacted by the general state of public finances and the economy.

As with other Higher Education Institutions, Cranfield is vulnerable to decisions made by HEFCE, Research Councils and other Government bodies. In particular, Cranfield continues to rely heavily on the 'institution-specific funding' it receives from HEFCE. It was, therefore, particularly pleasing to have successfully secured this funding in the year till 31st July 2016. There does, however, remain uncertainty beyond 2016 of this funding. The funding for postgraduates and their access to funding sources to finance their studies continues to be of a concern and innovative solutions will be needed by both the university and the sector more generally, to ensure we continue to educate a diverse range of UK postgraduates for the benefit of our economy.

The University is at risk from cost inflation, especially that related to employment costs. Pension costs continue to rise and a tight control of salary costs is vital to the future sustainability of the University.

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Key Performance Indicators (KPI's):-

The University benchmarks its performance against the rest of the sector, where comparable information is available:-

	Cranfield Actual 2013	Cranfield Actual 2012	Mean Average HEFCE funded HEI* Forecast 2013
Income (reduction) / growth	(2.4%)	(1.8%)	3.5%
(Deficit)/surplus for year as a % of total income	(0.2%)	0.3%	2.7%
Staff costs before exceptional costs as a % of total income	48.8%	47.9%	53.2%
Cash flow from operating activities as a % of total income	2.9%	4.9%	6.4%
Net liquidity as number of days expenditure	76	53	118
External borrowings as a % of total income	11.6%	11.3%	25.9%
Discretionary reserves (excluding FRS17) as a % of total income	43.0%	41.7%	58.8%

*Source: HEFCE Sept 2013

The table above reflects the position that, despite a very challenging year in terms of income generation and bottom line performance, the University remains in sound financial health. Of particular note, is that the University's financial policy of restricting borrowing only to finance capital projects with a strong direct income stream to make the repayments, positions Cranfield with significantly lower relative borrowings than the majority of the sector.

Outlook for 2013/2014

The 2013/2014 financial year will continue to be difficult whilst both the UK and global economy remain as they are. However, continued tight control of expenditure means that it is the current expectation that the budgeted surplus of \pounds 1.1 million approved by Council in July 2013 will be achieved, provided income levels can be maintained.

Pensions

Under Financial Reporting Standard 17 (FRS 17), where the University's share of the underlying assets and liabilities of defined benefit schemes can be identified, a net pension asset or liability is required to be included in the accounts.

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Pensions (continued...)

As it is not possible to identify each participating institution's share of the underlying assets and liabilities of the Universities Superannuation Scheme, it is accounted for as if it is a defined contribution scheme with contributions charged as they become payable. At the last valuation as at 31st March, 2011, the assets were sufficient to cover 92% of the benefits which had accrued to members after allowing for expected future increases in earnings measured on a 'technical provisions' basis.

The share of underlying assets and liabilities of the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) is able to be identified as at 31st July, 2013 and there is a net pension liability of £43,029,000 (2012 - £40,181,000) applicable to the University. Details are provided in Note 29.

Trading activities of subsidiaries

The venture companies are financially independent from the University and are administered through Cranfield Ventures Ltd. In addition to these companies, there are other subsidiaries undertaking core and related activities for the University. The Sudbury House Hotel operation was sold to a third party on 31 May, 2013 as detailed in Note 31.

Public Benefit report

The University is an exempt charity under the terms of the Charities Act 2011. The objects of the University are to:

- advance, disseminate and apply learning, knowledge and understanding with particular emphasis on the disciplines of the Sciences, Technology, Engineering and Management; and
- promote and encourage the transformation and application of that wisdom, knowledge and learning for the benefit of industry, the public services, and individuals and for the public benefit.

In reviewing the University's activities, Council has had due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on the reporting of public benefit as amended in December 2011. Of the specific examples of charitable activities highlighted in section 3 of the 2011 Act, Cranfield makes a significant contribution to the majority of them. These include:-

- the advancement of education
- the prevention or relief of poverty
- the advancement of health or the saving of lives
- the advancement of citizenship or community development
- the advancement of the arts, culture, heritage or science
- the advancement of human rights, conflict resolution or reconciliation or the promotion of religious or racial harmony or equality and diversity
- the advancement of environmental protection or improvement
- the promotion of the efficiency of the armed forces of the Crown, or of the efficiency of the police, fire and rescue services or ambulance services.

The University's website and publications, such as Cranfield's corporate brochure, provide further details of these activities.

Public Benefit report (continued...)

Cranfield's students are drawn from over one hundred countries. As a research-intensive institution, the University has a commitment to widening participation for postgraduates; in particular the recruitment of:

- older/experienced 'return to study' applicants
- less conventionally qualified but experienced applicants, and
- those improving their skills by studying with Cranfield flexibly whilst in employment.

The University provides a wide range of scholarships and bursaries to enable participation by those students who would not otherwise be able to afford to study at the University.

Employment of disabled persons

Applications by disabled persons for employment and for admission to courses of study or research are always fully considered, bearing in mind the aptitudes of the applicant concerned. In the event of existing staff and students becoming disabled every effort is made to ensure that their employment or study with the University continues and that appropriate training and support is arranged. It is the policy of the University that the training, career development and promotion and opportunities to undertake study and research should, as far as possible, be identical for all staff and students.

Employee involvement

The University places considerable value on the involvement of its employees and on good communication with them. A regular newsletter is made available to all staff and separate supplements are published when the need arises. Staff are encouraged to participate in formal and informal consultation at University and School levels, sometimes through the membership of formal committees. In addition, information for staff is included on an intranet site.

Environmental issues

The University is committed to sustainable development by integrating environmental issues into all aspects of its work and management processes. Environmental responsibilities are met through the management of the University's campuses and premises, through its dealings with client groups and trading partners, through the design and delivery of its academic, research and professional services and through its interaction with the local community.

Carbon Management Plan

The University has a target to reduce its Carbon emissions by 50% by 2020 compared with a 2005 baseline. From 2005 Carbon emissions were growing; however since the implementation of the plan in 2009 emissions have generally reduced and are now 8% lower than the 2005 level. This year, however, there was an increase in emissions due to the exceptionally cold winter and spring. Our carbon footprint has been restated for all years in order to account for material changes to the conversion factors provided by DEFRA for company reporting purposes.

Year	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13
Tonnes C0 ₂	17,700	17,700	19,300	19,000	17,300	16,400	14,900	16,200

The emissions reported above include electricity, heating, process fuels and on site vehicle fuels for the whole University estate but excluding Shrivenham Campus. Reporting years are from August to July. Other transport emissions and emissions associated with waste and water are not included at present although there are plans to include these within the footprint for future reports. Further information on the Carbon Management Plan can be found on the University website.

Health and Safety

The University is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment by taking effective means to manage our risks and protect people from being harmed. There is a process of continuous improvement in the management of health and safety in all areas of work and study. Regular health and safety audits and risk assessments are undertaken with remedial action following hazard identification.

Payment of creditors

It is the University's policy to obtain the optimum terms for all business and, thus, there is no single policy as to the terms used. In agreements negotiated with suppliers, the University endeavours to include and abide by specific payment terms in accordance with best commercial practice.

Corporate governance

The University is committed to following best practice in all aspects of corporate governance. This year's statement appears on pages 8 to 10 which reports full compliance with the UK Corporate Governance Code provisions relating to risk management.

Conclusion

Despite a difficult year for income generation, the University's overall financial position means it is soundly placed to face the challenges and opportunities that will present themselves in the future.

C P Fairweather MA FCA Chair of Finance Committee

17th October, 2013

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

The following statement is given to enable readers of the financial statements to obtain a better understanding of the legal structure of the University and the governance procedures applied by the University's Council.

In March 2013, Her Majesty The Queen in Council approved revisions to the University's Charter and Statutes. The primary impact of these revisions on governance was to make the University Council the unambiguous governing body for the University, in line with the governance guidelines of the Higher Education Funding Council for England. Following the approval of the Charter and Statutes, Council approved a revised set of Ordinances and Senate approved new Regulations; together, the Charter, Statutes, Ordinances and regulations make up the University Laws.

Council's functions, as articulated in the Charter, are to: be ultimately responsible for the affairs of the University; determine the strategic direction of the University; ensure the effective management and control of the University's affairs, property and finances; determine the structure, staffing and overall composition of the University; appoint the Pro-Chancellor; and appoint and dismiss the Vice-Chancellor.

The principal academic and administrative officer of the University is the Chief Executive and Vice-Chancellor who has a general responsibility to the Council for maintaining and promoting the efficiency and good order of the University. Under the terms of the formal Financial Memorandum between the University and the Higher Education Funding Council for England, the Vice-Chancellor is the accountable officer of the University and in that capacity can be summoned to appear before the Public Accounts Committee of the House of Commons.

The University endeavours to conduct its business in accordance with the relevant parts of the UK Corporate Governance Code 2010 issued by the Financial Reporting Council. Whilst the University, being an independent corporation incorporated by Royal Charter and having exempt charitable status, does not fall within the scope of the Code, the Council is satisfied that the University has complied throughout the period with those provisions which can be applied to Universities.

The matters specially reserved to the Council for decision are defined by the University Laws and by custom in line with the Financial Memorandum with the Higher Education Funding Council for England.

The Council has a majority of members from outside the University, (described as independent members), from whom the Chairman and Deputy Chairman must be drawn. Also included in its membership are staff of the University and a member nominated by the student body. The composition of the Council and the procedures for appointment of members, their tenure and removal from office, are determined by the Statutes of the University.

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The Council meets at least four times a year and has four standing Committees, Finance, Nominations, Remuneration and Audit. Each of these Committees is formally constituted with terms of reference and comprises mainly independent members of the Council.

- Finance Committee meets at least four times a year and, inter alia, recommends to the Council the University's annual revenue and capital budgets and monitors performance quarterly in relation to the approved budgets. The Committee also reviews the University's annual financial statements for reporting to the Council.
- Nominations Committee considers nominations for vacancies in the independent membership of Council under the relevant Statute and makes recommendations to the Council for such appointments.
- **Remuneration Committee** determines the annual remuneration of the Vice-Chancellor and such other senior members of staff as decided by Council.
- Audit Committee meets on at least three occasions annually to review the work of the internal and external auditors. The Committee considers detailed audit reports, together with recommendations, for the improvement of the University's systems of internal control, governance, risk management and value for money, as well as management's responses and implementation plans.

Most independent members of the Council do not receive any payment, apart from the reimbursement of expenses, for the work they undertake for the University. However, certain members are remunerated for specific responsibilities other than those of the Council membership.

The report of the Chair of Finance Committee is given on pages 2 to 7 and the responsibilities of the Council are outlined on page 11. The annual financial statements are presented in a format which is in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards and the 2007 Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting for Further and Higher Education.

The Council is also responsible for the University's internal control system and for monitoring its effectiveness. Such a system is designed to manage rather than eliminate the risk of failure to achieve the University's overall objective and mission, as well as its annual strategic aims. It can only provide reasonable, but not absolute, assurance against any material misstatement or loss. The key features of the control system are:-

• Risk management – whilst it is neither possible nor desirable to eliminate risk from the University's activities, there is an ongoing process for the recognition, assessment and management of all significant opportunities and risks. This process has been in place for the year and up to the date of approval of the annual financial statements. The process is reviewed regularly by the Finance Committee on behalf of the Council and it accords with the UK Corporate Governance Code provisions relating to risk management. The Finance Committee reports annually to the Council on its review. Exposure and control analyses, including mitigating factors and counter measures, are prepared annually and are monitored by key performance indicators and controls. The results from these reviews inform the planning, reporting and budgetary control processes. The management of each significant risk is assigned to one or more individuals and built into personal objectives as part of the staff development and appraisal procedures, which identify training needs. Staff generally are asked to report perceived significant risks.

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- Control environment clear definitions of the responsibilities of, and the authority delegated to, heads of academic and administrative departments are established. There is a Financial Manual, detailing financial controls and procedures which is approved by the Council as well as other management policies. Compliance with the Financial Manual is a requirement included in contracts of employment. The approach to internal control is risk based and embedded in effective management systems.
- Information and control systems the University has a comprehensive medium and short-term planning process, supplemented by detailed annual revenue, capital and cash flow budgets. There are clearly defined and formalised requirements for approval and control of expenditure with investment decisions involving capital or revenue expenditure being subject to formal detailed appraisal and review according to approval levels set by the Council. There are regular reviews of operating results involving variance reporting and updates of estimated out-turns. In relation to academic information and control systems, the University's Senate, Teaching Committee and Faculty Boards oversee detailed processes to maintain and control the quality and standards of the University's academic work.
- Monitoring system the effectiveness of the information and internal control systems and control environment are monitored by management review, the internal audit function and the Audit Committee, on behalf of the Council. As part of their audit responsibilities, the external auditors also provide reports to the Audit Committee on the operation of aspects of the University's internal control system.

On the basis of the above control system, procedures have been in place for the whole financial year to enable a full statement on internal control to be made for the year and up to the date of the approval of the Financial Statements.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COUNCIL OF CRANFIELD UNIVERSITY

The Council is the supreme governing body of the University. Its principal responsibilities are based on the Model Statement taken from the Committee of University Chairs' Guide for members of Higher Education Governing Bodies, adapted to reflect the powers and responsibilities that Council derives from the University Laws. These responsibilities are to:

- approve the mission and strategic vision of the University, long-term strategic and business
 plans including key performance indicators, and to ensure that these meet the interests of
 stakeholders;
- appoint, on the recommendation of a Joint Appointing Committee of Council and Senate, the Vice-Chancellor as Chief Executive of the University. To establish the conditions of appointment and the arrangements for monitoring his/her performance;
- be responsible for the removal of the Vice-Chancellor for good cause in accordance with the University Laws;
- delegate authority to the Vice-Chancellor for the academic, corporate, financial, estate and personnel management of the institution;
- establish and keep under regular review the policies, procedures and limits within such management functions as will be undertaken by and under the authority of the Vice-Chancellor;
- ensure the establishment and monitoring of systems of control and accountability, including financial and operational controls and risk assessment, and procedures for handling internal grievances and for managing conflicts of interest;
- ensure that processes are in place to monitor and evaluate the performance and effectiveness of Cranfield University against the plans and approved key performance indicators, which will, where possible and appropriate, be benchmarked against other comparable institutions;
- establish processes to monitor and evaluate the performance and effectiveness of the Council and the wider governance of the University;
- conduct its business in accordance with best practice in higher education corporate governance and with the principles of public life drawn up by the Committee on Standards in Public Life;
- safeguard the good name and values of the institution;
- appoint a Secretary to Council, on the recommendation of a Joint Appointing Committee of Council and Senate;
- be the employing authority for all staff in the University and to be responsible for ensuring the establishment of a human resources strategy;
- be the principal financial and business authority of the University, to ensure that proper books of account are kept, to approve the annual budget and financial statements, and to have overall responsibility for the University's assets, property and estate;
- be the University's legal authority and, as such, to ensure that systems are in place for meeting all the University's legal obligations, including those arising from contracts and other legal commitments made in the University's name;

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- make such provision as it thinks fit for the general welfare of students, in consultation with Senate;
- act as trustee for any property, legacy, endowment, bequest or gift in support of the work and welfare of the University; and
- ensure that the University's Laws are followed at all times and that appropriate advice is available to enable this to happen.

Members of Council

The following members served throughout the period from 1^{st} August 2012 to 17^{th} October 2013 unless otherwise stated:-

Name	Position	Period
Dame Deirdre Hutton*	Pro-Chancellor & Chair of Council	from 25 October 2012
Mr Gordon Page*	Pro-Chancellor & Chair of Council	until 24 October 2012
Baroness Young of Old Scone*	Chancellor	
Professor Sir John O'Reilly *	Vice-Chancellor	until 31 January 2013
Professor Clifford Friend		,
Mr Paul Fairweather	Chair of Finance Committee	
Dr Andreas Raffel	Deputy Chair of Council	
Ms Rachel Abercrombie	· · ·	
Mr Habeeb Ajimotokan		from 1 May 2013
Professor Jackie Akhavan		
Mrs Alison Amatsah		until 30 September 2013
Dr Tracey Bailey		
Mr Michael Barstow		until 31 May 2013
Mr John Cridland		
Mr Robin Howard*	Treasurer	until 1 November 2012
Mr Dougie Hunter		
Major General (Retd) David Jenkins	Chair of Audit Committee	
Professor Joe Lunec		until 30 September 2013
Mrs Moni Mannings		from 1 June 2013
Mr Ian Mather		until 31 March 2013
Mr Stephen Odell		
Mr Atma Prakash		until 30 April 2013
Mrs Louise Redmond		
Dr Matthew Russell		
Professor Lynette Ryals*	Pro-Vice-Chancellor	until 30 September 2013
Dr Frances Saunders		
Professor Mark Savill		until 30 September 2013
Professor Tom Stephenson		until 30 September 2013
Mr Philip Young		until 31 May 2013

*Ex-officio

From 1st February 2013 to 31st July, 2013 Professor Clifford Friend served as Acting Vice-Chancellor. On 1st August, 2013 Professor Sir Peter Gregson was appointed Chief Executive and Vice-Chancellor and therefore became an ex-officio member of Council from that date.

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The Council is required to present audited financial statements for each financial year and for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the University and to enable it to ensure that the financial statements are prepared in accordance with the Statutes of the University, the 2007 Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting for Further and Higher Education and other relevant Accounting Standards. In addition, within the terms and conditions of a Financial Memorandum agreed between the Higher Education Funding Council for England and the Council of Cranfield 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 the Group and of the surplus or deficit and cash flows for that year.

In causing the financial statements to be prepared, 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 will continue in operation. The Council is satisfied that the University 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 the Higher Education Funding Council for England are used only for the purposes for which they have been given and in accordance with the Financial Memorandum with the Funding Council and any other conditions which the Funding Council 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 the Group and prevent and detect fraud;
- secure the economical, efficient and effective management of the University's resources and expenditure.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE COUNCIL OF CRANFIELD UNIVERSITY

We have audited the Group and University financial statements (the "financial statements") of Cranfield University for the year ended 31st July 2013 which comprise the Consolidated Income and Expenditure Account, the Consolidated and University Balance Sheets, the Consolidated Cash Flow Statement and the Statement of Consolidated Total Recognised Gains and Losses, the Accounting Policies and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

This report is made solely to the Council, in accordance with the Charter and Statutes of the University. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Council those matters we are required to state to it in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Council, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective Responsibilities of the University Council and Auditors

As explained more fully in the Responsibilities of the Council of Cranfield University's Statement set out on page 11 the Council is responsible for the preparation of financial statements which 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.

Scope of the audit of the financial statements

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's and the University's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Council; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Operating and Financial Review and Treasurer's Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the affairs of the Group and University as at 31st July 2013 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; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice Accounting for Further and Higher Education;

Opinion on other matters prescribed in the HEFCE Audit Code of Practice issued under the Further and Higher Education Act 1992

In our opinion, in all material respects:

- funds from whatever source administered by the University for specific purposes have been properly applied to those purposes;
- income has been applied in accordance with the University's Statutes; and

• funds provided by HEFCE have been applied in accordance with the Financial Memorandum and any other terms and conditions attached to them.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matter where the HEFCE Audit Code of Practice issued under the Further and Higher Education Act 1992 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

• the statement of internal control included as part of the Corporate Governance Statement is inconsistent with our knowledge of the University and group.

A Argyle (Senior Partner) for and on behalf of KPMG LLP, Statutory Auditor Chartered Accountants One Snowhill Snow Hill Queensway Birmingham B4 6GH

17th October, 2013

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1. Basis of accounting and preparation

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention as modified by the revaluation of endowment asset investments and land and in accordance with both the 2007 Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting for Further and Higher Education (SORP) and applicable Accounting Standards.

2. Basis of consolidation

The consolidated financial statements include the financial statements of the University and all its subsidiaries prepared up to the end of the financial year. They do not include the financial statements of student associations as it is considered the University has limited financial interest and no control or significant influence over policy decisions.

3. 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 in foreign currencies are translated into sterling at the rate of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date. The resulting exchange differences are reflected in the income and expenditure account for the financial year.

4. Recognition of income

Income represents amounts invoiced for goods and services, excluding value added tax, supplied in the period and in the case of research, design and development includes the value of work carried out but not yet invoiced. In the case of grants, the value claimable at the date of the balance sheet is brought into account. All income from cash deposits and endowments including realised profits on disposal of assets, is credited to the income and expenditure account in the period in which it is earned. Income from endowments not expended in accordance with the restrictions of the endowment is transferred from the income and expenditure account to endowments.

Non-recurrent grants received in respect of the acquisition or construction of fixed assets are treated as deferred capital grants and amortised in line with depreciation over the lives of the assets.

5. **Research and development**

Expenditure on research and development is charged to the income and expenditure account in the year in which it is incurred.

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6. Tangible fixed assets

(1) Land and buildings

Land is stated at valuation and is revalued triennially. The basis of valuation is open market value for existing use, and in the case of the technology park, open market value with vacant possession. The most recent valuation was carried out as at 31st July, 2013 by Gerald Eve LLP. Freehold land is not depreciated as it is considered to have an indefinite useful life. Where land is held for resale and a conditional sale agreement is in place at the year end the land is revalued to the anticipated net proceeds and retained in fixed assets.

Freehold and leasehold buildings are stated at cost and depreciated over their expected useful lives or the life of the lease, whichever is shorter. Where there is a permanent reduction in value, provision is made in the financial statements.

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 the income and expenditure account over the expected useful life of the buildings. If a building is sold prior to the full release of the deferred capital grant, and no repayment is required to the grant funder, the residual value of the grant is transferred to the income and expenditure reserve as a recognised gain through the statement of consolidated total recognised gains and losses.

(2) 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 at cost and depreciated over its expected useful life.

Where equipment is acquired with the aid of specific grants or gifts, it is capitalised and depreciated as above. The related grants or gifts are treated as deferred capital grants and released to the income and expenditure account over the expected useful life of the equipment. If equipment is sold prior to the full release of the deferred capital grant, and no repayment is required to the grant funder, the residual value of the grant is transferred to the income and expenditure reserve as a recognised gain through the statement of consolidated total recognised gains and losses.

(3) Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated on the original cost of the assets at the following rates:-

Buildings	2% - 5% per annum
Fixtures and fittings	10% per annum
Equipment	20% - 33.33 % per annum
Plant and machinery	5% - 25% per annum

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7. Leases

Leasing agreements that transfer to the University substantially all the benefits and risks of ownership are considered to be finance leases. All other leases are operating leases.

Fixed assets held under finance leases and the related lease obligations are recorded in the balance sheet at the fair value of the leased assets at the inception of the lease. The excess of lease payments over recorded lease obligations is treated as finance charges which is amortised over each lease term to give a constant rate of charge on the remaining balance of the obligations.

Rental costs under operating leases are charged to expenditure over the periods of the leases.

8. Investments

(1) Endowment asset investments are included in the balance sheet at market value, with land revalued triennially. The most recent land valuation was carried out as at 31st July, 2013 by Gerald Eve LLP.

Current asset investments are included at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

(2) Investment in subsidiaries is included in the balance sheet at cost, less any provisions for impairment.

9. Stock

Stock is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

10. Work in progress

Work in progress is stated at cost plus attributable overheads less provisions for any known or anticipated deficits and payments on account receivable.

11. Taxation status

The University is an exempt charity within the meaning of Schedule 3 of the Charities Act 2011 and as such is a charity within the meaning of Para 1 of Schedule 6 of the Finance Act 2010. Accordingly, the University is potentially exempt from corporation tax or capital gains tax to the extent that such income or gains are applied to exclusively charitable purposes.

The University receives no similar exemption in respect of Value Added Tax. The University's subsidiary companies are subject to corporation tax and Value Added Tax in the same way as any commercial organisation.

12. Deferred taxation

Deferred taxation is recognised as a liability or asset if transactions or events have occurred by the balance sheet date that give rise to an obligation to pay more taxation, or a right to pay less taxation, in future. An asset is not recognised to the extent that the transfer of economic benefits in future is uncertain. Deferred tax assets and liabilities recognised are not discounted.

PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(continued...)

13. Maintenance of premises

The cost of all maintenance is charged to the income and expenditure account as incurred. Provisions are made for dilapidation of leasehold property where an appropriate obligation exists.

14. Pension schemes

The two principal pension schemes of the University's employees are the Universities Superannuation Scheme (USS) and the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) administered by Bedfordshire County Council.

Details of the schemes are included in Note 29. For defined benefit schemes, 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. As it is not possible to identify each participating institution's share of the underlying assets and liabilities of the USS, which is a defined benefit scheme, contributions to the scheme are accounted for as if it were a defined contribution scheme. For defined contribution schemes, the employers' contributions are charged as they become payable.

15. Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the University has a present legal or constructive obligation as a result of a past event and 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.

16. Going concern

The University considers that it has sufficient financial resources and is confident that its future income streams will maintain these resources. Council believe that the University is well placed to effectively manage its business risks, despite the current uncertain economic situation.

Council have a reasonable expectation that the University has adequate resources to continue operating in existence for the foreseeable future. Thus, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements.

CONSOLIDATED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY, 2013

	2013	2012
Notes	£'000	£'000
1 2 3 4	27,260 66,833 40,105 27,532 494	28,107 64,973 47,423 25,470 251
	162,224	166,224
5 6 7 8	80,526 70,339 10,939 1,928	80,631 73,447 10,225 1,702
	163,732	166,005
ζ.	(1,508)	219
31	416	(28)
ets 9	(1,092)	
ets	(1,092)	191
	707	370
	(385)	561
	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 31 ets 9	Notes $\pounds'000$ 1 27,260 2 66,833 40,105 3 3 27,532 4 494 162,224 162,224 5 80,526 6 70,339 7 10,939 8 1,928 163,732 (1,508) 31 416 ets (1,092) 9 - ets (1,092) 9 - 20,000 707

The consolidated income and expenditure account relates to continuing operations. The deficit for the year attributable to the University is £152,000 (2012 – surplus £759,000).

The notes on pages 24 to 44 form part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CONSOLIDATED TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY, 2013

		2013	2012
	Notes	£'000	£'000
(Deficit) / surplus for the year retained in general reserves Transfer from accumulated income within endowments		(385) (707)	561 (370)
(Deficit) / surplus after depreciation and disposal of assets an	nd tax	(1,092)	191
Actuarial loss recognised	29	(2,597)	(9,765)
Revaluation of endowment asset investments:	19	218	(41)
New endowments Land revaluation Transfer from deferred capital grant	19 20	367 7,176 -	279 - 1,820
Total recognised (losses) / gains relating to the period		4,072	(7,516)
Reconciliation			
Opening reserves and endowments Total recognised gains / (losses) for the year		66,220 4,072	73,736 (7,516)
Closing reserves and endowments		70,292	66,220

STATEMENT OF CONSOLIDATED HISTORICAL COST SURPLUS AND DEFICITS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY, 2013

		2013	2012
	Notes	£'000	£'000
(Deficit) / surplus after depreciation and disposal of assets before tax		(1,092)	191
Historical cost (deficit) / surplus for the year before tax		(1,092)	191
Historical cost (deficit) / surplus for the year after tax		(1,092)	191
Historical cost (deficit) / surplus after tax retained within general reserves		(385)	561

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BALANCE SHEETS AT 31ST JULY, 2013

		CONSC	OLIDATED	UNIV	ERSITY
		2013	2012	2013	2012
	Notes	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Fixed assets	10	20	40		
Intangible assets	10 11	29 160,440	42 158,255	- 152,880	- 151,040
Tangible assets Investments	13	100,440	106,200	3,758	3,758
Investments	15		-	3,730	3,736
Total Fixed Assets		160,469	158,297	156,638	154,798
Endowment assets	12	5,795	5,917	7,223	7,345
Current assets					
Stock		242	229	180	153
Debtors	14	32,158	46,449	30,564	44,520
Cash at bank and in hand		34,036	24,295	31,833	22,167
Total current assets		66,436	70,973	62,577	66,840
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	(49,927)	(53,136)	(45,061)	(48,339)
Net current assets		16,509	17,837	17,516	18,501
Total assets less current liabilities		182,773	182,051	181,377	180,644
Creditors: amounts falling due after more					
than one year	16	(17,360)	(17,486)	(17,360)	(17,486)
Provisions for liabilities and charges	17	(1,244)	(1,969)	(1,014)	(1,961)
Net assets excluding FRS17 pension liability Pension liability	22	164,169 (43,029)	162,596 (40,181)	163,003 (43,029)	161,197 (40,181)
Net assets including FRS17 pension liability		121,140	122,415	119,974	121,016
Financed by:-					
Deferred capital grants	18	50,848	56,195	50,848	56,195
Endowments					
Expendable	19	7,223	7,345	7,223	7,345
Reserves					
Income and expenditure reserve					
excluding pension reserve	21	62,591	61,975	61,425	60,576
Pension reserve	22	(43,029)	(40,181)	(43,029)	(40,181)
Income and expenditure account					
including pension reserve		19,562	21,794	18,396	20,395
Revaluation reserve	20	43,507	37,081	43,507	37,081
		63,069	58,875	61,903	57,476
Total funds		121,140	122,415	119,974	121,016

The financial statements on pages 16 to 44 were approved by the Council on 17th October, 2013 and signed on its behalf by:-

C P FAIRWEATHER MA FCA PROFESSOR SIR PETER GREGSON FREng MRIA TREASURER CHIEF EXECUTIVE & VICE-CHANCELLOR GROU	P J ASPINALL ACA JP DIRECTOR OF FINANCE & RESOURCES
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The notes on pages 24 to 44 form part of these accounts.

STATEMENT OF CONSOLIDATED CASH FLOWS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY, 2013

		2013	2012
	Notes	£'000	£'000
Net cash inflow from operating activities	25	4,710	8,153
Returns on investments and servicing of finance Interest received Interest paid Endowment income	19	74 (306) 111	196 (428) 55
Net cash outflow from returns on investments and servicing of finance		(121)	(177)
Taxation UK corporation tax paid		-	-
Capital expenditure and financial investment Purchase of fixed assets Endowment asset investments disposed (net)		(7,902) 707	(8,770) 370
		(7,195)	(8,400)
Proceeds of disposal of tangible fixed assets Proceeds of disposal of businesses Deferred capital grants received	31	12,225 450	9,226
Endowments received		367	279
Net cash inflow from capital expenditure and financial investment	_	5,847	1,105
Net cash inflow before use of liquid resources and financing		10,436	9,081
Financing New loans / leases Loans and finance leases repaid	26 26	639 (1,376)	(1,665)
Increase in cash in the year	27	9,699	7,416

The notes on pages 24 to 44 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY, 2013

		CONS 2013	OLIDATED 2012
		£'000	£'000
1.	Funding Council grants		
	Recurrent grant Special initiatives Deferred capital grants released	20,587 2,878	21,243 2,946
	Buildings (Note 18) Equipment (Note 18)	734 3,061	779 3,139
		27,260	28,107

Grants are receivable from the Higher Education Funding Council for England. In addition to the above, grants were received for capital purposes of £1,996,000 (2012 - £1,947,000).

2. Tuition fees and education contracts

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Long course fees Professional development courses Teaching contract	32,373 19,472 14,988	28,923 20,321 15,729
	66,833	64,973
Other income		
Residences and conference centres Rents from tenant organisations Deferred capital grants released	10,474 1,173	10,523 1,111
Buildings (Note 18)	826	814
Equipment (Note 18) Other	726 14,333	710 12,312
	27,532	25,470
Endowment and investment income		
Income from restricted expendable endowments (Note 19) Interest on bank deposits	111 383	55 196
	494	251

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY, 2013

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	CONSOLIDATED 2013 2012	
Staff	£'000	£'000
a. Staff costs Wages and salaries Social security costs Other pension costs	64,521 5,624 9,060 79,205	64,838 5,633 9,108
Exceptional staff restructuring costs	1,321 80,526	79,579 1,052 80,631
Emoluments paid for being the Acting Vice- Chancellor (Prof C Friend) Emoluments paid to the former Vice-Chancellor (Prof Sir J O'Reilly)	31 220	- 274

The emoluments of the Vice-Chancellor are shown on the same basis as for higher paid staff. The University's pension contributions to the Universities Superannuation Scheme are paid at the same rates for the Vice-Chancellor as for other academic staff and amounted to $\pounds14,000$ (2012 - $\pounds34,000$).

b.	The average number of employees during the year, expressed as full-time equivalents, was as follows:-	Number	Number
	Academic Research Technical Administrative and manual	421 256 192 891	426 270 185 896
		1,760	1,777
C.	Remuneration of other higher paid staff, excluding employer's pension contributions, were as follows:-		
	$\pounds100,000$ - $\pounds109,999$ $\pounds110,000$ - $\pounds119,999$ $\pounds120,000$ - $\pounds129,999$ $\pounds130,000$ - $\pounds139,999$ $\pounds140,000$ - $\pounds149,999$ $\pounds150,000$ - $\pounds159,999$ $\pounds190,000$ - $\pounds199,999$ $\pounds210,000$ - $\pounds219,999$ $\pounds230,000$ - $\pounds239,999$	13 9 3 4 1 - 1 1	9 10 3 1 2 - 1

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY, 2013

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		CONSOLIDATED 2013 2012	
6.	Other operating expenses	£'000	£'000
	Other operating amounts charged include:-		
	Equipment expensed Unrealised exchange loss/(gain) on Euro loan Auditors' remuneration:-	2,595 842	3,913 (834)
	 external audit other services including tax 	127 62	122 91
	Council members' expenses	3	4

Included in the above are audit fees in respect of the University only of £78,000 (2012 - £71,000)

Council members' expenses represent re-imbursement of amounts incurred in attending University meetings. No Council member received any payment for their role as a trustee. Dawson Howard International, a partnership in which Mr R Howard has an interest, provided consultancy services in the year and was paid, including expenses, £9,703 (2012 - £35,288).

7. Depreciation

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The depreciation charge has been funded by:-

Deferred capital grants released General income	5,347 5,592	5,442 4,783
	10,939	10,225
Interest payable		
Interest on long term loans repayable wholly or		
partly in more than five years	286	387
Pension finance costs (Note 29)	1,642	1,315
	1,928	1,702
Taxation		
Corporation tax charged / (credited) in the year:-		
UK corporation tax at 23.67% (2012 – 20.67%)	-	-
Prior years	-	-
	-	-

The tax assessed for the year is lower than the standard rate of corporation tax in the UK. The differences are explained below:

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY, 2013

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		CONSOLIDATED	
		2013	2012
9.	Taxation (continued)	£'000	£'000
	(Deficit) / surplus on ordinary activities before taxation	(385)	561
	Tax on surplus on ordinary activities multiplied by the lower rate of corporation tax in the UK of 23.67% (2012 – 20.67%) Factors affecting charge:	-	116
	University surplus exempt from corporation tax	-	(157)
	Other permanent differences	-	41
	Corporation tax charged in the year	-	

There are no significant unprovided amounts in respect of deferred taxation (2012 - £Nil).

10.	Intangible Assets – Consolidated	0/000
	Patent Applications:	£'000
	At beginning of year	42
	Additions Amortisation	2 (15)
	At end of year	29

		Land & Buildings		Fixtures,		
		Freehold	Leasehold	Equipment	Plant & Machinery	Total
11.	Tangible assets	£'000	£,000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	a. Consolidated					
	Cost/valuation					
	At beginning of year	155,772	1,444	36,196	62,429	255,841
	Additions Revaluation Disposals	(25) 6,426 (2,844)	- - -	1,944 - (922)	5,005 - (312)	6,924 6,426 (4,078)
	At end of year	159,329	1,444	37,218	67,122	265,113
	Cost Valuation	115,822 43,507	1,444 -	37,218	67,122 -	221,606 43,507
	Depreciation					
	At beginning of year	33,232	1,444	27,885	35,025	97,586
	Charge for year Disposals	2,769 (2,717)	-	3,034 (893)	5,136 (242)	10,939 (3,852)
	At end of year	33,284	1,444	30,026	39,919	104,673
	Net book amount					
	At end of year	126,045	-	7,192	27,203	160,440
	At beginning of year	122,540		8,311	27,404	158,255

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY, 2013

(continued...)

		Land & Buildings			Fixtures,	
		Freehold	Leasehold	Equipment	Plant & Machinery	Total
		£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
11.	Tangible assets (continued)					
	b. University					
	Cost/valuation					
	At beginning of year	149,542	1,444	35,841	56,498	243,325
	Additions	(25)	-	1,852	3,899	5,726
	Revaluation Disposals	6,426 (2,663)	-	- (917)	- (83)	6,426 (3,663)
	At end of year	153,280	1,444	36,776	60,314	251,814
	Cost Valuation	109,773 43,507	1,444	36,776	60,314 -	208,307 43,507
	Depreciation					
	At beginning of year	31,390	1,444	27,576	31,875	92,285
	Charge for year Disposals	2,636 (2,536)	-	3,011 (888)	4,509 (83)	10,156 (3,507)
	At end of year	31,490	1,444	29,699	36,301	98,934
	Net book amount					
	At end of year	121,790	-	7,077	24,013	152,880
	At beginning of year	118,152	-	8,265	24,623	151,040

The net book amounts of tangible fixed assets include £2,000 (2012 - £5,000) in respect of assets held under finance leases in the consolidated and University accounts respectively. The related depreciation charge for the year was £3,000 (2012 -£3,000). At 31st July, 2013 buildings, fixtures and plant included £1,647,000 (2012 - £2,483,000) in respect of assets under construction in the consolidated accounts. In the University assets under construction amounted to £1,462,000 (2012 -£2,302,000). The book value of Funding Council assets are disclosed in Note 18.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY, 2013 (continued...)

	CONSOLIDATED	UNIVERSITY
	£'000	£'000
12. Endowment assets		
At beginning of year	5,917	7,345
Additions Disposals	478 (818)	478 (818)
Revaluation	(340) 218	(340) 218
At end of year	5,795	7,223
Endowment assets:-		
Equities and other listed securities	1,957	1,957
Equities (unlisted)	42	42
Investments in subsidiaries	-	1,428
Land Cash at bank and in hand including short	381	381
term deposits	3,415	3,415
	5,795	7,223

The University Balance Sheet on Page 22 shows Endowment assets equal to Endowments in accordance with the 2007 Statement of Recommended Practice - Accounting for Further and Higher Education. On consolidation it is necessary to remove from Endowment assets, the investments in subsidiaries costs of $\pounds1,428,000$.

		UNIVERSITY	
		2013	2012
		£'000	£'000
13.	Investment in subsidiaries		
	At beginning of year Additions	3,758	3,758
	At end of year	3,758	3,758

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY, 2013 (continued...)

13. Investment in subsidiaries (continued ...)

At 31st July, 2013 the group's principal subsidiaries, all of which were wholly owned and registered in England and Wales, comprised:-

COMPANY

NATURE OF BUSINESS

Provision of staff

manufacturing

systems

Aerospace research and development

Organisation of an annual sailing event

Consultancy and development programmes in

Design of crash safety equipment and data recording

Provision of conference and accommodation services

Cranfield Ventures LimitedHolding companyCranfield Enterprises LimitedHolds investments in spin-out companiesSilsoe Ventures LimitedDevelop and market softwareNovaswift Ventures Limited (formerly Sudbury
House Hotel Limited)Provision of hotel and conference services until 31 May
2013 when the core business was sold.CIT Holdings LimitedHolding company

Cranfield Aerospace Limited

Cranfield Conference Centre Limited

Cranfield Quality Services Limited

Cranfield Regatta Limited

Cranfield Innovative Manufacturing Limited

Cranfield Impact Centre Limited

Cranfield Management Development Limited

Cranfield Engineering Innovations Limited

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Provision of electronic driver risk assessments

Provision of executive development programmes

		CONSO 2013	LIDATED 2012	UNIVE 2013	RSITY 2012
4.	Debtors	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	Work in progress Trade debtors Prepayments and accrued income Other taxes Amounts receivable from subsidiary	9,974 19,079 3,092 13	10,681 20,824 14,928 16	9,241 14,690 2,769 -	10,167 15,632 14,488 -
	undertakings	32,158	46,449	3,864 30,564	4,233 44,520

Included in amounts receivable from subsidiary undertakings is £2,082,000 (2012 - £1,686,000) which is recoverable after more than one year.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY, 2013

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		CONSC 2013	LIDATED 2012	UNI\ 2013	/ERSITY 2012
14.	Debtors (continued)	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	Work in progress comprises:-				
	Costs incurred to date less foreseeable losses	66,025	68,336	59,590	64,098
	Less: progress payments	(56,051)	(57,655)	(50,349)	(53,931)
		9,974	10,681	9,241	10,167
15.	Creditors: amounts falling due within one year				
	Bank loans Finance lease obligations Amounts owed to subsidiary undertakings Trade creditors and accruals Social security costs and other taxes Deposits and income in advance	1,497 2 - 14,193 3,555 30,680 	1,265 3 - 18,405 3,291 30,172 53,136	1,497 2 241 11,664 3,064 28,593 45,061	1,265 3 219 15,489 2,810 28,553 48,339
16.	Creditors: amounts falling due after more than one year				
	Bank loans Finance lease obligations	17,360 -	17,483 3	17,360 -	17,483 3
		17,360	17,486	17,360	17,486
	a. Bank loans Bank loans are repayable:-				
	Within one year	1,497	1,265	1,497	1,265
	Between one and two years Between two to five years After five years	1,501 4,341 11,518	1,279 3,884 12,320	1,501 4,341 11,518	1,203 1,279 3,884 12,320
		18,857	18,748	18,857	18,748

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY, 2013 (continued...)

			CONSOLIDATED 2013 2012		UNIVERSITY 2013 2012	
16.		rs: amounts falling due er more than one year (continued)	£'000	£'000	£'000	£,000
	b.	Finance leases				
		The net finance lease obligations to which the University is committed are:-				
		Within one year	2	3	2	3
		Within two to five years	-	3	-	3
			2	6	2	6

The Group had the following bank loans at 31st July, 2013:-

	Interest Rate	Loan Type	Security	Final Repayment	Loan Outstanding £'000
1. 2. 3. 4. 5.	Euro base + 0.18% Sterling base + 0.18% 8.71% Interest Free Interest Free	Floating(Euros) Floating Fixed Salix Fixed Salix Fixed	None None Land and buildings None None	15th August, 2027 31st July, 2027 14th March, 2022 1st September, 2014 1st September, 2016	7,015 9,034 2,216 33 559
					18,857

	Staff restructuring	Other	Total
17. Provisions for liabilities and charges	£'000	£'000	£'000
a. Consolidated			
At beginning of year	1,075	894	1,969
Utilised Charged to income and expenditure account	(1,075) 732	(420) 38	(1,495) 770
At end of year	732	512	1,244

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY, 2013

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		Staff restructuring	Other	Total
17.	Provisions for liabilities and charges (continued)	£'000	£'000	£'000
	b. <i>University</i> At beginning of year	1,075	886	1,961
	Utilised	(1,075)	(420)	(1,495)
	Charged to income and expenditure account	547	1	548
	At end of year	547	467	1,014

Staff restructuring will be utilised during the next financial year and relates to the re-organisation of activities within the School of Management and Cranfield Health. Other relates to a warranty provision and costs related to legal compliance and their associated legal costs.

	General	Funding Council	Total
18. Deferred capital grants	£'000	£'000	£'000
Consolidated and University			
At beginning of year Buildings Equipment	14,051 4,006 18,057	23,143 14,995 38,138	37,194 19,001 56,195
Cash receivable Buildings Equipment	-	-	-
Released to income and expenditure account Buildings Equipment	(826) (726)	(734) (3,061)	(1,560) (3,787)
At end of year	16,505	34,343	50,848
Buildings Equipment	13,225 3,280	22,409 11,934	35,634 15,214
	16,505	34,343	50,848

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STAYTEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY, 2013

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	1A	AND UNIVERSITY			
	Restricted Expendable	2013 Total	2012 Total		
	£'000	£'000	£'000		
19. Endowments					
At beginning of year					
Capital	6,614	6,614	6,764		
Accumulated income	731	731	713		
	7,345	7,345	7,477		
New endowments	367	367	279		
Investment income Expenditure	111 (818)	111 (818)	55 (425)		
Increase in market value of inv	(707) vestments 218	(707) 218	(370) (41)		
At end of year	7,223	7,223	7,345		
Represented by:					
Capital	6,427	6,427	6,614		
Accumulated income	796	796	731		
	7,223	7,223	7,345		

The University has identified the capital value of endowments funds from historical records, where they are available. In relation to the Appeal to Industry Fund, the University has followed the British Universities Finance Directors Group (BUFDG) Guidance Note and adopted the value of the Fund at 31st July, 1998 as the basis of the assumed capital value at 1st August, 2006.

			OLIDATED INIVERSITY
00	Develuction recento		£'000
20.	Revaluation reserve		
	At beginning of year Transfer to income and expenditure reserve	on asset	37,081
	disposal		(750)
	Land revaluation		7,176
	At end of year	_	43,507
		CONSOLIDATED	UNIVERSITY
		£'000	£'000
21.	Income and expenditure reserve (excluding pen reserve)	sion	
	At beginning of year	61,975	60,576
	Deficit for the year	(385)	(152)
	Transfer from revaluation reserve	750	750
	Transfer from pension reserve	251	251
	At end of year	62,591	61,425

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST JULY, 2013

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		AND UN	LIDATED
		2013	2012
		£'000	£'000
22.	Pension reserve		
	Movement in deficit during the year:		
	Deficit in scheme at beginning of the year	(40,181)	(30,754)
	Movement in year:	(1.000)	(1 - C - A)
	Current service cost	(1,832)	(1,564)
	Contributions	3,288	3,217
	Past service cost	-	-
	Curtailment cost	(65)	-
	Other finance charge	(1,642)	(1,315)
	Actuarial loss	(2,597)	(9,765)
	Deficit in scheme at end of year	(43,029)	(40,181)

The pension reserve represents the University's share of the deficit in the Bedfordshire County Council Local Government Pension Scheme as detailed in Note 29 (Page 41).

				UNIVERSITY	
		2013	2012	2013	2012
23.	Lease obligations	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
	Commitments under operating leases				
	At 31st July, 2013 there were annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases expiring as follows:-				
	Land and buildings				
	Within one year Between two and five years In more than five years	- 554 235	- 28 758	- 554 235	- 28 758
		789	786	789	786
	Other				
	Within one year Between two and five years In more than five years	34 67 -	137 72	- -	2 19
		101	209	-	21

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			CONSO 2013	LIDATED 2012	UN 2013	IVERSITY 2012
			£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
24.	Capita	l commitments				
	a.	Capital expenditure contracted but not provided in the accounts	1,248	1,630	1,248	1,406
	b.	Capital expenditure authorised but not contracted	4,665	2,192	4,665	1,683
					CONSOLII 13	DATED 2012
25.		ciliation of operating (deficit) / surplus befor n to net cash inflow from operating activities		£'0	00	£'000
	Op	perating (deficit) / surplus before taxation		(1,0	92)	191
		Endowment and investment income Interest payable Other pension costs (FRS17 adjustment) Depreciation charge Deferred capital grants released (Surplus) / deficit on disposal of tangible f Foreign exchange loss / (gain) Impairment of tangible fixed assets	ixed assets	1,9 (1,3 10,9 (5,3 (4 8	91) 39	(251) 1,702 (1,653) 10,225 (5,442) 28 (353)
	Mo	ovement in working capital				
		Stock Work in progress Debtors Creditors Deposits and income in advance Provisions		7 2,3 (3,1 5		(21) 1,287 (2,724) 1,258 4,203 (297)
				(3	18)	3,706
	Ne	et cash inflow from operating activities		4,7	10	8,153

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		CONSO 2013	LIDATED 2012
		£'000	£'000
26.	Analysis of changes in loan and finance leases during the year		
	At beginning of year	18,754	21,253
	New leases/loans	639	-
	Capital repayments	(1,376)	(1,665)
	Foreign exchange loss/(gain)	842	(834)
	At end of year	18,859	18,754

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2013	2012	
£'000	£'000	

27. Reconciliation of net cash flow to movement in net funds

Increase in cash at bank and in hand	9,699	7,398
Decrease in bank overdraft	-	18
Increase in cash	9,699	7,416
Decrease in loans and finance leases	737	1,665
Change in net funds	10,436	9,081
Net funds / (debt) at beginning of year	5,541	(3,936)
Foreign exchange (loss) / gain	(800)	396
Net funds at end of year	15,177	5,541

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28. Analysis of changes in net funds / (debt)

, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	At beginning of year	Cash Flows	Other movements	At end of year
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Cash at bank and in hand including short term deposits	24,295	9,699	42	34,036
Bank overdraft	-	-	-	-
	24,295	9,699	42	34,036
Loans and finance leases within one year	(1,268)	(231)	-	(1,499)
Loans and finance leases after one year	(17,486)	968	(842)	(17,360)
	5,541	10,436	(800)	15,177

29. Pensions

The two pension schemes for the University's staff are the Universities Superannuation Scheme (USS) and the Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) administered by Bedfordshire County Council. The assets of the USS are held in a separate trustee-administered fund and a Pension Fund Investment Advisory Panel is responsible for the investment arrangements of the assets of the LGPS. Both schemes are defined benefit schemes, which are externally funded, valued every three years by actuaries using the projected unit method and are contracted out of the State Earnings Related Pensions Scheme. In the intervening years, the actuaries review the progress of the schemes.

Since October 2011 USS has provided two schemes. The first for staff who were USS members at 30th September, 2011, whose benefits are based on final pensionable salary, the second for entrants after that date (other than in some specific, limited circumstances) whose benefits are provided on a career re-valued basis.

LGPS provides similar benefits for other staff of the University, based on their final salary.

Pension costs are assessed, in accordance with the advice of the actuary, based on the latest actuarial valuation 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.

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29. **Pensions** (continued...)

USS

It is not possible to identify each participating institution's share of the underlying assets and liabilities of the scheme and hence contributions to the scheme are accounted for as if the scheme was a defined contribution scheme. The cost recognised within the surplus or deficit for the year in the income and expenditure account is equal to the contributions payable to the scheme for the year. The latest actuarial valuation of the scheme was as at 31st March, 2011. The assumptions which had the most significant effect on the result of the valuation were those relating to the rate of return on investments (i.e. the valuation rate of interest) and the rates of increase in salary and pensions. In relation to past service liabilities, the financial assumptions were derived from market yields prevailing at the valuation date. It was assumed that the valuation rate of interest would be 4.4% per annum and salary increases 4.4% per annum. The institution contribution rate required for future service benefits alone at the date of valuation was 16% of salaries. The next formal actuarial valuation is due as at 31st March, 2014 when the rates will be reviewed. Surpluses or deficits that arise at future valuations may impact on the University's future contribution commitment.

The assumptions in relation to future service liabilities and other data which have the most significant effect on the determination of the contribution levels are as follows: -

Latest actuarial valuations	31st March, 2011
Investment returns per annum	4.4%
Salary scale increases per annum	4.4%
Market value of assets at date of last valuation	£32,433.5 million
Proportion of members' accrued benefits covered by the actuarial value of the assets (technical provisions basis)	92%
Proportion of members' accrued benefits covered by the actuarial value of the assets (historic gilts basis)	68%

LGPS

The rate of the University's employer's contributions for LGPS is determined by the actuaries and increased to 17% of pensionable salaries with effect from 1st October, 2009. Employee rates for LGPS are statutorily prescribed. Variations from regular cost are spread over the expected average remaining working lifetime of members of the scheme after making allowances for future withdrawals.

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29. **Pensions** (continued ...)

LGPS (continued ...)

The figures disclosed below estimated by the actuary as at 31st July, 2013 have been derived by suitable approximation methods from the full actuarial valuation as at 31st March, 2010. Surpluses or deficits that arise may impact on the University's future contribution commitment.

The major assumptions used by the actuary as at 31st July, 2013 are as follows:-

	2013	2012	2011
	%	%	%
Salary scale increases per annum	5.1	3.9	3.9
Pension increases per annum	2.8	2.0	2.7
Discount rate per annum	4.6	4.3	5.3
Members opting for enhanced commutation pre 2008 service	50.0	50.0	50.0
Members opting for enhanced commutation post 2008 service	75.0	75.0	75.0

The assumed life expectations on retirement at age 65 (in years) are:-

	2013	2012
Retiring today		
Males	21.6	21.6
Females	23.2	23.2
Retiring in 25 years		
Males	23.6	23.6
Females	25.6	25.6

The estimated University share of the assets in the scheme and the expected rates of return were:-

	201	2013 2012 201		2012		11
	Long term return expected	Assets	Long term return expected	Assets	Long term return expected	Assets
	%	£'000	%	£,000	%	£'000
Equities Property	6.4 4.6	44,795 5,119	5.5 3.7	29,007 5,021	7.0 5.1	28,298 4,898
Bonds	3.9	12,159	3.5	9,483	4.6	14,149
Cash	3.4	1,920	2.8	12,273	4.0	7,075
	5.7	63,993	4.4	55,784	5.8	54,420

There is no provision for unitising the assets of a Fund under LGPS. The asset of the scheme, as a whole, is allocated to participating bodies on a consistent and reasonable basis.

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29. Pensions (continued ...)

The University's share of the underlying assets and liabilities are as follows:-

	2013	2012	2011
	£'000	£'000	£'000
Market value of assets	63,993	55,784	54,420
Present value of liabilities	(107,022)	(95,965)	(85,174)
Deficit – net pension liability	(43,029)	(40,181)	(30,754)
		2013	2012
		£'000	£'000
Analysis of the total operating charge:-			
Current service cost		1,832	1,564
Loss due to curtailments		65	-
Past service cost		-	-
Total operating charge		1,897	1,564
Analysis of the amount charged to interest payable:-			
Expected return on pension scheme assets		(2,461)	(3,152)
Interest on pension scheme liabilities		4,103	4,467
Pension finance costs		1,642	1,315
Total income and expenditure account charge		3,539	2,879

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29. Pensions (continued ...)

	2013	2012
	£'000	£,000
Analysis of amount recognised in statement of total recognised gains and losses:-		
Actual return less expected return on pension scheme assets	(2,597)	(9,765)
Experience gains and losses arising on the scheme liabilities	-	-
Change in financial and demographic assumptions underlying the scheme liabilities	-	-
Actuarial loss recognised	(2,597)	(9,765)
Analysis of movements in the present value of the scheme liabilities:-		
At beginning of year	95,965	85,174
Current service cost Interest cost Contributions by members Actuarial losses Past service (gains) / costs Losses on curtailments Estimated underfunded benefits paid Estimated benefits paid	1,832 4,103 601 8,051 - (3,595) 107,022	1,564 4,467 620 8,139 - - (3,999) 95,965
Analysis of movement in the market value of the scheme assets:-		
At beginning of year	55,784	54,420
Expected return on assets Contributions by members Contributions by the employer Contributions in respect of unfunded benefits Actuarial (losses) / gains Estimated unfunded benefits paid Estimated benefits paid	2,461 601 3,288 - 5,454 - (3,595)	3,152 620 3,217 - (1,626) - (3,999)
At end of year	63,993	55,784

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29. **Pensions** (continued ...)

Details of experience gains and losses for the year	2013 :	2012	2011	2010	2009
Gain / (loss) on scheme assets:					
Amount (£'000) Percentage of scheme assets	5,454 8.5%	(1,626) (2.9%)	(1,423) (2.6%)	3,059 5.8%	(8,960) (19.1%)
Experience (loss) / gain on scheme liabilities:					
Amount (£'000)	(108)	(1,325)	10,030	(7)	46
Percentage of the present value of the scheme liabilities	(0.1%)	(1.4%)	11.8%	0.0%	0.1%
Total (loss) / gain recognised in the statement of total recognised gains and losses:					
Amount (£'000) Percentage of the present value of	(2,597)	(9,765)	11,708	3,783	(17,524)
scheme liabilities	(2.4%)	(10.2%)	13.7%	4.0%	(19.4%)

In addition to the main schemes described above, some of the subsidiaries operate their own pension schemes, details of which can be found in the individual company accounts.

		CONSC	CONSOLIDATED	
		2013 £'000	2012 £'000	
30.	Access funds			
	Funding Council grants	34	43	
	Disbursed to students	(21)	(27)	
	Balance unspent at end of year	13	16	

Funding Council 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.

		CONSOLIDATED	
		2013	2012
		£'000	£'000
31.	Profit / (loss) on the disposal of assets		
	Profit on the disposal of the business of Sudbury House Hotel	397	-
	Profit / (loss) on the disposal of tangible fixed assets	19	(28)
		416	(28)

On the 31st May, 2013 the business of Novaswift Ventures Limited (formerly Sudbury House Hotel Limited) was sold to a third party for £450,000 in an arm's length transaction. Total proceeds, including the sale of the University owned property was £1.4million. As a result of this sale, there is a warranty of £300,000 given to the purchaser that expires two years from the date of sale. The University does not believe that this potential contingent liability will crystallise.

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32. Related party transactions

The University has taken advantage of the exemption of Financial Reporting Standard 8 (Revised) "Related party transactions" not to disclose transactions between the University and its wholly owned subsidiary undertakings.

Due to the nature of the University's operations and the composition of the Council, it is inevitable that transactions will take place from time to time with organisations in which a Council member may have an interest. All transactions involving organisations in which a member of the Council has an interest are conducted at arm's length and in accordance with the University's Financial Manual and normal procurement procedures.