Company Number: 2788160

Charity Registration Number: 1017372

ROAD HAULAGE AND DISTRIBUTION TRAINING COUNCIL (A Company Limited by Guarantee)

Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2006

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Legal and Administration information

for the year ended 31st March 2006

Company Number:

2788160

Charity Registration Number:

1017372

Chief Executive Officer and Company Secretary:

Mr J Falkner

Trustees:

Mr R D King Mr R D Syers Mr R K Turner

Registered Office:

Roadway House 35 Monument Hill Weybridge Surrey KT13 8RN

Auditors:

Keens Shay Keens
- Milton Keynes Sovereign Court
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Bankers:

Barclays Bank Plc

Investment Managers:

Barclays Personal Investment Management Services



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Trustees' Report

for the year ended 31st March 2006

The trustees, who are also the directors of the company for the purpose of the Companies Acts, submit their report together with the audited financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2006.

Trustees' Statement

Charity and 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 charity and of the surplus for that period. In preparing these financial statements the trustees are required to:

Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

Make judgments 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 financial statements;

Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the 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 Charity and to enable them to ensure the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985,

They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Structure, governance and management

Road Haulage and Distribution Training Council is a company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 9 February 1993, and a registered charity, governed by its memorandum and articles of association.

Trustees

A full list of the trustees who served during the year is shown in the legal information.

The trustees are appointed by each of the company's members, and other designated organisations, within the numbers specified in the Articles of Association.

Risk Policy

In its current situation, the Council no longer considers it necessary to implement a formal risk management process to assess business risks and implement risk management strategies.

Objective and activities

The objects of the Charity are to provide, advance and assist in the training in Great Britain of persons employed or intending to be employed in the road freight and distribution industry.



Auditors' Report to the Members

on the Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2006

Achievements and Performance

The surplus for the year amounted to £85,235.

Financial Review

Reserves Policy

It has been the Council's policy generally to maintain reserves at a level of at least one year of operating costs and to maximise benefits from those reserves.

Investment Policy and Performance

In accordance with the trust deed, the trustees have the power to invest in such stocks, shares, investments and property in the UK as they see fit. The Trustees engaged Barclays Plc as investment managers. The policy is to adopt a medium risk investment strategy based on maximising income and maintaining the value of funds held.

Plans for future periods

As mentioned in last year's Trustees Report, the company's then on-going activities and commitments, together with the staff and fixed assets, were transferred with effect from 1 October 2003 to 'Skills for Logistics', a separate charitable company limited by guarantee which was subsequently licensed as the Sector Skills Council for the Freight Logistics' sector of UK.

Since that date, RHDTC has provided long term loan finance to support the initial operations of the new company, but has otherwise remained dormant. However, proposals are now being considered under which the company would apply some of its funds to assist in the financing of initiatives to be carried out in schools by Skills for Logistics, aimed at improving the image of freight logistics as a career for school-leavers.

Cashflow Statement

In the opinion of the trustees as the directors, the company qualifies as a small company and as such no cashflow statement has been prepared.

Auditors

The Auditors, Keens Shay Keens, Milton Keynes, Chartered Accountants, have indicated that they are willing to be reappointed at the forthcoming Annual General Meeting.

By Order of the Board:

Roger King

. 14 December 2006



Independent Auditors' Report to the Members

on the Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2006

We have audited the financial statements of Road Haulage and Distribution Training Council for the year ended 31 March 2006 set out on pages 4 to 11 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, Summary Income and Expenditure Account, the Balance Sheet, and related notes.

This auditor's report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume any responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and auditors

The trustees' (who are also directors of Road Haulage and Distribution Training Council for the purposes of company law) responsibilities for preparing the Trustees' Annual report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) are set out in the Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland).

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the Trustees' Annual Report is not consistent with the the financial statements, if the company has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding trustees' remuneration and transactions with the charity is not disclosed.

We read other information contained in the Trustees' Annual Report, and consider whether it is consistent with the audited financial statements. We consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements. Our responsibilities do not extend to any other information.

Basis of Audit Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland) issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes an independent examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the trustees in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

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

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements:-

- give a true and fair view, in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31 March 2006 and of its incoming resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985; and
- the information given in the Trustees' Report is consistent with the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2006.

Keens Shay Keens
- Milton Keynes -

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Chartered Accountants and Registered Auditors

Sovereign Court 230 Upper 5th Street Central Milton Keynes MK9 2HR

KEENS SHAY KEENS

Statement of Financial Activities (including Income and Expenditure Account) for the year ended 31st March 2006

		Total	Total
		2006	2005
		£	£
Incoming Resources	Note		
Incoming resources from generated	funds		
Investment income	2	16,683	23,709
Other incoming resources	3	-	62,347
Total incoming resources		16,683	86,056
Resources expended Costs of generating funds Investment management costs		2,354	2,402
Governance costs		6,921	3,942
Total resources expended	4	9,275	6,344
Net incoming resources	5	7,408	79,712
Gains on investment assets		77,827	29,700
Net movement in funds		85,235	109,412
Total funds brought forward		786,241	676,829
Total funds carried forward		871,476	786,241

The main activity of the charity ceased on 30 September 2003.

All gains and losses recognised in the year are included above. The surplus for the year for Companies Act purposes comprises the net incoming resources for the year plus realised gains on investments and was £85,235 (2005: surplus £109,412).

The notes on pages 6 to 11 form part of these financial statements.



Balance Sheet as at 31st March 2006

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	Notes	2006	2006	2005	2005
		£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets					
Tangible fixed assets			-		-
Investments	7		427,143		351,670
			427,143		351,670
Current Assets			127,113		331,070
Debtors due within one year	8	_		1,701	
Debtors due after one year	8	-		93,335	
Cash at bank and in hand		449,914		342,743	
	_	449,914		437,779	
Creditors					
Amounts falling due within one year	9 _	(5,581)		(3,208)	
Net Current Assets			444,332		434,571
Total Net Assets		- =	871,476		786,241
Income Reserves Unrestricted	10		871,476		786,641
Designated	11		0/1,4/U -		760,041
Total Reserves		- =	871,476		786,641

These accounts are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small entities.

The accounts on pages 4 to 11 were approved by the Board on 14 December 2006 and were signed on its behalf by:

Roger King Trustee

Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2006

1. Principal Accounting Policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, with the exception of investments which are included at market value. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the "Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP), Accounting and Reporting by Charities" published in March 2005 and applicable accounting standards

Fund accounting

General funds are unrestricted funds which are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objectives of the charity and which have not been designated for other purposes.

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the trustees for particular purposes. The aim and use of each designated fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Resources expended

All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated on a basis consistent with use of resources.

Support costs are those costs incurred directly in support of expenditure on the objects of the charity and include project management carried out on the premises.

Governance costs are those incurred in connection with the administration of the charity and compliance with constitutional and statutory requirements.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

All tangible fixed assets are capitalised at cost.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost over their expected useful economic lives as follows:

Motor vehicles

25% reducing balance

Furniture and equipment

25% straight line

Investments

Investments are stated at market value at the balance sheet date. The SOFA includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluations and disposals throughout the year.

Contribution to Pension Funds

The pension costs charged against profits represent the amount of the contribution payable to the scheme in respect of the accounting period.



Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2006

Leased Assets

2. Investment income

Assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts are capitalised in the Balance Sheet and depreciated over their expected useful lives. The interest element of leasing payments represents a constant proportion of the capital balance outstanding and is charged to the SOFA over the period of the lease.

All other leases are regarded as operating leases and the payments made under them are charged to the SOFA on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

			2006	2005	
			£	£	
Bank interest received			13,263	8,853	
Loan interest received			3,420	5,907	
Dividends received on fixed asset investments			-	7,671	
Interest received on fixed asset investments			-	1,278	
			16,683	23,709	
2. Other incoming resources					
3. Other incoming resources			2006	2005	
			£	£	
RTITB Services Limited (see note 17)			-	62,347	
1				62,347	
4. Total outgoing resources					
	Direct	Support	Governance	Total	Total
	Costs	Costs	Costs		
	2006	2006	2006	2006	2005
	£	£	£	£	£
Potfolio Management expenditure	-	2,354	-	2,354	_
Staff costs & expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Premises and office costs	-	-	1,701	1,701	2,358
Travelling and motor expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Audit fees	-	-	508	508	-
Accountancy and professional fees	-	-	4,700	4,700	3,942
Depreciation	-	-	-	-	-
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous	-	-	12	12	44
-	0	2,354	6,921	9,275	6,344

Included within premises and office costs is an amount of £1,701 (2005: £1,890) in respect of indemnity insurance.



Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2006

. Net incoming (outgoing) resources for the year		
his is stated after charging		
	2006	2005
	£	£
Amounts payable to the auditors in respect of audit services	-	-
Amounts payable to the auditors in respect of non-audit services	-	-
Depreciation - owned assets	•	-
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The trustees neither received nor waived emoluments during the year (2005: nil yere reimbursed to any trustee (2005: nil).). No travel and sub	sistence expe
. Staff costs and numbers		
staff costs were as follows:		
	2006	2005
	£	£
Wages and salaries (including social security costs)	-	-
Other pension costs	-	=
	-	
The average monthly number of employees during the year were categorised as	follows:	2005
	2000	2003
Administration	-	-
Cechnical and Management	-	-
		
	-	-
No employee received emoluments exceeding £60,000 for the year (2005 : Non	e).	
All divertors are non executive and none of them has received some service in	the year All omeles	loge
All directors are non-executive and none of them has received remuneration in were transferred under TUPE to Skills for Logistics on 1st October 2003.	one year. All employ	1003
. Investments	2006	2005
• *************************************	£	£
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Market value as at 1st April 2005	351,670	314,962
Additions	-	402,900
Disposals	- 77 927	(388,611)
Net investment gain (including movement in investment cash balances) nvestment Management Charge	77,827 (2,354)	22,419
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farket value at 31st March 2006	427,143	351,670

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Historical cost at 31st March 2006



358,060

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Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2006

Listed investments are represented by:	2006	2005
	£	£
Managed funds - UK	427,143	351,682
	427,143	314,962
During February 2005 all existing investments were sold and the UK Growth Portfolio.	he proceeds reinvested in the Barclay.	S
8. Debtors	2006	2005
Short term:	£	£
Prepayments	-	1,701
		1,701
Long term: Loan to Skills for Logistics	-	93,335

9. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	2006 £	2005 £
Accruals and deferred income	5,581	3,208
10. Unrestricted Funds	2006 £	2005 £
Balance at beginning of year	786,241	676,829
Net movement of funds Transfer from/(to) designated funds	85,235 -	109,412
Balance at end of year	871,476	786,241



ROAD HAULAGE AND DISTRIBUTION TRAINING COUNCIL

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Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2006

11. Designated Funds		
	2006	2005
	£	£
Balance at beginning of year	-	-
Transfer (to)/from unrestricted funds	-	-
Balance at end of year		

Unrestricted funds were designated to cover any possibility of a significant drop in project income, but such designation is no longer considered necessary as the company is not currently trading.

12. Capital Commitments

There were no capital commitments as at 31st March 2006.

13. Commitments under operating leases

At 31st March 2006, there were annual commitments under operating leases as set out below:

	2006 £	2005 £
Land and buildings - less than 1 year Land and buildings - within 2 to 5 years	-	6,057 -
		6,057

14. Contingent Liabilities

There were no contingent liabilities as at 31st March 2006.



Notes forming part of the financial statements for the year ended 31st March 2006

15. Guarantees

The liability of each member is limited.

Every member of the company undertakes to contribute £1 to the assets of the company, in the event of it being wound up while he is a member, or within one year after he ceases to be a member.

As at 31st March 2006, there were 3 Members (2005: 3) of the Company. These were the Road Haulage Association, the Freight Transport Association and the British Association of Removers.

16. Pensions - Defined Benefit Scheme and post balance sheet event

The company operates a defined benefit pension scheme for the benefit of the employees. The assets of the scheme are part of the ITB Pension Funds Open Fund, and are administered by its trustees in a fund independent from those of the company. However, by 1st April 2005 all active members of the scheme had transferred into a section of the same scheme established by Skills for Logistics. In both of the years ended 31st March 2004 and 2005, due to the central ITB Pension Fund having accumulated excess actuarial reserves, employer contributions to the Scheme were met from those reserves.

The most recent actuarial valuation of the scheme was carried out as at 31st March 2004, and concluded that the overall scheme was in surplus, albeit less than at the previous valuation three years earlier. The company's section of the scheme retained an estimated surplus of £126,383. Conversely, having been established as a new section only six months before this latest valuation, an estimated deficit of £38,154 was attributed to the Skills for Logistics section. With the approval of the trustess of both companies, and of the scheme itself, an agreement is being entered into which will result in Skills for Logistics assuming RHDTC residual liabilities to the scheme in return for inheriting RHDTC's share of the overall scheme surplus.

Subsequent to the year end, RHDTC terminated its participation in the ITB Pension Funds, by making a full and final settlement of £156,100.

17. Unsecured debtor

The Council had a five year contract (commencing 1st April 1998) with RTITB Services Limited ("RTITB") whereby RTITB provided an annual grant of £160,000 to assist the Council in setting, monitoring and maintaining occupational standards within the road transport industry.

On 22nd April 1998 RTITB Services Limited was placed in administration by the High Court, and contractual payments to the Council were suspended.

The Council was listed among the unsecured creditors of RTITB Services Limited (in administration). Payments representing 95.65p in the pound had been received to 31st March 2005, but no further payments are anticipated.

18. Related parties

Other than referred to in notes 8 and 16, and as described in the Trustees Report, there are no further related party transactions to be disclosed.

