

Trustees Annual Report 2023-24

Charity Name: Hampton in Arden Preschool Learning Alliance

Charity Registration Number: 1034251

Address: Scout and Guide Headquarters, Shadowbrook Lane, Hampton in Arden, Solihull, West Midlands, B92 0DQ

Trustee Names: Danielle Straupe (Chair), Jessica Lanzilotto (Treasurer), Jessica Woolley, Bethany Johnson, Hannah Dale, Victoria Goode

Hampton in Arden is a small village preschool offering morning play and development sessions to 24 children on four mornings per week, during term time. The preschool is run by two managers (job-share), one deputy manager and six qualified staff members as well as a committee of parents and ex-parents. The activities and objectives of the Preschool are to provide three hour sessions to children addressing the learning outcomes of the EYFS curriculum, providing a safe and stimulating environment for 2 and 3 year olds to support their transition to nursery at age 3. Many children attend the nursery at the village school after attending the Preschool and so there are established close links between the staff in both settings. The Preschool also provides a valuable source of activities and a sense of community for local residents with young children, which is becoming increasingly important as the village grows.

During the 2023-24 year, the Preschool has put funds into updating materials and equipment used by the children and staff during sessions as well as improving the experience of children with additional needs by investing in sensory speech equipment. Most of the Preschool's income continues to be fee income from parents and Solihull MBC. The year 2023-24 was also substantially subsidised by generous grant incomes, including £3000 from the local George Fentham Trust, another £3000 from the Dorothy Holmes Charitable Foundation, £1000 from the Lillie Johnson Trust and £200 from the Charities Aid Foundation. The Preschool also receives parents' voluntary contributions to top up the funded fee income for 3-year-old placements and continues to receive a small monthly income from the charitable clothing bank that was launched in May 2019. Additionally, the staff and parents have raised funds through various projects they have organized, including a sports day and toy raffle, each raising £350, and a sponsored boules club event raising an enormous £3500.

Overall, for the year 2023-24, the preschool made a profit of £7700. As there was a retained loss from 2022/23 of £13k, the preschool has therefore reduced the retained loss to £5300.

During 2023-24, Hampton-in-Arden Preschool had a 'Good' Ofsted rating, although they underwent a new inspection in the autumn of 2024; this time receiving an 'Outstanding' rating, which the staff and committee are very proud of. The staff continue building great relationships with the children and parents and children are making good progress whilst at the Preschool, including those with additional needs. Attendance at the Preschool also enables smoother transition to the local village nursery for those children who may have found this challenging and overwhelming.

Parents whose children attended the Preschool during 2022-23 have provided the following testimonials for the Preschool:



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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01-Sep-23	To	31-Aug-24
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Donations	7,549	-	-	7,549	16,184
Fundraising	9,386	-	-	9,386	993
Fees	58,413	-	-	58,413	38,928
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	75,348	-	-	75,348	56,105
A2 Asset and investment sales,					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	75,348	-	-	75,348	56,105
A3 Payments					
Wages	58,800	-	-	58,800	59,738
Expenses	2,255	-	-	2,255	2,608
Hall hire and maintenance costs	2,400	-	-	2,400	2,688
Membership	292	-	-	292	118
Training/courses	408	-	-	408	461
Advertising	685	-	-	685	613
Materials	2,788	-	-	2,788	6,525
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	67,628	-	-	67,628	72,751
A4 Asset and investment					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	67,628	-	-	67,628	72,751
Net of receipts/(payments)	7,720	-	-	7,720	- 16,646
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	3,145	-	-	3,145	19,791
Cash funds this year end	10,865	-	-	10,865	3,145

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment to nearest £
B1 Cash funds				
	Account balance	10,865	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	Total cash funds	10,865	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets				
	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets				
	Details	Fund to which asset	Cost (optional)	Current value
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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

B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which	Amount due	When due
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		Jessica Lanzilotto	28/11/2023

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Hampton-in-Arden Pre School

I report on the accounts of the Pre School for the year ended 31 August 2024, which are attached.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 any unusual items or disclosures 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 no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the next statement.

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 2011 Act and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 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

David Ash

Name: David Anthony Ash

Relevant professional qualification or body: Fellow Chartered Accountant (ICAEW)

Address: 140 Old Station Road, Hampton-in-Arden, Solihull B92 0HF

Date: 23rd June 2025



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Signed by one or two trustees on

Signature	Print Name	Date of