COLWICH PLAYGROUP

England & Wales · Charity number 1012984

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	1992-07-17
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	Colwich Playgroup Colwich Community Centre Main Road Colwich Stafford ST17 0XD
Phone	01889 883400
Email	colwichplaygroup@hotmail.co.uk
Website	www.colwichplaygroup.co.uk

Activities

Objects: TO ENHANCE THE DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION OF CHILDREN PRIMARILY UNDER STATUTORY SCHOOL AGE.

Activities: COMMUNITY PLAYGROUP, OPEN TO PRE-SCHOOL CHILDREN AGED 2-4, OPEN TO ALL FAMILIES INCLUDING THOSE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS. ABLE TO ACCEPT 24 CHILDREN PER SESSION, 9.00-3.15 TERM TIME.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities

Geography

- Staffordshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-07-31	£53,738	£59,477	-	-
2024-07-31	£55,612	£57,466	-	-
2023-07-31	£53,666	£56,270	-	-
2022-07-31	£46,895	£53,739	-	-
2021-07-31	£72,778	£72,683	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
EMMA GREWA	Chair	2017-12-21
AARON STEADMANS		2014-11-12

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	01	08	2024	**To**	31	07	2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	COLWICH PLAYGROUP
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number (if any)	1012984
Charity's principal address	C/O COLWICH COMMUNITY HALL, MAIN ROAD,
	COLWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE
Postcode	**ST17 0XD**

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
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2	GARETH LEWIS	TREASURER	30/07/08 TO q31/07/25	" "
3	AARON STEADMANS	VICE-CHAIR		" "
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
n/a	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
n/a		

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

n/a

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Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)	To care for and educate pre-school children using the government EYFS statutory framework for early years to achieve the early learning goals. Community playgroup open to all children and their families, offering flexible and affordable childcare to the local community.

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Section D Achievements and performance

Section D	Achievements and performance
Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	The period from August 2024 to July 2025 progressed in line with expectations, with no significant H&S issues to report and Ofsted grading remains good. We are grateful to the Colwich Community Hall Association, our landlords, for their continued support. As stewards of the community centre, they maintain the space for local user groups and uphold their mission of ‘run by the community, for the community.’ Their financial assistance, where possible, has been invaluable, and we sincerely thank them. A heartfelt thank you also goes to parents for their ongoing support in our termly events—such as raffles, Christmas coasters, and other fundraising efforts. These contributions directly aid the reinvestment in resources and equipment for the preschool. Our primary concern remains government funding rates. Whist these rates have seen a marginal increase this year, they continue to lag behind overall statutory living wage rises. Inflation also continued to increased over the year, compounding the challenge with rising insurance and other operational costs. As a result, government funding (our main source of income) is still failing to keep pace with rising costs, which remains a pressing issue impacting our financial performance in the reporting period.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	The charity recognises the need for a cash surplus to meet its costs during the traditionally quieter and loss making winter months. As at 31/07/2025 the Charity continues to hold sufficient funds within the Capital Account to operate including the Statutory Redundancy Reserve as per our policy.
Details of any funds materially in deficit	As mentioned above, Government funding rates continue lag statutory liming wage and tax increases.

Further financial review details (Optional information)

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Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	GARETH LEWIS	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	TREASURER	
Date	31/07/2025	

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES	Charity Name	No (if any)	
	COLWICH PLAYGROUP	1012984	CC16a

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01/08/2024		31/07/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
FEES	51 839	-	-	51 839	53 888
DONATIONS, FUNDRAISING AND GRANTS	206	-	-	206	-
INTEREST AND BANK CHARGES	1 693	-	-	1 693	1 724
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
***Sub total** (Gross income for AR)*	53 738	-	-	53 738	55 612
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	53 738	-	-	53 738	55 612
A3 Payments					
WAGES AND HOLIDAY PAY	44 811	-	-	44 811	44 150
RENT	2 820	-	-	2 820	2 820
INSURANCE	1 288	-	-	1 288	861
TELEPHONE & INTERNET	696	-	-	696	634
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	-	-	-	-	-
TRAINING	-	-	-	-	361
STATIONERY AND MATERIALS	-	-	-	-	-
TOYS AND EQUIPMENT	-	-	-	-	-
SUNDRY ITEMS	2 028	-	-	2 028	2 029
FOOD, DRINKS & HOUSEKEEPING	3 642	-	-	3 642	3 285
TAX AND NI	4 193	-	-	4 193	3 326
GIFTS		-	-	-	-
FORWARD EXPENDITURE		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
Sub total	59 477	-	-	59 477	57 466
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	59 477	-	-	59 477	57 466
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 5 739	-	-	- 5 739	- 1 854
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	50 900	-	-	50 900	52 753
Cash funds this year end	45 160	-	-	45 160	50 899

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	PETTY CASH	140	-	-
	CURRENT ACCOUNT	2 422		-
	CAPITAL ACCOUNT	42 598	-	-
	Total cash funds	45 160	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use				
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	REDUNDANCY ACCRUAL	FROM CAPITAL ACCOUNT		
	HOLIDAY PAY ACCRUAL AUGUST	FROM CAPITAL ACCOUNT		
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	GRL	GARETH LEWIS	01/09/2025

CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A **Independent Examiner's Report**

Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name COLWICH PLAYGROUP		
On accounts for the year ended	31/07/2025	**Charity no (if any)**	1012984
Set out on pages	(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/07/2023.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:		**Date:**	3.9.2025
Name:	Mandy Brazier		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	Association of Accounting Technicians BSC Professional Management		
Address:	4 Vardon Close Kingston Hill Stafford ST16 3YW		

Section B	Disclosure
	Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).
Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.	

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day 01	Month 08	Year 2023		Day 31	Month 07	Year 2024

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	COLWICH PLAYGROUP
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number (if any)	1012984
Charity's principal address	C/O COLWICH COMMUNITY HALL, MAIN ROAD,
	COLWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE
Postcode	**ST17 0XD**

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	EMMA GREWAL	CHAIRPERSON	21/12/17 TO PRESENT	PARENTS & COMMITTEE
2	GARETH LEWIS	TREASURER	01/09/08 TO PRESENT	" "
3	AARON STEADMANS	VICE-CHAIR	12/11/15 TO PRESENT	" "
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
n/a	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
n/a		

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

n/a

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	PLA CONSTITUTION
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Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

n/a

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	To enhance the development and education of children, primarily under statutory school age by encouraging parents to take responsibility for and to be involved with the activities of the group. To offer opportunities for all children, whatever their race, culture, religion, means or ability.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)	To care for and educate pre-school children using the government EYFS statutory framework for early years to achieve the early learning goals. Community playgroup open to all children and their families, offering flexible and affordable childcare to the local community.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about: • policy on grantmaking; • policy programme related investment; • contribution made by volunteers.	The preschool is grateful for the continued support of its trustees in continuing its long term operation. We thank parents and families (past and present) for their continued support with our fundraising efforts and for donating their outgrown toys and equipment for use by the group.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The period from August 2023 to July 2024 progressed in line with planned operations, with no significant issues to report. Ofsted grading remains good.

While session numbers were lower compared to pre-pandemic levels, they steadily improved throughout the year. Our rigorous post-COVID infection controls remained in place, ensuring there were no closures due to illness.

We are grateful to the Colwich Community Hall Association, our landlords, for their continued support. As stewards of the community centre, they maintain the space for local user groups and uphold their mission of ‘run by the community, for the community.’ Their financial assistance, where possible, has been invaluable, and we sincerely thank them.

A heartfelt thank you also goes to parents for their ongoing support in our termly events—such as raffles, Christmas coasters, and other fundraising efforts. These contributions directly aid the reinvestment in resources and equipment for the preschool.

Our primary long-term concern remains government funding rates. While these rates have seen only marginal annual increases, they continue to lag behind statutory living wage rises. Inflation also increased substantially over the year, compounding the challenge. As a result, government funding—our main source of income—is failing to keep pace with rising wage costs, which remains a pressing issue moving forward.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	The charity recognises the need for a cash surplus to meet its costs during the traditionally quieter and loss making winter months and the Charity continues to hold sufficient funds to operate for the foreseeable future. A provision for redundancy of staff is written in as a restricted reserve within the bank balances as is any other unspent ringfenced funding.
Details of any funds materially in deficit	

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about: • the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising); • how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity; • investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.	The treasurer reminds the committee of the importance of maximising any fundraising opportunities, as the opportunity for local authority and business funding have reduced within the current economic climate. We continue to seek new fundraising activities and grants to replenish our reserves from the COVID pandemic years. A reserve is being maintained for Statutory Redundancy Pay for staff.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	G R Lewis	
Full name(s)	GARETH LEWIS	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	TREASURER	
Date	31/05/25	

CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

arity Name	No (if any)
LWICH PLAYGROUP	1012984

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	8/1/2023		7/31/2024

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
FEES DONATIONS, FUNDRAISING AND	53,888	-	-	53,888	52,582
GRANTS	-	-	-	-	68
INTEREST AND BANK CHARGES	1,724	-	-	1,724	1,016
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total*(Gross income for AR)*	55,612	-	-	55,612	53,666
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	55,612	-	-	55,612	53,666
A3 Payments					
WAGES AND HOLIDAY PAY	44,150	-	-	44,150	42,537
RENT	2,820	-	-	2,820	4,230
INSURANCE	861	-	-	861	822
TELEPHONE & INTERNET	634	-	-	634	555
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	-	-	-	-	13
TRAINING	361	-	-	361	188
STATIONERY AND MATERIALS	-	-	-	-	37
TOYS AND EQUIPMENT	-	-	-	-	1,054
SUNDRY ITEMS	2,029	-	-	2,029	208
FOOD, DRINKS & HOUSEKEEPING	3,285	-	-	3,285	3,962
TAX AND NI	3,326	-	-	3,326	2,655
GIFTS		-	-	-	9
FORWARD EXPENDITURE		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
Sub total	57,466	-	-	57,466	56,270
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	57,466	-	-	57,466	56,270
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 1,853	-	-	- 1,853	- 2,604
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	52,753	-	-	52,753	55,356
Cash funds this year end	50,899	-	-	50,899	52,752

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

B1 Cash funds

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	PETTY CASH	45	-	-
	CURRENT ACCOUNT	4,948		-
	CAPITAL ACCOUNT	45,905	-	-
	Total cash funds	**50,899**	**-**	**-**
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
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		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
REDUNDANCY ACCRUAL 2023	FROM CAPITAL ACCOUNT		
HOLIDAY PAY ACCRUAL AUGUST 2024	FROM CAPITAL ACCOUNT		
		-	
		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	GARETH LEWIS	5/31/2024

CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

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** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:		**Date:**	05/06/2025
Name:	Mandy Brazier		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	Association of Accounting Technicians BA Professional Management		
Address:	4 Vardon Close Stafford ST16 3YW		

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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

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Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section D Achievements and performance

Section D	Achievements and performance
Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	The year August 22 to July 23 was the first full year post Covid 19 pandemic, with many health and safety measures returning to normal. Session numbers were still reduced compared to pre-pandemic, but continue to re-build throughout the year and our rigorous and robust infection controls were kept in place, ensuring no closures due to illness. Colwich Community Hall Association (our landlords) remain extremely supportive of our activities. They maintain the community centre in which we operate for use by community user groups, 'run by the community, for the community'. They continue to provide us with financial support where possible. Thank you to the ongoing support of parents in our termly events, such as raffles, Christmas coasters, raffles and other events, which all help re-investment in resource and equipment for the preschool. Our main long-term issues continue in relation to government funding rates, which are still only being increased marginally year on year, whereas statutory living wage rises and inflation have substantially increased in the year. This remains a concern going forwards, as government funding is not keeping pace with statutory wage costs but accounts for the majority of the playgroup's income.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	The charity recognises the need for a cash surplus to meet its costs during the traditionally quieter and loss making winter months and the Charity continues to hold sufficient funds to operate for the foreseeable future. A provision for redundancy of staff is written in as a restricted reserve within the bank balances as is any other unspent ringfenced funding.
Details of any funds materially in deficit	

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about: • the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising); • how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity; • investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.	The treasurer reminds the committee of the importance of maximising any fundraising opportunities, as the opportunity for local authority and business funding have reduced within the current economic climate. We continue to seek new fundraising activities and grants to replenish our reserves from the COVID pandemic years. A reserve is being maintained for Statutory Redundancy Pay for staff.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	GARETH LEWIS	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	TREASURER	
Date	31/05/24	

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name	No (if any)
COLWICH PLAYGROUP	1012984

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	8/1/2022		7/31/2023

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
FEES	52,582	-	-	52,582	45,291
DONATIONS, FUNDRAISING AND GRANTS	68	-	-	68	1,720
INTEREST AND BANK CHARGES	1,016	-	-	1,016	- 116
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total *(Gross income for AR)*	53,666	-	-	53,666	46,895
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	53,666	-	-	53,666	46,895
A3 Payments					
WAGES AND HOLIDAY PAY	42,537	-	-	42,537	43,331
RENT	4,230	-	-	4,230	-
INSURANCE	822	-	-	822	798
TELEPHONE & INTERNET	555	-	-	555	514
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	13	-	-	13	324
TRAINING	188	-	-	188	207
STATIONERY AND MATERIALS	37	-	-	37	676
TOYS AND EQUIPMENT	1,054	-	-	1,054	2,663
SUNDRY ITEMS	208	-	-	208	969
FOOD, DRINKS & HOUSEKEEPING	3,962	-	-	3,962	1,825
TAX AND NI	2,655	-	-	2,655	2,177
GIFTS	9	-	-	9	255
FORWARD EXPENDITURE		-	-	-	
INCREASE IN REDUNDANCY PROVISION		-	-	-	
Sub total	56,270	-	-	56,270	53,739
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	56,270	-	-	56,270	53,739
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 2,604	-	-	- 2,604	- 6,844
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	55,356	-	-	55,356	62,200
Cash funds this year end	52,752	-	-	52,752	55,356

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

B1 Cash funds

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	PETTY CASH	194	-	-
	CURRENT ACCOUNT	5,613		-
	CAPITAL ACCOUNT	49,575	-	-
	Total cash funds	55,382	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK

B2 Other monetary assets

Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-
	-	-	-

B3 Investment assets

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-
		-	-

B5 Liabilities

Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
REDUNDANCY ACCRUAL TO 2022	FROM CAPITAL ACCOUNT	- 14,393	
HOLIDAY PAY ACCRUAL AUG 23	FROM CAPITAL ACCOUNT	- 4,994	
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		-	
		-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	GARETH LEWIS	5/31/2024

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A	**Independent Examiner's Report**
Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name COLWICH PLAYGROUP
On accounts for the year ended	31/07/2023 — **Charity no (if any)** 1012984
Set out on pages	(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)
Responsibilities and basis of report	I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/07/2023. As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act"). I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.
Independent examiner's statement	I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (~~other than that disclosed below~~ *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect: • accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or • the accounts do not accord with the accounting records I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached. * *Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*
Signed:	[signature] — **Date:** 12-7-24.
Name:	AMANDA BRAZIER
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	ASSOCIATION OF ACCOUNTING TECHNICIAN. CHARTERED PROFESSIONAL MANAGEMENT
Address:	4 VARDON CLOSE STAFFORD ST16 3YW

Section B	**Disclosure**
	Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).
Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.	

COLWICH PLAYGROUP

England & Wales - Charity number 1012984

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
From	Day 01	Month 08	Year 2021	To	Day 31	Month 07	Year 2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	COLWICH PLAYGROUP
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number (if any)	1012984
Charity's principal address	C/O COLWICH COMMUNITY HALL, MAIN ROAD,
	COLWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE
Postcode	**ST17 0XD**

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	EMMA GREWAL	CHAIRPERSON	21/12/17 TO PRESENT	PARENTS & COMMITTEE
2	GARETH LEWIS	TREASURER	SEPT 2008 TO PRESENT	" "
3	AARON STEADMANS	VICE-CHAIR	12/11/15 TO PRESENT	" "
4	RACHEL PIPER	COMMITTEE SECRETARY	01/06/19 TO 21/02/22	" "
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	PLA CONSTITUTION
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	REGISTERED CHARITY
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	BY COMMITTEE AND PARENTS

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	To enhance the development and education of children, primarily under statutory school age by encouraging parents to take responsibility for and to be involved with the activities of the group. To offer opportunities for all children, whatever their race, culture, religion, means or ability.
Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)	To care for and educate pre-school children using the government EYFS statutory framework for early years to achieve the early learning goals. Community playgroup open to all children and their families, offering flexible and affordable childcare to the local community.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about: • policy on grantmaking; • policy programme related investment; • contribution made by volunteers.	The preschool is grateful for the ongoing support of its trustees in continuing its long term operation, particularly in relation to its fundraising efforts. We thank parents and families (past and present) for their continued support with our fundraising efforts and for donating their outgrown toys and equipment for use by the group. The trustees have all agreed to continue to support the preschool through the pandemic.

Section D Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The year August 21 to July 22 was still impacted by the effects of the Covid 19 pandemic, with many health and safety measures and isolation still being in place. Families were able to enjoy their first gathering for the nativity presentation in December 21, after a very long period without social events being allowed. This was an enjoyable and emotional experience for everyone as we re-grouped for the first time. Session numbers were still reduced, both due to reduced headcount, families still wary of starting preschool during the pandemic, and some absences. Rigorous and robust infection controls were kept in place, ensuring minimal closure due to illness.

Colwich Community Hall Association (our landlords) remain extremely supportive of our activities. They maintain the community centre in which we operate for use by community user groups, ‘run by the community, for the community’. They review our rent against their overall position annually and provide us with financial support where possible. The local council offered funding for community buildings, which enable us to receive a period of free rent. The playgroup also used the government furlough scheme to retain staff during quieter periods.

The playgroup has been successful in a further funding applications this year, notably

Coop Community grant for indoor and outdoor resources, as part of their local community scheme, £512.11 received Nov 21.

Food For Life Get Togethers Grant, £130 for seeds, pots and compost to improve the outdoor environment and help children to learn about growing plants for food with their community. This was a combined initiative to share resources with the Before & After School and Holiday Club children at the provision located in the upper hall, to benefit their members also.

Thank you to the ongoing support of parents in our termly events, such as raffles, Christmas coasters and other events, which all help re-investment in resource and equipment for the preschool. Also for a family Secret Santa donation from wider family members, to support their child’s preschool.

The main issue is with funding rates, which are still only being increased marginally year on year, whereas statutory wage rises are being substantially increased year on year. This remains a concern going forwards, as funding is not keeping pace with wage costs but accounts for the majority of the playgroup’s income.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	The charity recognises the need for a cash surplus to meet its costs during the traditionally quieter and loss making winter months, and to support the general cycle of a loss making low numbers year every 3-5 years. Provision for redundancy of staff is written in as a restricted amount within the bank balances as is any ringfenced funding.
Details of any funds materially in deficit	

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about: • the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising); • how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity; • investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.	The treasurer reminds the committee of the importance of maximising any fundraising opportunities, as the opportunity for local authority and business funding have reduced within the current economic climate. We consider the need to replenish the reserves over the trading year. Village businesses, the Colwich Community Association and One Stop (through our Vice Chair) have been helpful in providing prizes for our fundraising activities and we value these partnerships within the local community.
	A reserve is being maintained for Statutory Redundancy Pay for staff.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	GARETH LEWIS	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	TREASURER	
Date	14/05/23	

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name	No (if any)
COLWICH PLAYGROUP	1012984

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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01/08/2021		31/07/2022

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
FEES	45,291	-	-	45,291	53,377
DONATIONS, FUNDRAISING AND GRANTS	1,720	-	-	1,720	19,496
INTEREST AND BANK CHARGES	- 116	-	-	- 116	- 95
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
***Sub total** (Gross income for AR)*	46,895	-	-	46,895	72,778
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	46,895	-	-	46,895	72,778
A3 Payments					
WAGES AND HOLIDAY PAY	43,331	-	-	43,331	52,593
RENT	-	-	-	-	-
INSURANCE	798	-	-	798	798
TELEPHONE & INTERNET	514	-	-	514	435
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	324	-	-	324	18
TRAINING	207	-	-	207	402
STATIONERY AND MATERIALS	676	-	-	676	618
TOYS AND EQUIPMENT	2,663	-	-	2,663	5,669
SUNDRY ITEMS	969	-	-	969	891
FOOD, DRINKS & HOUSEKEEPING	1,825	-	-	1,825	2,717
TAX AND NI	2,177	-	-	2,177	770
GIFTS	255	-	-	255	140
FORWARD EXPENDITURE		-	-	-	6,734
INCREASE IN REDUNDANCY PROVISION		-	-	-	898
Sub total	53,739	-	-	53,739	72,683
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	53,739	-	-	53,739	72,683
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 6,844	-	-	- 6,844	95
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	62,200	-	-	62,200	-
Cash funds this year end	55,356	-	-	55,356	95

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	PETTY CASH	169	-	-
	CURRENT ACCOUNT	5,612		-
	CAPITAL ACCOUNT	49,575	-	-
	Total cash funds	55,356	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use				
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	REDUNDANCY ACCRUAL TO 2022	FROM CAPITAL ACCOUNT	- 11,451	
	HOLIDAY PAY ACCRUAL AUG 22	FROM CURRENT ACCOUNT	- 3,502	
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			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		GARETH LEWIS	22/05/2023

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Charity Name COLWICH PLAYGROUP		
On accounts for the year ended	31/07/2022	Charity no (if any)	1012984
Set out on pages	(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/07/2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* *Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:	[signature]
Date:	25/5/23.
Name:	Mandy Brazier
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	Qualifications: Association of Accounting Technicians
Address:	4 Vardon Close Stafford ST16 3YW

Section B Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
From	01	08	2019	**To**	31	07	2020

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	COLWICH PLAYGROUP
Other names charity is known by	
Registered charity number (if any)	1012984
Charity's principal address	C/O COLWICH COMMUNITY HALL, MAIN ROAD,
	COLWICH, STAFFORDSHIRE
Postcode	**ST17 0XD**

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	EMMA GREWAL	CHAIRPERSON	21/12/17 TO PRESENT	PARENTS & COMMITTEE
2	GARETH LEWIS	TREASURER	SEPT 2008 TO PRESENT	" "
3	AARON STEADMANS	VICE-CHAIR	12/11/15 TO PRESENT	" "
4	RACHEL PIPER	COMMITTEE SECRETARY	01/06/19 TO PRESENT	" "
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	PLA CONSTITUTION
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	REGISTERED CHARITY
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	BY COMMITTEE AND PARENTS

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

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- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	To enhance the development and education of children, primarily under statutory school age by encouraging parents to take responsibility for and to be involved with the activities of the group. To offer opportunities for all children, whatever their race, culture, religion, means or ability.
Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)	To care for and educate pre-school children using the government EYFS statutory framework for early years to achieve the early learning goals. Community playgroup open to all children and their families, offering flexible and affordable childcare to the local community.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about: • policy on grantmaking; • policy programme related investment; • contribution made by volunteers.	The preschool is grateful for the ongoing support of its trustees in continuing its long term operation, particularly in relation to its fundraising efforts. We thank parents and families (past and present) for their continued support with our fundraising efforts and for donating their outgrown toys and equipment for use by the group. The trustees have all agreed to continue to support the preschool through the pandemic.

Section D	Achievements and performance
Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	In March 2020, the preschool closed temporarily as a result of a national & worldwide lockdown due to the spread of the Coronavirus pandemic, along with schools and further education establishments. Accordingly, the strategy for the remainder of that year and onwards was to survive and build on from the effects of the pandemic. Significant changes such as initial limits on group sizes, social distancing and increased hygiene and cleaning measures became the new norm for a period of time. Although restrictions on group sizes lifted, the increased hygiene measures continued throughout the year, ensuring robust infection controls. Colwich Community Hall Association (our landlords) remain extremely supportive of our activities. They maintain the community centre in which we operate for use by community user groups, 'run by the community, for the community'. They review our rent against their overall position annually and provide us with financial support where possible. They remain a very positive support to our group and our manager assists with the running tasks association with the building's operation. Support funding was received again this year. The playgroup has been successful in a number of funding applications this year, notably • National Lottery Funding for catch up resources, which included improving the reading area to give a quiet space, new board books, books to support PSED needs, additional staff time to support individual needs, creation of a home learning library and materials, Ipad, electronic light up mark making boards, phones, outdoor resources, tables, chairs and rugs. • Funding for essential costs from central government, distributed via Stafford Borough Council helped to fund insurance and other running costs. • A bid submitted under the Colwich Community Hall Association umbrella to Tesco Bags of Help was successful for revamping the outdoor bark area for use by the playgroup and the Before & After School provision and holiday club. Funding rates are still only being increased marginally year on year, whereas statutory wage rises are being substantially increased year on year. This remains a concern going forwards, as funding is not keeping pace with wage costs. Thank you to the ongoing support of One Stop through our Vice Chair, in providing prizes for our fundraising activities, and to our committee members and staff for helping with these.

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	The charity recognises the need for a cash surplus to meet its costs during the traditionally quieter and loss making winter months, and to support the general cycle of a loss making low numbers year every 3-5 years. Provision for redundancy of staff is written in as a restricted amount within the bank balances as is any ringfenced funding.
Details of any funds materially in deficit	

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about: • the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising); • how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity; • investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.	The treasurer reminds the committee of the importance of maximising any fundraising opportunities, as the opportunity for local authority and business funding have reduced within the current economic climate. We consider the need to replenish the reserves over the trading year. Village businesses, the Colwich Community Association and One Stop (through our Vice Chair) have been helpful in providing prizes for our fundraising activities and we value these partnerships within the local community. A reserve is being maintained for Statutory Redundancy Pay for staff.

Section F Other optional information

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	GARETH LEWIS	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	TREASURER	
Date	15/05/22	

CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name	No (if any)	
COLWICH PLAYGROUP	1012984	CC16a

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01/08/2020		31/07/2021

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
FEES	53,377	-	-	53,377	57,060
DONATIONS, FUNDRAISING AND GRANTS	19,496	-	-	19,496	8,391
INTEREST AND BANK CHARGES	- 95	-	-	- 95	- 93
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
***Sub total** (Gross income for AR)*	72,778	-	-	72,778	65,358
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	72,778	-	-	72,778	65,358
A3 Payments					
WAGES AND HOLIDAY PAY	52,593	-	-	52,593	49,813
RENT	-	-	-	-	3,290
INSURANCE	798	-	-	798	793
TELEPHONE & INTERNET	435	-	-	435	572
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	18	-	-	18	34
TRAINING	402	-	-	402	289
STATIONERY AND MATERIALS	618	-	-	618	767
TOYS AND EQUIPMENT	5,669	-	-	5,669	921
SUNDRY ITEMS	891	-	-	891	884
FOOD, DRINKS & HOUSEKEEPING	2,717	-	-	2,717	1,706
TAX AND NI	770	-	-	770	2,003
GIFTS	140	-	-	140	90
FORWARD EXPENDITURE		6,734	-	6,734	1,777
INCREASE IN REDUNDANCY PROVISION		898	-	898	2,419
Sub total	65,051	7,632	-	72,683	65,358
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	
	-	-	-	-	
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	65,051	7,632	-	72,683	65,358
Net of receipts/(payments)	7,727	- 7,632	-	95	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	54,473	-	-	54,473	-
Cash funds this year end	62,200	- 7,632	-	54,568	-

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	PETTY CASH	80	-	-
	CURRENT ACCOUNT	3,925	-	-
	CAPITAL ACCOUNT	58,195	- 7,632	-
	Total cash funds	62,200	- 7,632	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use				
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	REDUNDANCY ACCRUAL TO 2020	FROM CAPITAL ACCOUNT	- 15,359	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		GARETH LEWIS	15/05/2022

Independent examiner's statement

Colwich Playgroup Accounts 2020 - 2021

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or

2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or

3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Name: Mandy Brazier

Relevant professional qualification or membership of professional bodies (if any): Association of Accounting Technicians

Address: 4 Vardon Close, Stafford, ST16 3YW

Date: 29/05/2022