# **Payment Practices Reporting**

#### 1.3.2022 to 31.08.2022



Uffculme Academy Trust met the criteria to report on its payment practices for the first time at the end of the 2020/21 financial year. The payment policies and performance regulations 2017 require companies over a specified size to report on their payment practices, policies and performance on a half-yearly basis.

## **Payment Statistics**

Average time taken to pay invoices	9 days
Invoices paid:	
within 30 days:	97%
in 31 to 60 days:	3%
in 61 days or more:	1%
Invoices due but not paid within agreed terms:	3%

### **Payment Terms**

- Standard payment period for qualifying contracts 30 days
- Standard payment terms 30 days
- Were there any changes to the standard payment terms in the reporting period No
- Maximum contractual payment period agreed 30 days
- Any other information about payment terms N/A

#### **Dispute Resolution Process**

The Trust is committed to dealing with its suppliers in an open, honest and professional manner whilst ensuring best value for the Trust. We seek to resolve queries as quickly as possible to everyone's satisfaction prior to payment being made. In the event that a dispute cannot be resolved by Business Managers or the Finance Team it would escalate in the first instance to the Director of Finance and Resources.

### **Other Payment Information**

- Has this business signed up to a code of conduct or standards on payment practices No
- Does this business offer e-invoicing in relation to qualifying contracts No
- Does this business offer supply chain finance No
- Under its payment practices and policies, can this business deduct sums from payments under qualifying contracts as a charge for remaining on a supplier list No
- During the reporting period, did the business deduct sums from payments as a charge for remaining on a supplier list No

This report was approved by the Trust's Accounting Officer, Lorraine Heath OBE.