

MAIDENBOWER PRE-SCHOOL PLAYGROUP

Trustee's Annual Report for the Year ended 31 August 2023

The Trustees present their Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2023. The Accounts have been prepared in accordance with the Charity's Constitution, applicable law and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in March 2005 and the Charities Act 2011.

Structure, Governance and Management

Maidenbower Pre-School Playgroup was governed by its constitution adopted on 11 June 2009. It registered with the Charity Commission on 22 February 1993.

Trustees are appointed at the Annual General Meeting held in the year by way of a vote of members.

Objectives and Activities

The objectives of the charity are to enhance the development and education of children under statutory school age by encouraging parents to understand and provide for the needs of their children through community groups and by offering appropriate play, education and care facilities; encouraging the study needs of such children; and instigating, adhering to and furthering the aims and objects of the Pre-School Learning Alliance.

Achievements and Objectives

Maidenbower Pre-School Playgroup have worked hard to achieve their rating of Good from Ofsted. The Charity are still having fund raising events to ensure new equipment can be purchased for the children. Money was invested in the current year to modernise the equipment. The Pre-School continues to be a popular choice among local parents.

Financial Review

The surplus for the year amounted to £5157 (2022 deficit: £12209) as shown on the Statement of Financial Activity on page 4.

All the assets of the charity are used to carry out its objectives. The reserves carried forward represent the unrestricted reserves of the charity arising from past operating results. In the Trustees opinion the reserves held by the Charity are sufficient to meet its needs.

The Trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees' Report above

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees

E Herbe - Trustee

03 June 2024

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Statement of Financial Activity for the Year ended 31 August 2023

	2023 £	2022 £
RECEIPTS		
Fees from parents	22911	22498
WSCC Funding	150801	109420
Fund raising	2490	4321
Grants	0	0
Other	821	636
Investment income	71	3
	<u>177094</u>	<u>136878</u>
OTHER CHARITABLE PAYMENTS		
Wages	125687	100946
Rent	18353	18790
Training	2279	2332
Administration costs	2654	1974
Advertising	2622	685
Insurance	1335	1296
Fund raising costs	1741	1534
Equipment	13081	18116
Professional fees	1864	2080
Other	2321	1334
	<u>171937</u>	<u>149087</u>
NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) FOR YEAR	5157	(12209)
RESERVES BROUGHT FORWARD	32631	44839
RESERVES CARRIED FORWARD	<u>37788</u>	<u>32631</u>

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Independent examiner's report on the accounts on the accounts for the year ended
31 August 2023 set out on pages 4 to 5

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts; you consider that the audit requirement of section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the Act, whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of unusual items or disclosure in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act

have not been met ; or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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