

**Trustee's Report**  
**ST BARNABAS PRE-SCHOOL PLAYGROUP**  
**(Registered Charity Number 1035975)**

The Trustees are pleased to report that a small profit of £4,511 was generated in the year compared to the significant losses made over the past two years.

The turnaround in fortunes, although income did rise by over £6,000, was almost entirely due to the measures taken last year to curb expenditure and reduce staff levels. The payroll alone was reduced by almost £26,000.

Tight financial controls remain in place and it is expected that the new year will generate a further small profit.

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Rev Andrew L. McPherson

The Vicarage 53a Holdenhurst Avenue Bournemouth Dorset BH7 6RB

Dated 3 May 2023

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of**  
**ST BARNABAS PRE-SCHOOL PLAYGROUP**  
**(Registered Charity Number 1035975)**

This report on the financial statements of the Playgroup for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on pages 1 and 2, is in respect of an examination carried out in accordance with the Church Accounting Regulations 2006 ('the Regulations') and s.43 of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act').

**Respective responsibilities of the Trustees and examiner**

As Trustees of the Playgroup you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements; you 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;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state 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 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 the management committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in a full audit, and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the accounts.

**Independent Examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matters have come to my attention

1. which give me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with s.130 of the 2011 Act; or
  - to prepare accounts which accord with these accounting records 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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Mr Peter A Miles

35 Swanmore Road Bournemouth Dorset BH7 6PD

Dated 3 May 2023