

Chelford Village Pre-School Chairperson's Report

Reporting Period: 1st January 2025 to 31st August 2025

Presented at the Annual General Meeting by the Chairperson, Eleanor Daniel.

This year's Chair's Report covers a shorter accounting period than usual, running from January 2025 to August 2025. This is due to the preschool moving its financial reporting year from January–December to an academic year cycle of September–August. From September 2025 onwards, reporting will align with the academic year. The move to an academic-year reporting cycle will help align financial planning more closely with the operational year of the preschool going forward.

Despite this shorter reporting period, it has still been another busy and positive time for the preschool. Pupil numbers have remained strong throughout the year, which continues to reflect the positive reputation of the setting within the local community and the ongoing hard work and commitment of the staff team.

The preschool has continued to provide a warm, nurturing and engaging environment for the children, with a strong focus on supporting their development through play, exploration and positive relationships. As always, the staff team have worked incredibly hard to support the children and families within our community.

Staffing has remained steady throughout the year. Carrie joined the team for the Spring and Summer terms, and it has been wonderful to benefit from the experience and knowledge she has brought into the setting. Harriet also stepped down from her Assistant Manager role at the end of July 2025 in order to pursue a teaching role within Reception. However, we are very pleased that Harriet will remain part of the preschool team, continuing to work with us on Mondays. We feel this reflects the positive environment and strong relationships within the setting and team.

Throughout the year, the preschool has continued to hold a number of events and celebrations for families, including Mother's Day and Father's Day stay-and-play sessions, as well as Sports Day, all of which were very well attended and enjoyed by both children and parents. These events continue to be an important part of preschool life and help strengthen the connection between home and setting.

A particular highlight this year has been the commitment shown by the staff team towards their own professional development. Staff completed a government-funded Early Years Development Programme, which involved a 20-week training course undertaken largely in their own time outside of working hours. The committee would like to formally recognise the dedication and professionalism shown by the team in completing this programme, which has already had a positive impact on practice within the setting.

Financially, despite this being a shortened accounting period, the preschool has remained in a strong position and recorded a surplus of just over £2,000 across the January–August period. When combined with the surplus achieved during the previous accounting year, this places the preschool in a positive position for future developments and ongoing investment within the setting.

As I step down officially as Chair, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the staff team, committee members and families for all of their support during my time in the role. I am delighted to welcome Ellie Turton and Alex Rossiter as the new Co-Chairs of the committee, and I have no doubt that they will continue to steer the preschool towards further success in the years ahead.

Finally, the committee would like to thank all staff for their continued hard work, flexibility and commitment during the year, as well as all parents and families for their ongoing support of the preschool. Thank you also to the committee members and volunteers who continue to give their time to support the running of the charity.

We look forward to continuing to build on this positive work as we move into the new academic and financial year.

Eleanor Daniel

Chairperson, Chelford Village Pre-School

May 2026

Chelford Village Preschool – Treasurers Report

Accounting Period 01.01.2025 – 31.08.2025

The preschool opened the year with a balance in the main current account of £51,270.67 and closed accounts on the 31.08.2025 showing a balance of £54,619.04

The reserve account opened with a balance of £4,162.51 and closed with balance of £4,194.84. The account had no expenditure and incurred interest over the 8 months of £32.33.

The accounting period has been shortened to eight months so that the financial year will align with the preschool year going forward. Therefore, with the shorter year we have only make a slight profit of £2,212.42

Income

Total income for the financial period was £76,818.77, comprising:

- Fee income: £24,983.20
- Cheshire East funding: £51,068.76
- Preschool lunches float: £414.81
- Donations: £352.00

Expenditure

Total expenditure for the financial period was £74,606.35.

Debtors

Debtors at the year end totalled £1,125.20. All outstanding balances were paid after the year end, leaving no outstanding debtors.

Creditors

Creditors at the year end was a total of £2,013.84

Breakdown:

Aged Creditors (purchases) - £1,079.85 – paid after date

PAYE - £933.98 – paid 29/10/2025

Capital Expenditure

There was no significant capital expenditure during the financial period.

Donations

Total donations received during the year amounted to £352.00. These funds were raised through three fundraising events:

- Mother's Day Afternoon Tea: £145.00
- Father's Day Big Breakfast: £125.00
- Sports Day: £82.00

Conclusion

Overall, the preschool remains in a stable financial position, with both the main current account and reserve account maintaining healthy balances at the year end. Despite this being a shortened eight-month accounting period, the preschool achieved a small surplus of £2,212.42 while continuing to meet all financial obligations. Income remained strong through a combination of funding, fees, and fundraising activities, and expenditure was managed effectively throughout the period. The alignment of future financial years with the preschool year will provide clearer financial reporting going forward.

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Chelford Village pre-school

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Chelford Village pre-school (The Trust) for the period ending 31/08/25.

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 the section 145 of the 2011 Act, I have followed all 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 and can confirm that no material matters have come to my attention that would give me cause to believe, that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the trust, as required by section 120 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records

In addition to my examination, and following discussion with the Treasurer, I have come across no other matters that would affect the proper understanding of the accounts, summarised overleaf.

The accounts are prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

Signed:



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Date:

13/05/26

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Profit and Loss Report

01 January, 2025 - 31 August, 2025

Sales		
4000 - Fees payments	24,983.20	
4010 - Cheshire East - Funding Payment	51,068.76	
4030 - Preschool Lunches	414.81	
4900 - Donations	352.00	
	Total Sales	£76,818.77
Direct Expenses		
	Total Direct Expenses	£0.00
	GROSS PROFIT / LOSS	£76,818.77
Overheads		
7000 - Employee Wages and Salaries	61,951.00	
7030 - Employer's Pension	972.28	
7100 - Rent	6,000.00	
7520 - Office Stationery	19.27	
7530 - Telephone	337.94	
7550 - Computer & Software	344.76	
7610 - Accountancy Fees	950.00	
7640 - Educational Toys and Equipment	9.99	
7900 - Bank Charges and Interest	-32.33	
8200 - General Expenses	1,156.08	
8201 - Preschool activities	350.51	
8202 - Preschool books and resources	138.66	
8203 - Fundraising costs - Events	396.47	
8204 - Leavers gifts	304.94	
8210 - Subscriptions	1,470.49	
8230 - Training Costs	75.00	
8240 - Preschool snacks	161.29	
	Total Overheads	£74,606.35
	NET PROFIT / LOSS	£2,212.42

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Balance Sheet Report

To: 31 August, 2025

ASSETS		
Fixed Assets		
	Total Fixed Assets	£0.00
Current Assets		
1100 - Trade Debtors	1,125.20	
1200 - Bank Account	54,619.04	
1210 - Reserve account	4,194.84	
	Total Current Assets	£59,939.08
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LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
2100 - Trade Creditors	1,079.86	
2210 - PAYE to pay to HMRC	933.98	
	Total Current Liabilities	£2,013.84
Future Liabilities		
	Total Future Liabilities	£0.00
	TOTAL LIABILITIES	£2,013.84
	TOTAL NET ASSETS	£57,925.24
EQUITY		
Net Profit / Loss	57,925.24	
Net Profit / Loss (prior year(s))	55,712.82	
Net Profit / Loss (current year)	2,212.42	
	TOTAL EQUITY	£57,925.24