FORM AR27

Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992

ANNUAL RETURN FOR AN EMPLOYERS' ASSOCIATION

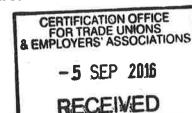
Name of Employers' Association:	SOUTH EAST EMPLOYERS		
Year ended:	31 ST MARCH 2016		
List No:	237E		
Head or Main Office:	2 CROWN WALK JEWRY STREET WINCHESTER HAMPSHIRE SO23 8BB		
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Has the address changed during the year to which the return relates?	Yes No x (Tick as appropriate)		
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RETURN OF MEMBERS

(see note 9)

NUMBER OF MEMBERS AT THE END OF THE YEAR						
Great Britain	. (
49						

OFFICERS IN POST

Regional Director

Jennifer McNeill

Treasurer

Alexis Garlick

resigned 8 March 2016

Stephen Fitzgerald as interim 9 March - 16 May 2016

Executive Committee

Cllr Richard Burrett re-elected 17 July 2015 Cllr Rory Love re-elected 17 July 2015 Cllr Neville Whiteley resigned 17 July 2015 Cllr Maureen Holding re-elected 17 July 2015 resigned 17 July 2015 Cllr Mo Marsh Cllr Paul Taylor re-elected 17 July 2015 Cllr lan Ward re-elected 17 July 2015 Cllr Bob Wade resigned 17 July 2015 Cllr Rob Blezzard re-elected 17 July 2015 Cllr Paulina Stockell re-elected 17 July 2015 Cllr Rob Stanton resigned 17 July 2015 Cllr John Burden resigned 17 July 2015 Cllr Jeanette Green re-elected 17 July 2015 Cllr Andrew Pope resigned 17 July 2015 Cllr Stuart Munro re-elected 17 July 2015 Cllr David Elkin elected 17 July 2015 Cllr David Bilbé elected 17 July 2015 Cllr Robin Bradburn elected 17 July 2015 elected 17 July 2015 Cllr Tony Page Cllr Sohail Munawar elected 17 July 2015 **Cllr Preston Brooker** elected 17 July 2015 Cllr Brian Parnell elected 17 July 2015

Cllr Arif Hussain

resigned 20 November 2015

elected 17 July 2015

CHANGE OF OFFICERS

Please complete the following to record any changes of officers during the twelve months covered by this return.

Title of Office	Name of Officer ceasing to hold office	Name of Officer Appointed	Date of Change
Treasurer	Alexis Garlick	Stephen Fitzgerald	8 th March 2016
Executive Committee Member	Cllr Mo Marsh	Cllr David Elkin	17 th July 2015
Executive Committee Member	Cllr Bob Wade	Cllr David Bilbe	17 th July 2015
Executive Committee Member	Cllr Rob Stanton	Cllr Robin Bradburn	17 th July 2015
Executive Committee Member	Cllr John Burden	Cllr Tony Page	17 th July 2015
Executive Committee Member	Cllr Andrew Pope	Cllr Sohail Munawar	17 th July 2015
Executive Committee Member	Cllr Neville Whiteley	Cllr Preston Booker	17 th July 2015
Executive Committee Member		Cllr Arif Hussain	17 th July 2015
Executive Committee Member	Cllr Brian Parnell		20 th November 2015

REVENUE ACCOUNT/GENERAL FUND

(see notes 11 to 16)

Previous Year			£	£
Teal	INCOME			
381,404	From Members	Subscriptions, levies, etc	372,448	
	Investment income			
7,581 20,000		Bank interest (gross) Defined Benefit Pension Scheme	7,319 (70,000)	
20,000		Defined Deficit Pension Scheme	(70,000)	309,767
356,184	Other income	Consultancy food	205 404	
16,077	Other income	Consultancy fees Other project funding	305,491 18,286	
				323,777
781,246		TOTAL INCOME		633,544
·	EXPENDITURE			000,011
	Administrative exper	nses		
442,830		Remuneration and expenses of staff	441,804	
46,429 5,431		Occupancy costs	47,244	
9,766		Printing, Stationery, Post Telephones	6,807 9,818	
5,931		Legal and Professional fees	5,585	
6,697		Insurance	6,232	
11,469		Equipment leases & maintenance	10,629	
47,000		Finance/IT contract	46,000	
1,937		Website	1,450	
1,286		Other IT costs	1,308	
3,150	Other charges	Affiliation fees	3,400	10
0.400				
8,466 69,962		Conference and meeting costs External consultancy and other training	5,677	
12,456		Other project expenditure	46,722 12,809	
,		outer project experientare	12,000	
672,810		TOTAL EXPENDITURE		645,485
3. 2,010				0-10,700
108,436		Surplus/Deficit for year		(11,941)
(290,000)	Actuarial gain/(loss)	in respect of defined benefit pension scheme		380,000
(1,484,174)		Amount of fund at beginning of year		(1,665,738)
(1,665,738)		Amount of fund at end of year		(1,297,679)

ACCOUNTS OTHER THAN THE REVENUE ACCOUNT/GENERAL FUND

(See notes 17 to 18)

ACCOUNT 2			Fund Account
Name of account:		£	£
Income	From members Investment income Other income (specify)		
		Total Income	
Expenditure	Administrative expenses Other expenditure (specify)		
1		al Expenditure	
v	Amount of fund at the end of year (as		

ACCOUNT 3				Fund Account
Name of account:			£	£
Income				
	From members			
	Investment income			-
	Other income (specify)			
			Total Income	
			3	
¥				
Expenditure				
	Administrative expenses			
	Other expenditure (specify)			
2				
		Tot	al Expenditure	
			icit) for the year	
	Amount of fund at beginning of year			
	Amount of fund at the			

ACCOUNTS OTHER THAN THE REVENUE ACCOUNT/GENERAL FUND

(See notes 17 to 18)

ACCOUNT 4			Fund Account
Name of account:		£	£
Income			
	From members Investment income Other income (specify)		
2			
*:		Total Income	
Expenditure			Đ
	Administrative expenses Other expenditure (specify)		
	Ti di		
	×		
		tal Expenditure	
		ficit) for the year	
	Amount of fund at the		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as	Balance Sheet)	

ACCOUNT 5				Fund Account
Name of account:			£	£
Income	_			
	From members			
	Investment income		77	
	Other income (specify)			
			Total Income	
E 19	#			
Expenditure	A desiminaturative accessors			
	Administrative expenses Other expenditure (specify)			
	Other experiature (specify)			
	*			
		Tot	al Expenditure	
		Surplus (Def	ficit) for the year	
		Amount of fund at be	eginning of year	
	Amount of fund at	the end of year (as	Balance Sheet)	

ACCOUNTS OTHER THAN THE REVENUE ACCOUNT/GENERAL FUND

(See notes 17 to 18)

ACCOUNT 6	1.		Fund Account
Name of		£	£
account: Income			
incomo	From members Investment income Other income (specify)		
		Total Income	
	\$5		
Expenditure	Administrative expenses Other expenditure (specify)		
	_		
		al Expenditure] 12
		icit) for the year	
	Amount of fund at be		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as	Balance Sheet)	

ACCOUNT 7			Fund
Name of account:		£	Account
Income			
	From members		
	Investment income		
	Other income (specify)		
	<u>-</u>	Γotal Income	-
-			
	7	#V ====	
Expenditure	A. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1. 1.		
	Administrative expenses		
	Other expenditure (specify)		
	4		
	Total	Expenditure	
	Surplus (Deficit		
*:	Amount of fund at begi		
	Amount of fund at the end of year (as Ba		

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31st March 2016 (See notes 19 and 20)

Previous Year	(See flotes 19 and 20)	£	
0	Fixed Appete (so at page 11)		£
0	Fixed Assets (as at page 11)	0	
	Investments (as per analysis on page 13)		
0	Quoted (Market value £)	0	
0	Unquoted	0	0
	Total Investments		
	Other Assets		
507,603	Sundry debtors	534,556	
913,753	Reserve Deposits & Bank Accounts	944,596	
	·	, ,	
		==	
	Total of other assets	W	
1,421,356	TOTAL ASSETS		1,479,152
			.,,
914,262	General 'Fund		972,321
(2,580,000)	Defined Benefit Pension Scheme Liability		(2,270,000)
(1,665,738)			(1,297,679)
	Liabilities		
85,551	VAT payable	84,180	
10,548	Sundry Creditors	16,071	
35,508	Accrued expenses	51,285	
375,487	Other liabilities – Deferred Grant /Income	355,295	
2,580,000	Defined Benefit Pension Scheme Liability	2,270,000	
3,087,094	TOTAL	L LIABILITIES	2,776,831
1,421,356	TOT	TAL ASSETS	1,479,152
			,

FIXED ASSETS ACCOUNT

(See note 21)

	Land & Buildings	Fixtures & Fittings	Motor Vehicles & Equipment	Total
•	£	£	£	£
COST OR VALUATION				
At start of period				
Additions during period				
Logo: Dianopale during nation				
Less: Disposals during period				
Less: DEPRECIATION:	220		-	
Total to end of period				
1				_
~	**		-	
BOOK AMOUNT at end of period			_	
£		C		
~				
Freehold	•			+
				-
*			9	
Leasehold (50 or more years			-	
unexpired)				
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y		-3	8	
Leasehold (less than 50 years				
unexpired)	:			
A				
				*
AS BALANCE SHEET				

ANALYSIS OF INVESTMENTS

(See note 22)

42		Other Funds £
QUOTED	British Government & British Government Guaranteed Securities	
	British Municipal and County Securities	7
	Other quoted securities (to be specified)	_
	TOTAL QUOTED (as Balance Sheet)	
4	*Market Value of Quoted Investments	
UNQUOTED	British Government Securities	
	British Municipal and County Securities	
		50
	Mortgages	
	(A).	
	Other unquoted securities (to be specified)	
	TOTAL OLIOTED (as Dalamas Obsert)	
	TOTAL QUOTED (as Balance Sheet)	
	*Market Value of Unquoted Investments	

^{*} Market value of investments to be stated where these are different from the figures quoted in the balance sheet

ANALYSIS OF INVESTMENT INCOME (CONTROLLING INTERESTS) (See notes 23 to 25)

Does the association, or any constituent part of the controlling interest in any limited company?	ne association, have a	YES	NO X
If YES name the relevant companies:			
COMPANY NAME	COMPANY REGISTRA registered in England & registered)		•
	,		
		•	
INCORPORATED E	MPLOYERS' ASSOCIA	TIONS	
Are the shares which are controlled by the associassociation's name	ation registered in the	YES	NO
If NO, please state the names of the persons in whom the shares controlled by the association are registered.			
COMPANY NAME	NAMES OF SHAREHO	LDERS	
· ·			
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	4		
UNINCORPORATED	EMPLOYERS ASSOCIA	ATIONS	
Are the shares which are controlled by the association's trustees?	ation registered in the	YES	NO
If NO, state the names of the persons in whom the		L	
shares controlled by the association are registered.			
COMPANY NAME	NAMES OF SHAREHO	LDERS	

SUMMARY SHEET

(See notes 26 to 35)

	All funds except Political Funds £	Political Funds £	Total Funds £
INCOME			
From Members	372,448		372,448
From Investments	7,319)):	7,319
Other Income (including increases by revaluation of assets)	323,777		323,777
Actuarial gain in respect of defined benefit pension scheme	380,000		380,000
Total Income	1,083,544		1,083,544
EXPENDITURE	645,485		645,485
Defined Benefit Pension Scheme	70,000		70,000
Total Expenditure	715,485		715,485
"			
Funds at beginning of year (including reserves)	(1,665,738)		(1,665,738)
Funds at end of year (including reserves)	(1,297,679)		(1,297,679)
		.9	
ASSETS	Other Assets		1,479,152
		Total Assets	1,479,152
LIABILITIES		Total Liabilities	(2,776,831)
NET ASSETS (Total Assets less Tota	l Liabilities)		(1,297,679)

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS

(See note 36)

All notes to the accounts must be entered on or attached to this part of the return.

SOUTH EAST EMPLOYERS

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

1. Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The accounts have been prepared on the basis of the historical cost convention and incorporate the results of the principal activity which is that of an employers' association.

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable UK accounting standards and with the provisions of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

The pension liability uses the Consumer Price Index (CPI) as the inflation measure for determining the minimum pension increase to be applied to the statutory index-linked features of retirement benefits. There is no expectation that the pension fund will need to be distributed in full during the next twelve months and therefore there will be no requirement to make good the pension fund liability. The net asset position of the organisation excluding the pension scheme deficit is £972,321, with the majority of this being cash reserves. On this basis, the executive committee considers it appropriate to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis.

Income

Subscription income is recognised in the year to which the subscriptions relate. Where it relates to a future period the income is deferred.

Course and seminar income represents the amount receivable by the organisation for training services and information provided in the normal course of business, after making due allowance for deferred amounts, exclusive of Value Added Tax. Amounts receivable for courses and seminars are recognised in the period in which the course or seminar is delivered.

Operating lease agreements

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are charged against profits on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Financial instruments

Financial instruments are classified and accounted for, according to the substance of the contractual arrangement, as financial assets, financial liabilities or equity instruments. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the company after deducting all of its liabilities.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

1. Accounting policies (continued)

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The organisation operates a defined benefit pension scheme for certain employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the organisation. Contributions to the scheme are charged to the Income and Expenditure account so as to spread the cost of pensions over the employees' working lives. The contributions are determined by a qualified actuary on the basis of triennial valuations.

Pension scheme liabilities are measured on an actuarial basis using a projected unit method and are discounted to their present value using an AA corporate bond rate.

Pension scheme assets are valued at market value at the Balance Sheet date.

The pension scheme deficit is recognised in full on the Balance Sheet.

2. Operating surplus

Operating surplus is stated after charging:

	2016	2015
	2	£
Auditors remuneration	4,300	4,200
3. Interest payable and similar charges		
	2016	2015
	2	£
Net finance expense/(gain) in respect of defined benefit pension schemes	70,000	(20,000)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

4.	Debtors		
		2016	2015
		2	£
	Trade debtors Other debtors	500,781 33,776	458,000 49,603
		534,557	507,603
5.	Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year		
		2016	2015
		£	£
	Trade creditors Other taxation and social security Other creditors	16,071 84,180 406,581	10,548 85,551 410,995

6. Pension commitments

The organisation contributes to a Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) providing benefits based on final pensionable pay. The LGPS is a funded defined benefit scheme, with the assets of the scheme held separately from those of the organisation and are administered under an Admission agreement with Hampshire County Council Pension Fund.

The contributions are determined annually by the administrators of the Hampshire County Council Pension Fund based on a triennial actuarial valuation using the projected unit method and determined by a qualified actuary. The last valuation was carried out on 31 March 2013.

Principal Actuarial Assumptions

The organisation has applied the following financial assumptions in assessing the defined benefit liabilities:

	2016	2015	2014	2013
	%	%	%	%
Rate of increase in salaries	3.2	3.3	3.8	4.6
Rate of increase in pensions in payment	1.7	1.8	2.3	27
Discount rate	3.4	3.2	4.3	4.3
RPI Inflation assumption	2.8	2.9	3.3	3.6
CPI Inflation assumption	1.7	1.8	2.3	2.7

Effective from 1 April 2011, the organisation switched to use the Consumer Price Index (CPI) rather than the Retail Price Index (RPI) as the inflation measure for determining the minimum pension increase to be applied to the statutory index-linked features of retirement benefits.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

6. Pension commitments (continued)

The fair value of the scheme assets, the present value of the scheme liabilities and the resulting deficit are:

	2016	2015	2014	2013
	£	£	£	£
Total market value of assets Present value of scheme liabilities	5,590,000 (7,860,000		5,000,000 (7,310,000)	4,690,000 (7,380,000)
Net pension liability	(2,270,000	(2,580,000)	(2,310,000)	(2,690,000)
	,	Value at 31 March 2016 £		Value at 31 March 2015 £
Equities Property Bonds Cash Other	<u>.</u>	3,147,170 458,380 1,554,020 262,730 167,700		3,248,360 449,600 1,517,400 207,940 196,700
Total market value of assets		5,590,000		5,620,000
Present value of scheme liabilities: - funded	_	(7,860,000)		(8,200,000)
Deficit in the scheme	_	(2,270,000)		(2,580,000)
An analysis of the defined benefit cost to	llows:			
Analysis of the amount charged to opera	ting surplus:		2016	2015
			2	£
Current service cost .			(70,000)	(60,000)
Total operating charge		_	(70,000)	(60,000)
Analysis of the amount charged to finance	e costs:			
a			2016	2015
			2	£
Other finance costs: Interest on pension Other finance costs: Expected return on			(260,000) 180,000	(310,000) 310,000
Total finance costs		v -	(80,000)	e ' ' ' '

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

6. Pension commitments (continued)

An analysis of the amount recognised in the statement of total recognised gains and losses is shown below:

	2016 £	2015 £
Total actuarial gain/(losses)	380,000	(290,000)
An analysis of the movements in deficit during the year are shown below	w:	
	2016 £	2015 £
At 1 April Total operating charge Total other finance costs Actuarial (loss)/gain Contributions	(2,580,000) (70,000) (80,000) 380,000 80,000	(2,310,000) (60,000) (290,000) 80,000
At 31 March	(2,270,000)	(2,580,000)
Asset and Liability Reconciliation	2016	2015
Reconciliation of liabilities	2	£
At 1 April Current service cost Interest cost Employee contributions Actuarial loss/(gain) Net benefits paid out	8,200,000 70,000 260,000 20,000 (470,000) (220,000)	7,310,000 60,000 310,000 20,000 700,000 (200,000)
At 31 March	7,860,000	8,200,000
Reconciliation of assets At 1 April Expected return on assets Actuarial (loss)/gain on assets Employer contributions Employee contributions Net benefits paid out	2016 £ 5,620,000 180,000 (90,000) 80,000 20,000 (220,000)	2015 £ 5,000,000 310,000 410,000 90,000 20,000 (200,000)
At 31 March	5,590,000	5,620,000

SIGNATURES TO THE ANNUAL RETURN

(See notes 39 and 40)

Including the accounts and balance sheet contained in the return.

Secretary's Signature:	Treasurers Signature:
Name: JENNIFER MCNEILL	Name: SIMON LITTLE
Date: 30 8 16	Date: 30/08/2012

CHECK LIST

(See note 41)

(Please tick as appropriate)

IS THE RETURN OF OFFICERS ATTACHED? (see Page 3)	YES	Х	NO	
HAS THE RETURN OF CHANGE OF OFFICERS BEEN COMPLETED? (see Page 3)	YES	Х	NO -	
HAS THE RETURN BEEN SIGNED? (see Note 38)	YES	X	NO	
HAS THE AUDITOR'S REPORT BEEN COMPLETED (see Note 39)	YES	X	NO	
IS A RULE BOOK ENCLOSED? (see Note 40)	YES	Χ	NO	
HAS THE SUMMARY SHEET BEEN COMPLETED (see Notes 6 and 25 to 34)	YES	Х	NO	

AUDITOR'S REPORT

(See notes 42 to 47)

Made in accordance with section 36 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

1. In the opinion of the auditors or auditor do the accounts they have audited and which are contained in this return give a true and fair view of the matters to which they relate? (See section 36(1) and (2) of the 1992 Act and notes 43 and 44)

YES/NO

If "No" please explain below.

- 2. Have the auditors or auditor carried out such investigations in the preparation of their audit report as will enable them to form an opinion as to:
 - (a) whether the trade union has kept proper accounting records in accordance with section 28 of the 1992 Act;
 - (b) whether it has maintained a satisfactory system of control over its transactions in accordance with the requirements of that section; and
 - (c) whether the accounts to which the report relates agree with the accounting records? (See section 36(3) of the 1992 Act, set out in note 43)

YES/NO

If "No" please explain below.

- 3. Are the auditors or auditor of the opinion that the union has complied with section 28 of the 1992 Act and has:
 - (a) kept proper accounting records with respect to its transactions and its assets and liabilities; and
 - (b) established and maintained a satisfactory system of control of its accounting records, its cash holding and all its receipts and remittances.

(See section 36(4) of the 1992 Act set out in note 43)

YES/NO

If "No" please explain below.

4. Please set out a copy of the report made by the auditors or auditor to the union on the accounts to which this AR27 relates. The report is to set out the basis upon which the audit has been conducted and/or such other statement as the auditor considers appropriate. Such a statement may be provided as a separate document.

(See note 45)

Please see attached

AUDITOR'S REPORT (continued)

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Signature(s) of auditor or auditors:	Whin terredy LLP	
Name(s):	Wilkins Kennedy LLP	
Profession(s) or Calling(s):	Statutory Auditor & Chartered Accountants	
Address(es):	Templars House Lulworth Close Chandlers Ford SO53 3TL	
Date:	23/08/2016	
Contact name and telephone number:	Oliver Rowe 023 8024 7070	

N.B. When notes to the accounts are referred to in the auditor's report a copy of those notes must accompany this return.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SOUTH EAST EMPLOYERS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

We have audited the financial statements of South East Employers for the year ended 31 March 2016 which comprise the Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance Sheet 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 organisation's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 36 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the organisation'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 organisation and the organisation's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of the Executive Committee and auditor

The Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 and the Trade Union Reform and Employment Rights Act 1993 require the officers of South East Employers to: prepare financial statements and keep proper accounting records which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of South East Employers and explain its transactions; establish and maintain a satisfactory system of control of the accounting records, cash holding and all the receipts and remittances; prepare an annual return for the Certification Officer giving a true and fair view of the revenue account and balance sheet and provide members of South East Employers with a statement of income and expenditure for the year. 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 (APB'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 organisation's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Executive Committee; and the overall presentation of the financial statements.

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view, in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state
 of the organisation's affairs as at 31 March 2016 and of its income and expenditure for the year then
 ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SOUTH EAST EMPLOYERS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where The Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 and the Trade Union Reform and Employment Rights Act 1993 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- proper books of account have not been kept by the organisation in accordance with the requirements of the legislation;
- a satisfactory system of control over transactions has not been maintained by the organisation in accordance with the requirements of the legislation;
- the revenue account to which our report relates, and the balance sheet are not in agreement with the books of account of the organisation; and
- we have not obtained all the information and explanations necessary for the purposes of our audit.

Wilkins Kennedy LLP

Chartered Accountants & Statutory Auditor

Templars House Lulworth Close

Chandlers Ford

Hampshire

SO53 3TL

Date: 23 August 2016

SOUTH EAST EMPLOYERS FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

Regional Director

Jennifer McNeill

Treasurer

Alexis Garlick

resigned 8 March 2016

re-elected 17 July 2015

Stephen Fitzgerald as interim 9 March - 16 May 2016

Executive Committee

Cllr Richard Burrett **Cllr Rory Love** Cllr Neville Whiteley Cllr Maureen Holding Cllr Mo Marsh Cllr Paulina Stockell

Cllr Paul Taylor Cllr Ian Ward Cllr Bob Wade Cllr Rob Blezzard Cllr Rob Stanton Cllr John Burden Cllr Jeanette Green Cllr Andrew Pope Cllr Stuart Munro Cllr David Elkin Cllr David Bilbé Cllr Robin Bradburn Cllr Tony Page Cllr Sohail Munawar Cllr Preston Brooker Cllr Brian Parnell

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Statutory Auditors and Chartered Accountants

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STATEMENT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE RESPONSIBILITIES YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

Employers' Association legislation requires the organisation to prepare accounts for the financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the organisation and of the surplus or deficit of the organisation for that year. In preparing those accounts the organisation delegates authority to the Executive Committee and Regional Director to:

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

The Executive Committee is responsible for ensuring that arrangements are made for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the organisation and to enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the relevant legislation. It is also responsible for ensuring that there is a satisfactory system of control over these records, through the appointment of Trustees of the organisation, and for safeguarding the assets of the organisation and hence for taking responsible steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

In so far as the Executive Committee, as individuals, are aware:

- there is no relevant audit information of which the organisation's auditor is unaware; and
- the Executive Committee have taken all steps that they ought to have taken to make themselves aware of any audit information and to ensure that the auditor is aware of that information.

On behalf of the committee

SIGNED BY JENNIFER MCNEILL Jennifer McNeill Regional Director

Approved by the Executive Committee on 2014 July 2016

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SOUTH EAST EMPLOYERS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

We have audited the financial statements of South East Employers for the year ended 31 March 2016 which comprise the Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance Sheet 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 organisation's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 36 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the organisation'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 organisation and the organisation's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of the Executive Committee and auditor

The Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 and the Trade Union Reform and Employment Rights Act 1993 require the officers of South East Employers to: prepare financial statements and keep proper accounting records which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of South East Employers and explain its transactions; establish and maintain a satisfactory system of control of the accounting records, cash holding and all the receipts and remittances; prepare an annual return for the Certification Officer giving a true and fair view of the revenue account and balance sheet and provide members of South East Employers with a statement of income and expenditure for the year. 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 (APB'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 organisation's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Executive Committee; and the overall presentation of the financial statements.

Opinion on financial statements

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view, in accordance with UK Generally Accepted Accounting Practice, of the state of the organisation's affairs as at 31 March 2016 and of its income and expenditure for the year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SOUTH EAST EMPLOYERS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

Matters on which we are required to report by exception

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where The Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992 and the Trade Union Reform and Employment Rights Act 1993 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- proper books of account have not been kept by the organisation in accordance with the requirements of the legislation;
- a satisfactory system of control over transactions has not been maintained by the organisation in accordance with the requirements of the legislation;
- the revenue account to which our report relates, and the balance sheet are not in agreement with the books of account of the organisation; and
- we have not obtained all the information and explanations necessary for the purposes of our audit.

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Wilkins Kennedy LLP Chartered Accountants & Statutory Auditor Templars House Lulworth Close Chandlers Ford Hampshire SO53 3TL

Date: SIGNED 23.4D AVOUST 2016

INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

3 		2016	2015
	Note	£	£
Income		696,225	753,665
Administrative expenses		(645,485)	(672,810)
Operating surplus	2	50,740	80,855
Interest receivable		7,319	7,581
Interest (payable) and similar (charges)/gains	3	(70,000)	20,000
Surplus/(deficit) for the financial year		(11,941)	108,436

All of the activities of the organisation are classed as continuing.

The notes on pages 10 to 16 form part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF TOTAL RECOGNISED GAINS AND LOSSES YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

	2016	2015
	£	£
Surplus/(deficit) for the financial year	(11,941)	108,436
Actuarial (loss)/gain in respect of defined benefit pension scheme (note 6)	380,000	(290,000)
Total gains and (losses) recognised since the last annual report	368,059	(181,564)

BALANCE SHEET 31 MARCH 2016

		2016		2015	
	Note	£	£	£	£
Current assets					
Debtors Cash at bank	4	534,557 944,596		507,603 913,753	
		1,479,153	žn.	1,421,356	
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	5	(506,832)		(507,094)	
Net current assets		R 7.00-	972,321		914,262
Net assets excluding pension liability			972,321		914,262
Defined benefit pension scheme Liability	6		(2,270,000)		(2,580,000)
Net (liabilities)/assets including pension liability			(1,297,679)		(1,665,738)
Capital and reserves					
Income and expenditure account: General reserve	10		972,321		914,262
Pension liability	6		(2,270,000)		(2,580,000)
			(1,297,679)		

The financial statements were approved by the Executive Committee and are signed on their behalf by:

SIGNED BY JENNIFER MCNEILL

Jennifer McNeill

Regional Director

SIGNED BY SIMON LITTLE

Simon Little

Head of Finance

Winchester City Council

Dated: 20TH JULY 2016

The notes on pages 10 to 16 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2015

1. Accounting policies

Basis of accounting

The accounts have been prepared on the basis of the historical cost convention and incorporate the results of the principal activity which is that of an employers' association.

The financial statements are prepared in accordance with applicable UK accounting standards and with the provisions of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992.

The pension liability uses the Consumer Price Index (CPI) as the inflation measure for determining the minimum pension increase to be applied to the statutory index-linked features of retirement benefits. There is no expectation that the pension fund will need to be distributed in full during the next twelve months and therefore there will be no requirement to make good the pension fund liability. The net asset position of the organisation excluding the pension scheme deficit is £972,321, with the majority of this being cash reserves. On this basis, the executive committee considers it appropriate to prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis.

Income

Subscription income is recognised in the year to which the subscriptions relate. Where it relates to a future period the income is deferred.

Course and seminar income represents the amount receivable by the organisation for training services and information provided in the normal course of business, after making due allowance for deferred amounts, exclusive of Value Added Tax. Amounts receivable for courses and seminars are recognised in the period in which the course or seminar is delivered.

Operating lease agreements

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor are charged against profits on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

Financial instruments

Financial instruments are classified and accounted for, according to the substance of the contractual arrangement, as financial assets, financial liabilities or equity instruments. An equity instrument is any contract that evidences a residual interest in the assets of the company after deducting all of its liabilities.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

1. Accounting policies (continued)

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The organisation operates a defined benefit pension scheme for certain employees. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the organisation. Contributions to the scheme are charged to the Income and Expenditure account so as to spread the cost of pensions over the employees' working lives. The contributions are determined by a qualified actuary on the basis of triennial valuations.

Pension scheme liabilities are measured on an actuarial basis using a projected unit method and are discounted to their present value using an AA corporate bond rate.

Pension scheme assets are valued at market value at the Balance Sheet date.

The pension scheme deficit is recognised in full on the Balance Sheet.

2. Operating surplus

Operating surplus is stated after charging:

		2016 £	2015 £
	Auditors remuneration	4,300	4,200
3.	Interest payable and similar charges		
		2016	2015
		£	£
	Net finance expense/(gain) in respect of defined benefit pension schemes	70,000	(20,000)

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

4.	Debtors		
		2016	2015
		£	£
	Trade debtors Other debtors	500,781 33,776	458,000 49,603
		534,557	507,603
5.	Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	0046	2015
		2016	2015
		£	£
	Trade creditors	16,071	10,548
	Other taxation and social security	84,180	<i>85,551</i>
	Other creditors	406,581	410,995
		506,832	507,094

6. Pension commitments

The organisation contributes to a Local Government Pension Scheme (LGPS) providing benefits based on final pensionable pay. The LGPS is a funded defined-benefit scheme, with the assets of the scheme held separately from those of the organisation and are administered under an Admission agreement with Hampshire County Council Pension Fund.

The contributions are determined annually by the administrators of the Hampshire County Council Pension Fund based on a triennial actuarial valuation using the projected unit method and determined by a qualified actuary. The last valuation was carried out on 31 March 2013.

Principal Actuarial Assumptions

The organisation has applied the following financial assumptions in assessing the defined benefit liabilities:

	2016	2015	2014	2013
	%	%	%	%
Rate of increase in salaries	3.2	3.3	3.8	4.6
Rate of increase in pensions in payment	1.7	1.8	2.3	2.7
Discount rate	3.4	3.2	4.3	4.3
RPI Inflation assumption	2.8	2.9	3.3	3.6
CPI Inflation assumption	1.7	1.8	2.3	2.7

Effective from 1 April 2011, the organisation switched to use the Consumer Price Index (CPI) rather than the Retail Price Index (RPI) as the inflation measure for determining the minimum pension increase to be applied to the statutory index-linked features of retirement benefits.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

6. Pension commitments (continued)

The fair value of the scheme assets, the present value of the scheme liabilities and the resulting deficit are:

	2016	2015	2014	2013
	£	£	£	£
Total market value of assets Present value of scheme liabilities	5,590,000 (7,860,000)		5,000,000 (7,310,000)	4,690,000 (7,380,000)
Net pension liability	(2,270,000)	(2,580,000)	(2,310,000)	(2,690,000)
	;	Value at 31 March 2016 £		Value at 31 March 2015 £
Equities Property Bonds Cash Other	_	3,147,170 458,380 1,554,020 262,730 167,700		3,248,360 449,600 1,517,400 207,940 196,700
Total market value of assets		5,590,000		5,620,000
Present value of scheme liabilities: - funded	_	(7,860,000)	9	(8,200,000)
Deficit in the scheme	_	(2,270,000)		(2,580,000)
An analysis of the defined benefit cost follows:	lows:			
Analysis of the amount charged to operati	ing surplus:		2016	2015
			£	£
Current service cost			(70,000)	(60,000)
Total operating charge		-	(70,000)	(60,000)
Analysis of the amount charged to finance	e costs:			
			2016	2015
			£	£
Other finance costs: Interest on pension Other finance costs: Expected return on a			(260,000) 180,000	(310,000) 310,000
Total finance costs		-	(80,000)	5#1
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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

6. Pension commitments (continued)

An analysis of the amount recognised in the statement of total recognised gains and losses is shown below:

	2016 £	2015 £
Total actuarial gain/(losses)	380,000	(290,000)
An analysis of the movements in deficit during the year are shown below	w:	
	2016 £	2015 £
At 1 April Total operating charge Total other finance costs Actuarial (loss)/gain Contributions	(2,580,000) (70,000) (80,000) 380,000 80,000	(2,310,000) (60,000) (290,000) 80,000
At 31 March	(2,270,000)	(2,580,000)
Asset and Liability Reconciliation	2016	2015
Reconciliation of liabilities	£	£
At 1 April Current service cost Interest cost Employee contributions Actuarial loss/(gain) Net benefits paid out	8,200,000 70,000 260,000 20,000 (470,000) (220,000)	7,310,000 60,000 310,000 20,000 700,000 (200,000)
At 31 March	7,860,000	8,200,000
Reconciliation of assets	2016 £	2015 £
At 1 April Expected return on assets Actuarial (loss)/gain on assets Employer contributions Employee contributions Net benefits paid out	5,620,000 180,000 (90,000) 80,000 20,000 (220,000)	5,000,000 310,000 410,000 80,000 20,000 (200,000)
At 31 March	5,590,000	5,620,000

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

6. Pension commitments (continued)

Amounts for the current and previous three periods are as follows:

	2016	2015	2014	2013
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Fair value of scheme assets Present value of scheme liabilities	5,590 (7,860)	5,620 (8,200)	5,000 (7,310)	4,690 (7,380)
Deficit in scheme	(2,270)	(2,580)	(2,310)	(2,690)
Experience adjustment on scheme assets Experience adjustment on scheme liabilities	(90) 70	410 60	170 (280)	370 10

7. Commitments under operating leases

At 31 March 2016 the organisation had aggregate annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as set out below:

	2016	2015
	£	£
Operating leases which expire:		
Within 2 to 5 years	32,402	32,402
	32,402	32,402

The lease for Crown Walk was negotiated on the 24 December 2013. The term of the lease is 5 years with a rent free period of 4 weeks. The average cost of the lease is £23,818 per annum.

8. Related party transactions

During the year the organisation incurred consultancy charges from Silkstead Consultancy Ltd of £3,772 (2015 - £5,708). Keith Field is the director of Silkstead Consultancy Ltd and partner of Jennifer McNeill. At the year end, a balance of £nil (2015 - £nil) was outstanding in trade creditors.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

9. Higher paid employees

The number of employees whose emoluments (excluding employer's pension contributions) exceeded £50,000 was:

	2016	2015
£60,000 - £64,999	1	1
£90,000 - £94,999	1	1

During the year the following amounts were paid to higher paid employees as shown above:

	2016		2015	
	Regional Development Director Director		Regional Director	Development Director
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Salary	86	57	86	<i>57</i>
Other remuneration	6	4	5	3
Employers pension contributions_	14	9	13	9
	106	70	104	69

10. Income and expenditure account

	2016	2015
	£	£
Balance brought forward Surplus/(deficit) for the financial year Defined pension benefit scheme	(1,665,738) (11,941) 380,000	(1,484,174) 108,436 (290,000)
Balance carried forward	(1,297,679)	(1,665,738)

11. Control

The organisation is controlled by the Executive Committee on behalf of the members of the organisation.

MANAGEMENT INFORMATION YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

The following pages do not form part of the statutory financial statements which are the subject of the independent auditor's report on pages 5 to 6.

DETAILED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

2016	2015
£	£
355,296	362,695
17,152	18,709
305,491	356,184
18,286	16,077
696,225	753,665
(645,485)	(672,810)
50,740	80,855
7,319	7,581
58,059	88,436
(70,000)	20,000
(11,941)	108,436
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NOTES TO THE DETAILED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2016

	2016		2015	
	£	£	£	£
Administrative expenses				
Personnel costs				
Wages and salaries	426,612		425,932	
		426,612		425,932
Establishment expenses				
Rent	23,818		23,820	
Rates and water	13,210		12,940	
Light and heat	4,962		4,743	
Insurance	6,232		6,697	
Cleaning of premises	3,092		3,377	
Other establishment expenses	2,162		1,549	
		53,476		53,126
General expenses				
Travel and subsistence	14,351		14,482	
Telephone	4,340		4,283	
Hire of equipment	10,629		11,469	
Printing, stationery and postage	6,807		5,431	
Computer costs	8,236		8,706	
Conference costs	6,369		8,917	
Staff training	150		1,965	
Sundry expenses	3,400		3,150	
Other programme expenditure	12,809		12,456	
Legal and professional fees External consultancy and other training	465		965	
expenditure	46,721		69,962	
Accountancy fees	820		766	
Auditors remuneration	4,300		4,200	
Finance and IT support	46,000		47,000	
		165,397		193,752
		645,485	5=	672,810
nterest receivable	,		:	
Bank interest receivable		7,319		7,581

MANAGEMENT BALANCE SHEET 31 MARCH 2016

	2016		2015	
	£	£	£	£
Current assets				
Trade debtors	500,781		458,000	
Prepayments and accrued income	33,775		49,603	
Cash at bank and in hand	944,596	=	913,753	_
	1,479,152	_	1,421,356	⇒ <u>≅</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year				
Trade creditors	16,071		10,548	
VAT liability	84,180		<i>85,551</i>	
Deferred income	355,295		<i>375,487</i>	
Accruals	51,286	_	35,508	_
	506,832		507,094	_
Net current assets		972,321		914,262
Total assets less current liabilities		972,321		914,262
Net assets excluding pension liability		972,321		914,262
Defined benefit pension scheme liability		(2,270,000)		(2,580,000)
Net liabilities including pension liability		(1,297,679)		(1,665,738)
Capital and reserves				
ncome and expenditure account:				
General fund		972,321		914,262
Pension liability		(2,270,000)		(2,580,000)
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		(1,297,679)		(1,665,738)