

## Church Preen Pre-school Committee Chairs report for the AGM 13<sup>th</sup> September 2023

Welcome everyone, thank you for attending this AGM. It has been another fantastic year for the Pre-school with some great fundraising efforts including our successful coffee morning and the return of breakfast with the Easter bunny. Both events raised a good amount of money and were well received by all who attended. An added benefit was that they brought in some new faces (and funds) from the local community.

Our links with the school have strengthened over this past year, and the regular interaction between preschool and Cound class has resulted in our children transitioning happily from Preschool into Reception, which is wonderful.

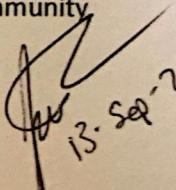
We start the new year with a good number of children on roll despite the departure of the older children moving up to school. I am pleased to report that Shropshire County Council have once again been a tremendous support and have committed to fund the preschool for another academic year enabling us to continue providing our invaluable service over Monday to Wednesday.

The pre-school committee is made up of parents, carers and local people within the community. The objectives of the Pre-school committee are to organise fundraising events, to help manage the Pre-school budget and to support the Pre-school staff.

All parents and carers of the children in pre-school are automatically members of the pre-school committee. We have an elected committee who manage all aspects of the pre-school. We meet formally once a year for the AGM and hold committee meetings every 2-3 months during the academic year. The current committee consists of: Chair – Abi Clutterbuck-James, Secretary – Kelly Magill, Treasurer - Claire Walshaw/Meg Purkiss. As per process, all 3 members will resign from their posts during this meeting and therefore the roles of Chair, secretary and treasurer will be available for re-election. For the committee to continue, these positions must be filled.

The AGM is the pre-school's only formal meeting of the year, covering committee elections, and the treasurers annual financial report. Before we commence these formalities, I would like to take few moments to extend my thanks.

- Firstly, thank you to Maria, Marie and Jemma who have again worked extremely hard this year to provide an engaging curriculum for the children as well as thinking of numerous fundraising ideas. In addition, they have been keeping their training up to date and revising pre-school policy documents to comply with new regulations as they come through. This means that they and the setting are both well-prepared for an Ofsted inspection should one occur. I have said it before, but they are a super team and a great asset to the Pre-school.
- Thank you to the members of the committee who have attended meetings throughout the year and who have contributed to our ideas and fundraising efforts for the Preschool, along with the cake baking. The time and effort you have dedicated to the preschool is very much appreciated.
- A special mention goes to the treasurers, Clare Walshaw and Meg Purkiss. I appreciate the transition of the treasurer's position over to Meg has taken a whole year because of DBS check delays etc but thank you both for keeping on top of the finances and pay roll.
- Thanks also goes to Kelly Magill who has kept accurate minutes of our meetings throughout the year.
- I would again like to express my gratitude to Neville Ward and Shropshire County Council for their support which is greatly appreciated by everyone involved with the Pre-school. Their continued support shows that they really do value the service we provide to the community

  
13. Sep 2023



I have been Chair of the pre-school committee for just over 3.5 years. During this time, we have experienced many challenges such as a worldwide pandemic and national lockdown. It brought its challenges but, as always, the preschool staff and committee worked together and came out the other side still smiling. Today the preschool has more children on the books than when I first started and now enjoys close links with the school. We have wonderful and dedicated staff who work well as a team and put the children and their education at the forefront of all they do. The Preschool is in good standing with funding secured for another year, so I feel it is time for a new Chair with new ideas to take the preschool into the future. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time as Chair and will continue to support the pre-school in their fundraising endeavours.

It just remains for me to say that I wish you all the best for the forthcoming year, may it be even more successful than the last.

Kind regards,

Abi Clutterbuck-James

Outgoing Chair



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name

Church Preen Preschool.

On accounts for the year  
ended

August 2023

Charity no  
(if any)

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 DD / MM / YYYY.

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 (~~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:

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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.

These accounts represent a true and fair view of the transactions during the period of 1st Sep 2022 to 31st Aug 2023.