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REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 505609

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 MARCH 2018
FOR
GLAMORGAN-GWENT ARCHAEOLOGICAL TRUST
LIMITED (THE)**

Graham Paul Limited
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The trustees, who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2018. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Charitable Object

The object for which the Trust is established is 'to advance the education of the public in archaeology'. The powers by which it may do this are set out in the Articles. These include: being able to undertake, prepare or promote archaeological research, excavations, surveys, reports and advice and for any consequent or similar activities; to publish or otherwise distribute information; to arrange for the safe-keeping of all records arising from such objects and for their eventual deposition; to arrange for the safe-keeping of all materials and objects recovered as a result of such archaeological work, and, where appropriate, to arrange for their eventual deposition and/or display.

The object of the GGAT HER Charitable Trust is for the benefit of the public to advance the education of the public in archaeology by promoting and undertaking the creation maintenance repair up-dating safe keeping dissemination and publication of records relating to archaeology and the historic environment. The powers by which it may do this are set out in the GGAT HER Charitable Trust Deed. These include: the safe keeping of records resulting from archaeological work and where appropriate to arrange for their eventual deposition; the safe keeping of materials and objects recovered as a result of archaeological work and, where appropriate, to arrange for their eventual deposition; to promote and encourage the objects of the charity by means of the circulation of all forms of printed matter and to print publish and sell books papers circulars and periodicals requisite for that purpose.

Composition

The Trust is comprised of Members and Trustees. Membership is open to any individual or organisation interested in promoting the Object subject to satisfying a formal application and consent procedure. Membership is personal and incapable of transfer. The number of Trustees is presently limited to a minimum of three and a maximum of nine. The number of Members is unlimited.

Membership

The total number of Members not being Trustees at the 31 March 2018 was 83. The Trust retains a register of Members. The Trustees have not enacted a power to establish different kinds of membership (including informal membership) with different rights and obligations.

Appointment of Trustees

All Trustees must be Members, except that the Trustees may appoint a single Trustee (who is not a Member) duly qualified to provide expert advice to fill a vacancy up to the next Annual General Meeting. The Trustees may appoint a Member of the Trust (whom the Trustees reasonably consider to be a person suitable and qualified to act) as a Trustee. In filling vacancies, the Board of Trustees looks to widen the range of available expertise.

Any Member so appointed shall retain office until the next Annual General Meeting, but then be eligible for re-appointment by the Members. The Members may, by ordinary resolution, at an Annual General Meeting, elect a member to become a Trustee. Trustees are elected for a term of three years running from the time of appointment by the Members at an Annual General Meeting but may on completion stand for up to two further terms to a maximum of nine years, after which they are ineligible to serve as Trustee until the expiry of a further three years from the end of the nine-year period.

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Trustee training and induction

Prior to appointment new Trustees are provided with a job description and information packs detailing Trust constitution, structure, key current objectives, and copies of recent Annual Reports and Accounts, as well as literature on the responsibilities of being Charity Trustees. Each new Trustee is required to make a signed declaration of commitment and qualification for Trusteeship. An induction includes a detailed review of company/charity history, structure and organisation, role of the trustees, trust business cycles, staffing, policies, financial management and control practices, forward strategies, current operations plan, and the purpose and function of the GGAT HER Charitable Trust. New Trustees are introduced to staff. Documents are provided in a digital handbook. Trustees are made aware of the wide range of guidance available from the Charity Commission in both hard copy and digital forms.

Organisation

The Trustees as charity trustees have control of the Trust and its property and funds, and as permitted by and in accord with the Articles they manage the business of the Trust. The Board of Trustees held six meetings in the year ended 31 March 2018. The GGAT HER Charitable Trust met twice in the same period. Some of the trust business is considered initially at committees. The Trust has set up committees to consider Finance and Health & Safety. Senior staff attend these meetings and those of the Board of Trustees.

The Trustees voluntarily contribute their unpaid time and expertise to the charitable objectives of the Trust. The extent of this contribution is not reflected in the Trust's financial statements, but the Trust is dependent upon the services and expertise provided by its Trustees.

Some Trustees have very detailed knowledge and expertise in Historic Environment matters. Others may have a more general interest but bring in skills from other disciplines. The composition of the present Board comprises persons with experience and knowledge of the practice of the archaeology by National and Local Government, in Universities, in the professional archaeological sector, and knowledge and practice of historic environment archives and record management, museum structures and practice, delivery of town planning, law, accountancy, business management, and third sector engagement.

The Trust currently employs twenty-two permanent staff, on both a full-time and part-time basis with a full-time equivalent of eighteen, other staff may be employed on a short-term contract basis and volunteers assist with some works. Most of the staff are graduate qualified archaeologists, who bring a wide range of skills, knowledge of the discipline, and experience to the work of the Trust. Two-thirds of the archaeological staff are members of the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, with six being full Members and four Associate Members.

The Trustees are responsible for determining and approving any amendments or changes to the Trust's strategies, policies and financial and administrative controls. The day-to-day management of the Trust is carried out by the Chief Executive Officer and team managers, who may not work outside of the established policies, controls and strategies, but are charged with delivering agreed works, and, where changing circumstances require, preparing proposals for consideration in respect of improvements or additions. Senior staff review and plan programmes of work and report back to the Board of Trustees on progress against agreed forward plans.

Relationships with similar organisations

The Trust is one of four similar organisations in Wales, each covering a distinct geographical area (the others being The Clwyd-Powys Archaeological Trust Ltd, The Dyfed Archaeological Trust Ltd and The Gwynedd Archaeological Trust Ltd). The four organisations are sometimes collectively known as the Welsh Archaeological Trusts. The Trusts share identical charitable objectives and meet at all levels collectively or partially to discuss issues of mutual interest, and occasionally may collaborate. However, they are not part of any larger organisation and when response, comment, or approaches are made concerning any issue in pursuit of the charitable objectives these are made as individual organisations.

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Public Benefit

The Trustees are aware of their responsibilities in ensuring that the Trust delivers identifiable benefits to the public in accord with the established object and permitted activities. Our Forward Strategy is founded on Public Benefit delivery principles. Our report on activity sets out the range of works that we do for the audience in our nominated geographic area, but which can be relevant to others further afield. Risk review has been directed to ensure that we can continue to function efficiently and that the data we have assembled and hold, or that held by the GGAT HER Charitable Trust, can be easily accessed in person or online and that staff have the necessary qualifications, knowledge, experience, and skills to deliver associated services.

Activity

The Object for which the Trust is established is 'to advance the education of the public in archaeology'. The powers by which it may do this are set out in the Articles. To facilitate delivery of the Object the Trustees have agreed a Forward Strategy. This has five key strategic objectives that operational objectives must meet. Reporting of activity is made against the delivery of the strategic objectives. On review, the strategic objectives may be replaced or expanded provided they are consistent with delivering the Trust's Object. Report on activity refers to that occurring in the accounting period.

Strategic Objectives

The identified strategic objectives are:

1. Fostering Public Understanding
2. Improve Access and Engagement
3. Discovery and Research
4. Developing the Trust
5. Archive Care & Deposition

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

The Trust achieves its Object through carrying out a broad spectrum of works and activities as delivered under our forward strategy. Achievements and performance are monitored. During the past year the Trust improved access to information about historic environment information, and extended the range of communities for whom it provides learning and experience opportunities. The Trust has carried out discrete works that have led to the discovery and recording of new information about the historic environment and archaeology of South Wales and it has improved how it takes care of archives that it holds.

Fostering Public Understanding

The Trust directly engaged with the public through a programme of events, including: activities carried out as part of the Festival of Archaeology and 'Taking over Museums' as well as discrete events across South Wales; and providing a range of talks or lectures to different audiences.

We also supported and contributed to forums, supported local networks and groups, and extended our community links.

As part of its advocacy work, the Trust responded to consultations on the marine plan for Wales and proposals for codifying Historic Environment and Town and Country Planning Law and Regulation as applicable in Wales. The Trust also provided advice to a wide range of regulatory and non-regulatory bodies. The way that we have developed a collaborative partnership with Natural Resources Wales was recognised in the 2018 Awards made by the Institute for Continuous Improvement in Public Services (ICiPS). The Trust continued to expand its web-based content including social media outputs.

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Improve Access and Engagement

The Trust has a role in the management of and facilitation of access to the Welsh historic environment. The Trust recognises that legislation, notably the Historic Environment (Wales) Act 2016, and related new or amended regulation and guidance has changed the context within which we deliver our object in Wales. We have made a number of improvements to the Historic Environment Record (HER) as a result of particular measures introduced in 2017 under provisions in the Historic Environment (Wales) Act 2016.

Information available to the public was extended through improvements to the HER. Over 12,000 new records were created, and more than 18,000 existing ones edited. Just under 300 reports were made publically accessible. Requirements identified in the last quinquennial HER audit continued to be implemented, with a particular focus given to improving information on sites in Monmouthshire. The Trust is now contracted to assist in delivering the HER Measures in the Historic Environment (Wales) Act 2016, and as a consequence ensured continuing public access to the record, and in particular with partners oversaw the refreshing of the platform for digital access (Archwilio).

The Trust continued to support the development of a number of community-led or community-focused projects, and actively worked on projects to help upskill young adults through archaeological works. The Trust provided administration support for the Bridgend Heritage Network and actively supported the replacement networks that have emerged in Cardiff-Merthyr, Swansea and Torfaen following the withdrawal of the Welsh Government's Pioneer/Fusion Programme.

The Trust continued to provide work experience opportunities for students as well as volunteering opportunities for all age ranges which allowed work to be progressed for which there was either no or only very limited grant-aid funding available. Working for the second year with Cardiff University's intern and work experience placement scheme proved to be a particularly successful venture.

Discovery & Research

The Trust undertakes a wide-range of investigative and research works. These inform the knowledge base for public education. The Trust continued with its commemorative works in recording sites connected to the First World War. It carried out a discrete survey of the British Ironworks at Abersychan and undertook a pilot programme to test rapid desktop recording of traditional farms with a view to improving their protection. It also carried out 102 other archaeological projects, mostly in the nominal geographic area.

Separately, the Trust provides an advisory service to local authorities in South Wales which enabled archaeological and related historic environment assessment or recording works to be carried out by archaeological organisations to ensure that certain environmental obligations in connection with land use change controlled by the planning regime could be met.

Developing the Trust

The Trust has to grow and develop so that it can continue to deliver its Object in changing legal, economic fiscal and social contexts. The Trust has continued working towards attaining PQASSO quality accreditation and this has led to revisions to some recording practices and adoption of additional policies and procedures. It has also led to a review of our user values and now these are centred on 'Advising', 'Informing', and 'Participating'. Working teams have been re-configured to assist delivery in such regards.

With the other Welsh Archaeological Trusts and Cadw, we have revised an Advisor's Code of Practice. We have also upgraded our guidance documentation for archaeological works carried out in connection with land use change under the town and country planning regime. Alongside this, we have refreshed and published related policies and revised service user guidance.

The Trust's status as an organisation entered on The Chartered Institute for Archaeologists' Register of Archaeological Organisations (RAO 15) has been maintained. In May 2017 as part of the continued registration requirement, a triennial inspection was undertaken. The Trust passed the inspection and subject to standard annual requirements will continue its registration for a further three-year period. For the Trust to be able to undertake primary purpose trading as part of activities specified in the Articles it is advantageous for it to do so from a position as a body recognised by the Chartered Institute for Archaeologists, maintaining such formal recognition is a continuing priority.

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The Trust has developed a framework to support more effective evaluation of the impact of its works on its users and ways that it might develop support for its works.

Archive care and deposition

Preservation of accessible information is a critical part of the work that the Trust carries out in delivering its Object. The Trust continued to digitise retained data and maintained databases of content and condition of temporarily held archives. Just under 300 grey literature reports were digitised for uploading to Archwilio. Databases of content and condition were maintained or refreshed as required.

The Trust needs to hold information securely and then make it accessible. Much of this information is now held on digital platforms, in addition to our core systems there are some for which we share ownership (e.g. Archwilio the on-line access to the Historic Environment Records of all Four Welsh Archaeological Trusts). The Trust needs to ensure on a continuing review basis the appropriateness and security of systems on which the Trust's data is held and that our Intellectual Property Rights and Copyright privilege over our assets are not compromised, and that our data is protected within contracts and other agreements through effective policies and controls.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The results for the year and the charity's financial position at the end of the year are shown in the attached financial statements.

Transactions and financial position

Income for the year has decreased by 18% to £721,703, with falls both in grant funding and project income. There was a negative movement in total funds of £63,029. This was due to the in-year losses and an increase in the provisions for meeting the Trusts share of long-term pension scheme deficits. The increase in the provision in respect of the pension arises from the latest interim actuarial valuation report. The liability calculation provision in the financial statements complies with accounting standard FRS 102, which produces a much higher deficit figure than the funding deficit calculated in the draft interim actuarial report. Of unrestricted funds that are in deficit at the balance sheet date, the greater part of the pension scheme debt (£755,727) falls due more than one year from the balance sheet date.

The Trustees continue to implement measures to improve the profitability of the Trust. The Trustees have assessed the charity's future programme of works and commitments against working capital in place. Financial projections have been prepared for the period to 30 November 2019. These show that the Trust is able to meet the liabilities falling due within one year of the date of the statements.

Reserves policies

The Trustees' policy is to establish a position where the Trust holds sufficient reserves, as a general fund, to meet the liability of the Trust and, where appropriate, to establish additional funds for future initiatives or development.

Discrete Funds

The Trust has established a Youth Heritage Fund to support the engagement of young persons with heritage and specifically archaeology. The value of this fund at the 31 March 2018 was £727.

Investment authority & restrictions

The Trust has a power to set aside funds for special purposes or as reserves against future expenditure. Deposits or investments may only be exercised in promoting the Object of the Trust. For such purposes, the Trustees may employ a professional investment manager and to arrange for investments or other property of the Trust to be held in the name of a nominee in the same manner and subject to the same conditions as the trustees of a trust are permitted to do by the Trustee Act 2000.

FUTURE PLANS

The Trust will continue to deliver the operational objectives under its Forward Strategy. Whilst works will continue to be delivered against a background of changing legislation, regulation and guidance, increased pressure on government funding, and more competitive grants markets, the trust is also seeking to continue to grow and diversify funding sources.

The Trust needs to ensure that it has the staff competencies necessary to deliver the outcomes that clients, funders, and users require. The Trust will continue to look to strengthen the capability of our staff through further investment in both formal and work place training, and through encouraging and supporting Continuous Professional Development.

The Trust has demonstrated resilience in meeting past challenges, and diversity of operations has been a particular strength. In looking forward the Trustees have identified that existing structures need to be improved and have started to take steps to achieve this.

The Trust recognises that those who work with it whether as employees and volunteers, and those who come into contact with the Trust whether in a professional or business capacity or as a visitor or as a participant in an activity or event have a right to expect to do so safely. We shall continue to keep our health and safety policies and systems under review and take appropriate specialist consultancy advice implementing improvement or enhancement measures as necessary.

The Trust will continue to advocate the importance of what we do and, following consideration of best approaches, provide informed advice as to how our offer can continue to be effectively delivered in changing circumstances.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The purpose of the body, its organisation and the powers and duties of governance are set out in the Memorandum and Articles of Association of Glamorgan-Gwent Archaeological Trust Limited. Subscribers to the Memorandum signed the governing document on 12 August 1976. The company was formally incorporated on 13 September 1976 and registered with the Charity Commission shortly afterwards. The Articles were most recently amended by a special resolution dated 8 February 2014.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error. The Trustees carry out regular reviews of the charity's activities and systems in use. This is to assist future planning and assessing any major risks to which the charitable company might be exposed.

The risk register has identified high risks that fall into two groups:

Financial (including fraud and pension risks) - the Glamorgan-Gwent Archaeological Trust Limited is member body of the Archaeological Organisations Pension Scheme a defined benefit pension scheme. The scheme is in deficit and has a recovery plan agreed with the Pension Regulator. The pension scheme liability is the major contributing factor to the negative balance sheet. Cash is sufficient for operations but needs to be managed carefully. Digital accounts management increases fraud and data loss risk.

Revised and additional financial and data management policies, procedures, and protocols have been introduced alongside enhanced IT security measures. With other scheme employers, the trust has sought closure of the Archaeological Organisations Pension Scheme to future accruals, and expects this to occur in 2018. The Trustees continue to seek to increase income and profitability whilst reducing fixed costs and getting best value in variable expenditure, including staff costs.

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Information protection and rights - effective management and retention of historic environment information and unrestricted use of such data, subject to standard legal requirements, is an important element in supporting the Glamorgan-Gwent Archaeological Trust Limited's delivery of its Object for its beneficiaries.

The Charitable Company has established a separate Trust the GGAT HER Charitable Trust to hold much of this data and has made transfers to it under Deeds. The Charitable Company has also invested in systems and systems management to reduce the risk of loss of data, and in particular to reduce potential damage or loss arising from cyber risks. This has been taken forward alongside other data protection enhancements.

The Trustees will continue to implement such measures as necessary to preserve the information sets and the rights to the information sets that the Charitable Company creates for current and future public benefit.

Trustees

The Trustees are registered as Directors of the Company and as such, their report serves as the Statutory Directors' report. Since there is no share capital, the Directors do not hold any beneficial interest in the company.

In the reporting period, Mr M White chaired meetings of the Board of Trustees. During the reporting period, Mr J Lewis was appointed as a Trustee on 27 October 2017.

By requirement of the Articles Professor R Howell was re-appointed at the Annual General Meeting held on 16 December 2017 for a further three-year term.

Chief Executive Officer

Mr AG Marvell is appointed as the Chief Executive Officer.

GGAT HER Charitable Trust

The Glamorgan-Gwent Archaeological Trust created the GGAT HER Charitable Trust on 31 January 2008. The purpose of the body, its organisation and the powers and duties of governance are set out in the GGAT HER Charitable Trust Deed. There are two Trustees the Glamorgan-Gwent Archaeological Trust as a corporate trustee and Ms C Jones.

The Trust transferred material forming the Historic Environment Record at the point of creation and has made subsequent transfers annually each January. The Glamorgan-Gwent Archaeological Trust has managed the record and actions are reported in the main body of this report.

The cost of managing the GGAT HER Charitable Trust is reported in the notes to the accounts.

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered office

Heathfield House
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Trustees

Mr F A Aberg
Mr T Beech
Mr N Clubb
Ms J K Howell
Professor R C Howell
Mr J Lewis - appointed 27.10.17
Mr W L Mitchell
Mr J Parkhouse
Mr M White - resigned 30.11.18

Company Secretary

A G Marvell

Auditors

Graham Paul Limited
(Statutory Auditor)
Court House
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CF31 1BE

Additional Advisers

During the year ended 31 March 2018, the Trust received specialist advice in the management of its affairs from:-

Bankers

Natwest Bank plc
9 Belle Vue Way
Swansea
SA1 5BZ

Insurance Brokers

Towergate Insurance, Fareham
Funtley Court,
Funtley Hill,
Funtley,
Fareham
PO19 7UY

Going Concern

The Trustees have reviewed the financial position of the Charitable Company, taking account of reserves and cash, the 2018-2019 Budget and longer-term plans, together with its financial and risk management systems. The Trustees believe that the Charitable Company has adequate resources to continue to operate for the foreseeable future. Therefore, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual Financial Statements.

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STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The trustees (who are also the directors of Glamorgan-Gwent Archaeological Trust Limited (The) for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Report of the Trustees and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland".

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charity SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in business.

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

In so far as the trustees are aware:

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

AUDITORS

The auditors, Graham Paul Limited, will be proposed for re-appointment at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 12 December 2018 and signed on its behalf by:

A G Marvell - Secretary

**REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITORS TO THE MEMBERS OF
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Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of Glamorgan-Gwent Archaeological Trust Limited (The) (the 'charitable company') for the year ended 31 March 2018 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Statement of Financial Position, the Statement of Cash Flows and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice), including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland'.

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 March 2018 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland'; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charitable company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Conclusions relating to going concern

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters in relation to which the ISAs (UK) require us to report to you where:

- the trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is not appropriate; or
- the trustees have not disclosed in the financial statements any identified material uncertainties that may cast significant doubt about the charitable company's ability to continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting for a period of at least twelve months from the date when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Emphasis of matter

We draw attention to Note 20 of the financial statements in respect of going concern. Our opinion is not qualified in respect of this matter.

Other information

The trustees are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the annual report, other than the financial statements and our Report of the Independent Auditors thereon.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

In our opinion, based on the work undertaken in the course of the audit:

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Opinion on other matters prescribed by the Companies Act 2006

- the information given in the Report of the Trustees for the financial year for which the financial statements are prepared is consistent with the financial statements; and
- the Report of the Trustees has been prepared in accordance with applicable legal requirements.

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In the light of the knowledge and understanding of the charitable company and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Report of the Trustees.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where the Companies Act 2006 requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- adequate accounting records have not been kept or returns adequate for our audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or
- certain disclosures of trustees' remuneration specified by law are not made; or
- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit; or
- the trustees were not entitled to take advantage of the small companies exemption from the requirement to prepare a Strategic Report or in preparing the Report of the Trustees.

Responsibilities of trustees

As explained more fully in the Statement of Trustees Responsibilities, the trustees (who are also the directors of the charitable company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the trustees are responsible for assessing the charitable company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the trustees either intend to liquidate the charitable company or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue a Report of the Independent Auditors that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our Report of the Independent Auditors.

Use of our report

This report is made solely to the charitable company's members, as a body, in accordance with Chapter 3 of Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charitable company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditors' 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 charitable company and the charitable company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

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12 December 2018

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)
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	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2018 Total funds £	2017 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies	2	104,053	-	104,053	104,921
Charitable activities	4				
Other Curatorial Services		9,620	-	9,620	14,940
Grant Aided Work		-	292,412	292,412	305,550
Other Archaeological Projects		315,317	-	315,317	449,829
Investment income	3	301	-	301	961
Total		<u>429,291</u>	<u>292,412</u>	<u>721,703</u>	<u>876,201</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Charitable activities	5				
Grant Aided Work		-	296,923	296,923	307,796
Other Archaeological Projects		487,809	-	487,809	476,017
Total		<u>487,809</u>	<u>296,923</u>	<u>784,732</u>	<u>783,813</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		<u>(58,518)</u>	<u>(4,511)</u>	<u>(63,029)</u>	<u>92,388</u>
Transfers between funds	16	<u>(4,511)</u>	<u>4,511</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		<u>(63,029)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(63,029)</u>	<u>92,388</u>
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		<u>(596,204)</u>	<u>4,717</u>	<u>(591,487)</u>	<u>(683,875)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u>(659,233)</u>	<u>4,717</u>	<u>(654,516)</u>	<u>(591,487)</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

**GLAMORGAN-GWENT ARCHAEOLOGICAL TRUST
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AT 31 MARCH 2018**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	2018 Total funds £	2017 Total funds £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	11	13,264	-	13,264	24,023
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	12	197,591	-	197,591	227,319
Cash at bank		<u>90,826</u>	<u>4,717</u>	<u>95,543</u>	<u>151,556</u>
		<u>288,417</u>	<u>4,717</u>	<u>293,134</u>	<u>378,875</u>
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due within one year	13	(205,187)	-	(205,187)	(301,859)
NET CURRENT ASSETS					
		<u>83,230</u>	<u>4,717</u>	<u>87,947</u>	<u>77,016</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT					
LIABILITIES					
CREDITORS					
Amounts falling due after more than one year	14	(755,727)	-	(755,727)	(692,526)
NET ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)					
FUNDS	16	<u>(659,233)</u>	<u>4,717</u>	<u>(654,516)</u>	<u>(591,487)</u>
Unrestricted funds				(659,233)	(596,204)
Restricted funds				<u>4,717</u>	<u>4,717</u>
TOTAL FUNDS				<u>(654,516)</u>	<u>(591,487)</u>

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION - CONTINUED
AT 31 MARCH 2018**

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to charitable small companies.

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 12 December 2018 and were signed on its behalf by:

Mr F A Aberg -Trustee

Mr T Beech -Trustee

**GLAMORGAN-GWENT ARCHAEOLOGICAL TRUST
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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018**

	Notes	2018 £	2017 £
Cash flows from operating activities:			
Cash generated from operations	1	<u>(51,898)</u>	<u>(83,774)</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities		<u>(51,898)</u>	<u>(83,774)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities:			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(4,416)	(6,400)
Interest received		<u>301</u>	<u>961</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		<u>(4,115)</u>	<u>(5,439)</u>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		<u>(56,013)</u>	<u>(89,213)</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		<u>151,556</u>	<u>240,769</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		<u>95,543</u>	<u>151,556</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

GLAMORGAN-GWENT ARCHAEOLOGICAL TRUST
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NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2018

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
	2018	2017
	£	£
Net income/(expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the statement of financial activities)	(63,029)	92,388
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	15,175	15,095
Interest received	(301)	(961)
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	29,728	(59,156)
Decrease in creditors	<u>(33,471)</u>	<u>(131,140)</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>(51,898)</u>	<u>(83,774)</u>

**GLAMORGAN-GWENT ARCHAEOLOGICAL TRUST
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

The Trustees have reviewed the financial position of the Charitable Company, taking account of reserves and cash, the 2018-2019 Budget and longer term plans, together with its financial and risk management systems. The Trustees believe that the Charitable Company has adequate resources to continue to operate for the foreseeable future. Therefore, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual Financial Statements.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

The following specific policies are applied to particular categories of income:

- Grants are recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities in the period in which they are receivable.
- Investment income is included when receivable.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Fixtures and fittings	- 15% on reducing balance
Computer equipment	- 33% on cost

Taxation

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

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1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The Trust operates a Defined Contribution Scheme and a Defined Benefit Scheme.

Payments into the Defined Contribution scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the year incurred. The accounting charge for the period represents the employer's contributions payable.

The Defined Benefit Scheme, which is closed to new members, is a multi-employer scheme. The percentage share of underlying assets and liabilities belonging to the individual participating employers has been advised to the Trust by the Scheme Trustees. Therefore the liabilities attributed to the Trust have been valued in accordance with FRS 102, based on actuarial advice, and the appropriate share of the resulting deficit has been recognised as a liability in the balance sheet.

A deficit repayment plan has been entered into by the Trust. Because the actuarial assumptions used for accounting and funding differ the present value of these additional contributions may differ from the liability recognised in the balance sheet.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2018	2017
	£	£
Curatorial Services UA Support	103,761	101,727
Donations and other income	292	3,194
	<u>104,053</u>	<u>104,921</u>

3. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2018	2017
	£	£
Deposit account interest	<u>301</u>	<u>961</u>

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4. INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Activity	2018 £	2017 £
Other Curatorial Services	Other Curatorial Services	9,620	14,940
Grants	Grant Aided Work	292,412	305,550
Other projects	Other Archaeological Projects	315,317	449,829
		<u>617,349</u>	<u>770,319</u>

Grants received, included in the above, are as follows:

	2018 £	2017 £
CADW	<u>292,412</u>	<u>305,550</u>

5. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct costs £	Support costs (See note 6) £	Totals £
Grant Aided Work	296,923	-	296,923
Other Archaeological Projects	309,246	178,563	487,809
	<u>606,169</u>	<u>178,563</u>	<u>784,732</u>

6. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management £	Governance costs £	Totals £
Other Archaeological Projects	<u>169,155</u>	<u>9,408</u>	<u>178,563</u>

7. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2018 £	2017 £
Auditors' remuneration	5,000	3,333
Depreciation - owned assets	15,175	15,095
Hire of plant and machinery	1,853	3,952
Other operating leases	<u>6,004</u>	<u>7,418</u>

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8. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 March 2018 nor for the year ended 31 March 2017.

Trustees' expenses

During the period payments were made to trustees of £1,475 (2017: £814) and key management of £1,850 (2017: £1,257) in respect of reimbursement of expenses incurred wholly and exclusively for the purposes of trust activities.

All transactions were performed on an arms length basis.

9. STAFF COSTS

	2018 £	2017 £
Wages and salaries	496,457	570,787
Social security costs	41,291	48,928
Other pension costs	45,213	44,957
	<u>582,961</u>	<u>664,672</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2018	2017
Administration	4	5
Archaeological staff	20	23
	<u>24</u>	<u>28</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

10. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM			
Donations and legacies	104,921	-	104,921
Charitable activities			
Other Curatorial Services	14,940	-	14,940
Grant Aided Work	-	305,550	305,550
Other Archaeological Projects	449,829	-	449,829
Investment income	961	-	961
Total	<u>570,651</u>	<u>305,550</u>	<u>876,201</u>

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10. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued

	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Total funds £
EXPENDITURE ON			
Charitable activities			
Grant Aided Work	-	307,796	307,796
Other Archaeological Projects	476,017	-	476,017
Total	<u>476,017</u>	<u>307,796</u>	<u>783,813</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	94,634	(2,246)	92,388
Transfers between funds	<u>(2,246)</u>	<u>2,246</u>	-
Net movement in funds	92,388	-	92,388
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward	<u>(688,592)</u>	<u>4,717</u>	<u>(683,875)</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u>(596,204)</u>	<u>4,717</u>	<u>(591,487)</u>

11. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Fixtures and fittings £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 April 2017	46,322	96,875	143,197
Additions	-	4,416	4,416
At 31 March 2018	<u>46,322</u>	<u>101,291</u>	<u>147,613</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 April 2017	37,909	81,265	119,174
Charge for year	1,262	13,913	15,175
At 31 March 2018	<u>39,171</u>	<u>95,178</u>	<u>134,349</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 March 2018	<u>7,151</u>	<u>6,113</u>	<u>13,264</u>
At 31 March 2017	<u>8,413</u>	<u>15,610</u>	<u>24,023</u>

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12. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2018	2017
	£	£
Trade debtors	152,137	200,479
Amounts recoverable on contracts	28,464	12,015
Prepayments	16,990	14,825
	<u>197,591</u>	<u>227,319</u>

13. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2018	2017
	£	£
Trade creditors	18,305	36,449
Social security and other taxes	10,198	9,152
VAT	30,501	36,937
Pension creditor	27,343	83,300
Accruals and deferred income	118,840	136,021
	<u>205,187</u>	<u>301,859</u>

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

	2018	2017
	£	£
Pension creditor	<u>755,727</u>	<u>692,526</u>

15. LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under non-cancellable operating leases fall due as follows:

	2018	2017
	£	£
Within one year	36,836	35,500
Between one and five years	93,569	115,375
	<u>130,405</u>	<u>150,875</u>

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16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.4.17 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.18 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	(596,204)	(58,518)	(4,511)	(659,233)
Restricted funds				
CADW	-	(4,511)	4,511	-
Youth Volunteering Grant	3,990	-	-	3,990
Youth Heritage Fund	727	-	-	727
	<u>4,717</u>	<u>(4,511)</u>	<u>4,511</u>	<u>4,717</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>(591,487)</u>	<u>(63,029)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(654,516)</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	429,291	(487,809)	(58,518)
Restricted funds			
CADW	292,412	(296,923)	(4,511)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>721,703</u>	<u>(784,732)</u>	<u>(63,029)</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.4.16 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.3.17 £
Unrestricted Funds				
General fund	(688,592)	94,634	(2,246)	(596,204)
Restricted Funds				
CADW	-	(2,246)	2,246	-
Youth Volunteering Grant	3,990	-	-	3,990
Youth Heritage Fund	727	-	-	727
	<u>4,717</u>	<u>(2,246)</u>	<u>2,246</u>	<u>4,717</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>(683,875)</u>	<u>92,388</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(591,487)</u>

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16. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	570,651	(476,017)	94,634
Restricted funds			
CADW	305,550	(307,796)	(2,246)
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>876,201</u>	<u>(783,813)</u>	<u>92,388</u>

Grants received from CADW: Welsh Historic Monuments are awarded for specific projects and on condition that separate audited accounts are submitted to them.

Grants to support encouragement of Youth Volunteering made by the Welsh Council for Voluntary Action under the Gwirvol initiative are awarded for specific purposes.

The Youth Heritage Fund was established as part of the charitable company's 40th Anniversary celebrations. The purpose of the fund is to carry out or support projects that engage young persons with heritage and in particular archaeology.

The Glamorgan Gwent HER Charitable Trust

The Glamorgan-Gwent Archaeological Trust created a separate Trust, the GGAT HER Charitable Trust on 31 January 2008. The GGAT is presently the sole Trustee of this body.

Transactions during the year for this restricted fund are as follows:-

Balance at 1 April 2017	£	£
		Nil
Add: Resources Expended		
Governance Costs		
Salary costs	5,523	
Office rent	398	
Insurance	102	
Office & computer expenses	158	
	<u>6,180</u>	
Less: Deficit funded by the Trustee of the Trust		<u>(6,180)</u>
Balance at 31 March 2018		<u>-</u>

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17. PENSION COMMITMENTS

The Trust is a member of a defined benefit pension scheme operated for the benefit of the employees of a number of archaeological organisations, called the 'Archaeological Organisations Pension Scheme', which requires contributions to be made to a separate administered fund.

The latest full actuarial funding valuation was undertaken by independent qualified Actuaries, Aviva, as at 6 April 2018. In valuing the scheme, the Actuary used the projected unit method. The pension provision as at 31 March 2018 is based on the draft triennial valuation as at 6 April 2018

The pension cost charge to the statement of financial activities for the year amounts to £45,213 (2017:£44,957).

From the draft triennial valuation the scheme assets, liabilities and deficits are listed below: -

	Annual Update 6 April 2018 £
Value of Assets	10,562,000
Past Service Liability:	
Active Members	3,536,000
Members with Preserved Benefits	3,460,000
Pensioners Paid from Fund	4,062,000
	<u>11,058,000</u>
Deficit	496,000
Funding Level	96%

The principal assumptions in the Actuarial Report were:-

Return on investments - up to retirement	4.0% per annum
Return on investments - after retirement	4.0% per annum
Salary increases	3.0% per annum
Pension increases in payment - RPI (maximum 5%)	3.5% per annum
Early leaver indexation	2.8% per annum

Members who joined the scheme before 6 April 2000 retire at age 60 or their next birthday if over 60 at the valuation date whereas later joiners retire at normal retirement age.

At 6 April 2018 there were 22 active members and 52 members with preserved benefits with 20 pensioners from the fund of which 26 members relate to The Glamorgan-Gwent Archaeological Trust Limited.

There is currently a recovery plan in place to reduce the deficit on the pension scheme, this aims to eliminate the deficit by October 2026.

The Archaeological Organisations Pension scheme is a multi-employer scheme and as such in the event of one employer being unable to meet their liabilities the other employers within the scheme would be liable. It is a last man standing scheme.

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17. PENSION COMMITMENTS
- continued

The most significant differences in the actuarial assumptions used to measure the pension liabilities for accounting purposes, compared to the funding, are a discount rate of 2.6% and future increases in the RPI of 3.25%. Using these assumptions to measure the pension liabilities, rather than those used for funding purposes, leads to the liability of £783,070 recognised in the financial statements.

The expense recognised in the financial statements is made up of the change in liability arising from employee service during the reporting period £55,196, interest expense £19,434 and remeasurements of the defined benefit liability £18,711.

18. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

The Glamorgan-Gwent Archaeological Trust is a Trustee of the GGAT HER Charitable Trust, which was created on 31st January 2008.

19. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

There is no individual controlling party as the Trust is managed collectively by a board of Trustees.

20. GOING CONCERN

The Trustees have reviewed the financial position of the Charitable Company, taking account of reserves and cash, the 2018/19 Budget and longer term plans, together with its financial and risk management systems. The Trustees believe that the Charitable Company has adequate resources to continue to operate for the foreseeable future. Therefore, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the annual Financial Statements.

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