

CENTRE PRESCHOOL (COLCHESTER)

England & Wales · Charity number 1035531

Details

Other names CENTRE PLAYGROUP (COLCHESTER)

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1994-03-24

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

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Activities

Objects: TO ENHANCE THE DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION OF CHILDREN PRIMARILY UNDER STATUTORY SCHOOL AGE BY ENCOURAGING PARENTS TO UNDERSTAND AND PROVIDE FOR THE NEEDS OF THEIR CHILDREN THROUGH COMMUNITY GROUPS AND BY; (A) OFFERING APPROPRIATE PLAY, EDUCATION AND CARE FACILITIES, FAMILY LEARNING AND EXTENDED HOURS GROUPS, TOGETHER WITH THE RIGHT OF PARENTS TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR AND TO BECOME INVOLVED IN THE ACTIVITIES OF SUCH GROUPS, ENSURING THAT SUCH GROUPS OFFER OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL CHILDREN WHATEVER THEIR RACE, CULTURE, RELIGION, MEANS OR ABILITY;(B) ENCOURAGING THE STUDY OF SUCH NEEDS OF SUCH CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES AND PROMOTING PUBLIC INTEREST IN AND RECOGNITION OF SUCH NEEDS IN THE LOCAL AREAS;(C) INSTIGATING AND ADHERING TO AND FURTHERING THE AIMS AND OBJECTS OF THE PRE-SCHOOL LEARNING ALLIANCE.

Activities: We are an affordable Pre-school, supporting the local area: offering a very high standard of care to children of all walks of life and ethnic backgrounds. We have a fantastic range of activities including an outdoor play area to promote co-ordination and confidence in the outside world as well as additional development for learning through the Pre-school garden.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Services
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** COLCHESTER
- Essex

Finances

| Period end | Income | Expenditure | Assets | Employees | |
|------------|----------|-------------|--------|-----------|---|
| 2025-07-31 | | £0 | £0 | - | - |
| 2024-07-31 | £150,916 | £121,779 | | - | - |
| 2023-07-31 | £112,598 | £103,968 | | - | - |
| 2022-07-31 | £99,733 | £106,362 | | - | - |
| 2021-07-31 | £118,436 | £114,255 | | - | - |
| 2020-07-31 | £119,221 | £115,025 | | - | - |

Trustees

| Name | Role | Appointed |
|---------------|------|------------|
| Anita Thomas | | 2024-03-11 |
| Sue Lissimore | | 2019-10-01 |

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Reserves policy

The trustees have examined the charity's requirements for reserves in the light of the main risks to the organisation and consider that the unrestricted funds held by the charity should be between 2 and 12 months expenditure.

Future plans

The trustees plan to continue and grow the activities of the pre-school in forthcoming years and at the end of the year transferred the assets to a CIC.

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Trustee

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Statement of financial activities
for the year to 31st July 2024**

| | Design ated fund | Restricted fund | Unrestricted funds | Total | unrestricted & total |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ | 2023 |
| Incoming resources | | | | | |
| from charitable activities | | | | | |
| Fees received - families (1) | | 0 | 34,116 | 34,116 | 31,061 |
| Essex County Council grant | | <u>0</u> | <u>115,699</u> | 115,699 | <u>80,982</u> |
| | | 0 | 149,815 | 149,815 | 112,043 |
| From generated funds | | | | | |
| Fund raising activities | | 0 | 679 | 679 | 272 |
| Interest | | 0 | 370 | 370 | 199 |
| uniform | | 0 | 52 | 52 | 79 |
| Donations / other | | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | 0 | <u>5</u> |
| Total incoming resources | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>150,916</u> | <u>150,916</u> | <u>112,598</u> |
| Charitable expenses | | | | | |
| Staff salaries & NI costs (2,4) | | 0 | 91,875 | 91,875 | 78,276 |
| Staff development | | 0 | 367 | 367 | 102 |
| Rent | | 0 | 20,337 | 20,337 | 18,208 |
| Refreshments & consumables | | 0 | 1,573 | 1,573 | 903 |
| Toys & equipment | | 0 | 745 | 745 | 818 |
| Craft & stationery | | 0 | 514 | 514 | 576 |
| Uniforms | | 0 | 653 | 653 | 0 |
| Insurance | | 0 | 550 | 550 | 525 |
| Post stat & Tel | | 0 | 930 | 930 | 716 |
| Miscellaneous | | 0 | 733 | 733 | 337 |
| Cleaning | | 0 | 2,288 | 2,288 | 2,379 |
| Photographs | | 0 | <u>193</u> | 193 | <u>133</u> |
| Total charitable expenses | <u>0</u> | 0 | <u>120,758</u> | <u>120,758</u> | <u>102,973</u> |
| Admin expenses - Accountancy | | <u>0</u> | <u>1,021</u> | 1,021 | <u>995</u> |
| Total resources expended | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>121,779</u> | <u>121,779</u> | <u>103,968</u> |
| Surplus for year | 0 | 0 | <u>29,137</u> | <u>29,137</u> | <u>8,630</u> |
| Retained profit brought forward | 17,182 | 0 | 36,198 | 53,380 | 44,750 |
| Transferred to CIC | <u>17,182</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>65,335</u> | <u>82,517</u> | |
| Carried forward | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>53,380</u> |

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Statement of assets and liabilities
as at 31st July 2024

| | Note | £ | £ | £ | 2023 |
|-----------------------|------|---|----------|-----------------|----------------------|
| Current assets | | | | | |
| Bank deposit accounts | | | 0 | | 25,329 |
| Bank current account | | | 0 | | 27,799 |
| Cash in hand | | | <u>0</u> | | <u>252</u> |
| Total current assets | | | | <u>0</u> | <u>53,380</u> |
| Designated funds | | | 0 | | 17,182 |
| Restricted funds | | | 0 | | 0 |
| Unrestricted funds | | | <u>0</u> | | <u>36,198</u> |
| Total funds | | | | <u>0</u> | <u>53,380</u> |

On behalf of the trustees

Centre pre-school Colchester

Notes to the accounts

for the year to 31st July 2024

1. Accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards. There were no material departures from those standards.

a) Basis of preparation of financial statements.

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b) Fund accounting

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c) Incoming resources

Income is included at the date the charity is entitled to that income.

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Expenses is recognised on an actual basis as a liability is paid

e) Capital equipment

The costs of minor additions or those less than £3000 are not capitalised but fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of the asset over its expected useful life, in all cases estimated at 4 years.

2. Staff costs and numbers

There were 8 employees during the year. No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000. The cost of the highest paid employee was £26400

3. Creditors:

Amounts falling due within one year - £0, previous year: £0

4. Trustee remuneration & related party transactions

No trustee received any remuneration during the year. Apart from the benefit of the pre-school provision offered to the public, no trustee had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year.

5. Taxation:

As a charity Centre pre-school is exempt from taxation on income and gains to the extent that these are applied to the charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the charity

6. Analysis of net assets between funds

| | Restricted funds | Unrestricted funds | total |
|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| Net current assets | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Independent Examiner's report
to the Trustees of
Centre pre-school Colchester

I report on the accounts of the trust for the year ended 31st July, set out on pages 5 and 6.

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(2) of the charities Act 2011 (the Act) does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act, follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145 (5) (b) of the Act, and 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 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 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 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 to comply with the accounting requirements of the acthave 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



Neil Loxley

Mar 2025

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| | £ | £ | £ | £ | 2022 |
| Incoming resources | | | | | |
| from charitable activities | | | | | |
| Fees received - families (1) | | 0 | 31,061 | 31,061 | 23,685 |
| Essex County Council grant | | <u>0</u> | <u>80,982</u> | 80,982 | <u>74,394</u> |
| | | 0 | 112,043 | 112,043 | 98,079 |
| From generated funds | | | | | |
| Fund raising activities | | 0 | 272 | 272 | 151 |
| Interest | | 0 | 199 | 199 | 9 |
| uniform | | 0 | 79 | 79 | 215 |
| Donations / other | | <u>0</u> | <u>5</u> | 5 | <u>1,279</u> |
| Total incoming resources | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>112,598</u> | <u>112,598</u> | <u>99,733</u> |
| Charitable expenses | | | | | |
| Staff salaries & NI costs (2,4) | | 0 | 78,276 | 78,276 | 84,044 |
| Staff development | | 0 | 102 | 102 | 697 |
| Rent | | 0 | 18,208 | 18,208 | 15,484 |
| Refreshments & consumables | | 0 | 903 | 903 | 850 |
| Toys & equipment | | 0 | 818 | 818 | 841 |
| Craft & stationery | | 0 | 576 | 576 | 302 |
| Uniforms | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 533 |
| Insurance | | 0 | 525 | 525 | 510 |
| Post stat & Tel | | 0 | 716 | 716 | 422 |
| Miscellaneous | | 0 | 337 | 337 | 222 |
| Cleaning | | 0 | 2,379 | 2,379 | 1,642 |
| Photographs | | 0 | <u>133</u> | 133 | <u>129</u> |
| Total charitable expenses | <u>0</u> | 0 | <u>102,973</u> | <u>102,973</u> | <u>105,676</u> |
| Admin expenses - Accountancy | | <u>0</u> | <u>995</u> | 995 | <u>686</u> |
| Total resources expended | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>103,968</u> | <u>103,968</u> | <u>106,362</u> |
| Surplus for year | 0 | 0 | 8,630 | 8,630 | -6,629 |
| Retained profit brought forward | 17,182 | 0 | 27,568 | 44,750 | 51,379 |
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| Current assets | | | | | |
| Bank deposit accounts | | | 25,329 | | 25,130 |
| Bank current account | | | 27,799 | | 19,367 |
| Cash in hand | | | <u>252</u> | | <u>253</u> |
| Total current assets | | | | <u>53,380</u> | <u>44,750</u> |
| Designated funds | | | 17,182 | | 17,182 |
| Restricted funds | | | 0 | | 0 |
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7. The restricted fund in 2022 was 1000 received from CBC for equipment and cleaning

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| | £ | £ | £ | £ | 2021 |
| Incoming resources | | | | | |
| from charitable activities | | | | | |
| Fees received - families (1) | | 0 | 23,685 | 23,685 | 20,988 |
| Essex County Council grant | | <u>0</u> | <u>74,394</u> | 74,394 | <u>96,387</u> |
| | | 0 | 98,079 | 98,079 | 117,375 |
| From generated funds | | | | | |
| Fund raising activities | | 0 | 151 | 151 | 644 |
| Interest | | 0 | 9 | 9 | 3 |
| uniform | | 0 | 215 | 215 | 182 |
| Donations / other | | <u>1,000</u> | <u>279</u> | 1,279 | <u>235</u> |
| Total incoming resources | <u>0</u> | <u>1,000</u> | <u>98,733</u> | <u>99,733</u> | <u>118,439</u> |
| Charitable expenses | | | | | |
| Staff salaries & NI costs (2,4) | | 0 | 84,044 | 84,044 | 92,789 |
| Staff development | | 0 | 697 | 697 | 700 |
| Rent | | 0 | 15,484 | 15,484 | 14,414 |
| Refreshments & consumables | | 0 | 850 | 850 | 886 |
| Toys & equipment | | 684 | 157 | 841 | 115 |
| Craft & stationery | | 0 | 302 | 302 | 299 |
| Uniforms | | 0 | 533 | 533 | 0 |
| Insurance | | 0 | 510 | 510 | 503 |
| Post stat & Tel | | 0 | 422 | 422 | 728 |
| Miscellaneous | | 0 | 222 | 222 | 151 |
| Cleaning | | 316 | 1,326 | 1,642 | 2,552 |
| Photographs | | 0 | <u>129</u> | 129 | <u>108</u> |
| Total charitable expenses | <u>0</u> | <u>1,000</u> | <u>104,676</u> | <u>105,676</u> | <u>113,245</u> |
| Admin expenses - Accountancy | | <u>0</u> | <u>686</u> | 686 | <u>1010</u> |
| Total resources expended | <u>0</u> | <u>1,000</u> | <u>105,362</u> | <u>106,362</u> | <u>114,255</u> |
| Surplus for year | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>-6,629</u> | <u>-6,629</u> | <u>4,184</u> |
| Retained profit brought forward | 17,182 | 0 | 34,197 | 51,379 | 47,195 |
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| Bank current account | | | 19,367 | | 26,247 |
| Cash in hand | | | <u>253</u> | | <u>11</u> |
| Total current assets | | | | <u>44,750</u> | <u>51,379</u> |
| Designated funds | | | 17,182 | | 17,182 |
| Restricted funds | | | 0 | | |
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The costs of minor additions or those less than £3000 are not capitalised but fixed assets are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the cost of the asset over its expected useful life, in all cases estimated at 4 years.

2. Staff costs and numbers

There were 9 employees during the year. No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000. The cost of the highest paid employee was £21325

3. Creditors:

Amounts falling due within one year - £0, previous year: £0

4. Trustee remuneration & related party transactions

No trustee received any remuneration during the year. Apart from the benefit of the pre-school provision offered to the public, no trustee had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity during the year.

5. Taxation:

As a charity Centre pre-school is exempt from taxation on income and gains to the extent that these are applied to the charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the charity

6. Analysis of net assets between funds

| | Restricted funds | Unrestricted funds | total |
|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| Net current assets | 0 | 44750 | 44750 |

7. The restricted fund was 1000 received from CBC for equipment and cleaning

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to the Trustees of
Centre pre-school Colchester

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Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

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Independent examiner's statement

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Neil Loxley

May 2023

CENTRE PRESCHOOL (COLCHESTER)

England & Wales - Charity number 1035531

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Centre pre-school Colchester
Trust information
for the year to 31st July 2021

| | |
|-----------------------------|---|
| Charity registration number | 1035531 |
| Trustees | Lizanne Shiret Marie Wetton-Smith Sue Lissimore |
| Registered office | 329 Straight Rd Colchester CO39EF |
| Bankers | Nat West, 25 High St Colchester CO11DG |
| Solicitors | Birkett Long 42 Crouch St, Colchester CO3 3HH |
| Independent Examiner | Neil Loxley Accountancy Services 39 Shakespeare rd Colchester CO3 9DW |

Centre pre-school Colchester

Trustees report for the year to 31st July 2021

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The organisation of the work of the charity is in the hands of the trustees, an elected group, the majority of whom have children attending the pre-school. The group recruit new members by making their work and involvement known to the parties connected with the pre-school and inviting interest. New trustees are voted onto the group by the existing trustees.

During the year under review the charity has maintained its services as a pre-school provider

Financial Position

The accounts on pages 5 and 6 set out the transactions for the year. The trustees are satisfied with the overall position. The trustees are confident that the long term viability of the charity is not in question, but have established the designated fund which is the amount calculated as a liability in staff redundancy payments in the event of the charity being wound up.

Reserves policy

The trustees have examined the charity's requirements for reserves in the light of the main risks to the organisation and consider that the unrestricted funds held by the charity should be between 2 and 12 months expenditure.

Future plans

The trustees plan to continue and grow the activities of the pre-school in forthcoming years.

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Trustee

**Centre pre-school Colchester
Statement of financial activities
for the year to 31st July 2021**

| | Restrict 'd fund | designated funds | Unrestricted funds | Total | unrestricted & total |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ | 2020 |
| Incoming resources | | | | | |
| from charitable activities | | | | | |
| Fees received - families (1) | | 0 | 20,988 | 20,988 | 16,577 |
| Essex County Council grant | | <u>0</u> | <u>96,387</u> | 96,387 | <u>101,636</u> |
| | | 0 | 117,375 | 117,375 | 118,213 |
| From generated funds | | | | | |
| Fund raising activities | | 0 | 644 | 644 | 602 |
| Interest | | 0 | 3 | 3 | 42 |
| uniform | | 0 | 182 | 182 | 239 |
| Donations / other | | <u>0</u> | <u>235</u> | 235 | <u>125</u> |
| Total incoming resources | | <u>0</u> | <u>118,439</u> | <u>118,439</u> | <u>119,221</u> |
| Charitable expenses | | | | | |
| Staff salaries & NI costs (2,4) | | 0 | 92,789 | 92,789 | 98,612 |
| Staff development | | 0 | 700 | 700 | 118 |
| Rent | | 0 | 14,414 | 14,414 | 9,878 |
| Refreshments & consumables | | 0 | 886 | 886 | 691 |
| Local trips parties etc | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 835 |
| Toys & equipment | | 0 | 115 | 115 | 219 |
| Craft & stationery | | 0 | 299 | 299 | 591 |
| Uniforms | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 110 |
| Insurance | | 0 | 503 | 503 | 502 |
| Post stat & Tel | | 0 | 728 | 728 | 542 |
| Miscellaneous | | 0 | 151 | 151 | 1,974 |
| Cleaning | | 0 | 2,552 | 2,552 | |
| Photographs | | 0 | <u>108</u> | 108 | <u>109</u> |
| Total charitable expenses | | 0 | <u>113,245</u> | <u>113,245</u> | <u>114,181</u> |
| Admin expenses - Accountancy | | <u>0</u> | <u>1,010</u> | 1,010 | <u>844</u> |
| Total resources expended | | <u>0</u> | <u>114,255</u> | <u>114,255</u> | <u>115,025</u> |
| Surplus for year | 0 | 0 | 4,184 | 4,184 | 4,196 |
| Retained profit brought forward | 0 | 17182 | 30,013 | 47,195 | 42,999 |
| Retained profit carried forward | <u>0</u> | <u>17,182</u> | <u>34,197</u> | <u>51,379</u> | <u>47,195</u> |

Centre pre-school Colchester
Statement of assets and liabilities
as at 31st July 2021

| | Note | £ | £ | £ | 2020 |
|-----------------------|------|---|---------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Current assets | | | | | |
| Bank deposit accounts | | | 25,121 | | 25,118 |
| Bank current account | | | 26,247 | | 21,939 |
| Cash in hand | | | <u>11</u> | | <u>138</u> |
| Total current assets | | | | <u>51,379</u> | <u>47,195</u> |
| Designated funds | | | <u>17,182</u> | | 17,182 |
| Unrestricted funds | | | <u>34,197</u> | | <u>30,013</u> |
| Total funds | | | | <u>51,379</u> | <u>47,195</u> |

On behalf of the trustees

Centre pre-school Colchester

Notes to the accounts

for the year to 31st July 2021

1. Accounting policies

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2. Staff costs and numbers

There were 9 employees during the year. No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000

3. Creditors:

Amounts falling due within one year - £0, previous year: £0

4. Trustee remuneration & related party transactions

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6. Analysis of net assets between funds

| | Restricted funds | Unrestricted funds | total |
|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| Net current assets | 0 | 51379 | 51379 |

Independent Examiner's report
to the Trustees of
Centre pre-school Colchester

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May 2022

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| Registered office | 329 Straight Rd Colchester CO39EF |
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trustee

Centre pre-school Colchester
Statement of financial activities
for the year to 31st July 2020

| | Restrict 'd fund | designated funds | Unrestricted funds | Total | unrestricted & total |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ | 2019 |
| Incoming resources | | | | | |
| from charitable activities | | | | | |
| Fees received - families (1) | | 0 | 16,577 | 16,577 | 25,150 |
| Essex county Council grant | | <u>0</u> | <u>101,636</u> | <u>101,636</u> | <u>87,849</u> |
| | | 0 | 118,213 | 118,213 | 112,999 |
| From generated funds | | | | | |
| Fund raising activities | | 0 | 602 | 602 | 1,356 |
| Interest | | 0 | 42 | 42 | 44 |
| uniform | | 0 | 239 | 239 | 665 |
| Donations / other | | <u>0</u> | <u>125</u> | <u>125</u> | <u>1,499</u> |
| Total incoming resources | | <u>0</u> | <u>119,221</u> | <u>119,221</u> | <u>116,563</u> |
| Charitable expenses | | | | | |
| Staff salaries & NI costs (2,4) | | 0 | 98,612 | 98,612 | 97,079 |
| Staff development | | 0 | 118 | 118 | 755 |
| Rent | | 0 | 9,878 | 9,878 | 22,209 |
| Refreshments & consumables | | 0 | 691 | 691 | 1,227 |
| Local trips parties etc | | 0 | 835 | 835 | 421 |
| Toys & equipment | | | 219 | 219 | 82 |
| Craft & stationery | | 0 | 591 | 591 | 882 |
| Uniforms | | 0 | 110 | 110 | 483 |
| Insurance | | 0 | 502 | 502 | 502 |
| Post stat & Tel | | 0 | 542 | 542 | 829 |
| Miscellaneous | | 0 | 1,974 | 1,974 | 1,935 |
| Photographs | | 0 | <u>109</u> | <u>109</u> | <u>210</u> |
| Total charitable expenses | | 0 | <u>114,181</u> | <u>114,181</u> | <u>126,614</u> |
| Admin expenses - Accountancy | | <u>0</u> | <u>844</u> | <u>844</u> | <u>843</u> |
| Total resources expended | | <u>0</u> | <u>115,025</u> | <u>115,025</u> | <u>127,457</u> |
| Surplus for year | 0 | 0 | 4,196 | 4,196 | -10,894 |
| Retained profit brought forward | 0 | 17,182 | 25,817 | 42,999 | 53,893 |
| Transfers between funds | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> |
| Retained profit carried forward | <u>0</u> | <u>17,182</u> | <u>30,013</u> | <u>47,195</u> | <u>42,999</u> |

Centre pre-school Colchester
Statement of assets and liabilities
as at 31st July 2020

| | Not e | £ | £ | £ | 2019 |
|-----------------------|----------|---|---------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Current assets | | | | | |
| Bank deposit accounts | | | 25,118 | | 25,076 |
| Bank current account | | | 21,939 | | 17,861 |
| Cash in hand | | | <u>138</u> | | <u>62</u> |
| Total current assets | | | | <u>47,195</u> | <u>42,999</u> |
| Designated funds | | | 17,182 | | 17,182 |
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Neil Loxley

1 April 2021

Centre pre-school Colchester

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for the year to 31st July 2020

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3. Creditors:

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4. Trustee remuneration & related party transactions

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6. Analysis of net assets between funds

| | Restricted funds | Unrestricted funds | total |
|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------|
| Net current assets | 0 | 47195 | 47195 |