



Cheeky Chimps of Ashcott
INDEPENDENTLY EXAMINED ACCOUNTS

For the year ended

31 August 2023

Charity Number 1045193

CHALMERS HB LTD
Chartered Accountants
20 Chamberlain Street
Wells
Somerset BA5 2PF

Cheeky Chimps of Ashcott

ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 August 2023

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Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Cheeky Chimps of Ashcott

On accounts for the year
ended

31st August 2023

Charity no
(if any)

1045193

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended **31/08/2023**.

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 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.

Signed:

Date:

14th June 2024

Name:

Paul Dix

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

ACCA & ICAEW

Address:

Chalmers HB, 20 Chamberlain Street
Wells, Somerset. BA5 2PF

Section B**Disclosure**

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.



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	Day	Month	Year		Day	Month	Year
	01	09	2022		31	08	2023

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name	Cheeky Chimps at Ashcott
Other names charity is known by	Cheeky Chimps
Registered charity number (if any)	1045193
Charity's principal address	Ridgeway Ashcott Somerset Postcode TA7 9PP

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Melissa Twitchell	Trustee & Chair	From Nov 2022	
2	Joanne Spencer	Treasurer & Trustee		
3	Vicky O'Brien	Trustee		
4	Nikoletta Cox	Trustee	From Nov 2022	
5	Claire Whitcombe	Trustee	From Nov 2022	
6	Rose Stokes	Trustee	From Dec 2022	
7	Claire Whitcombe	Trustee	From Nov 2022	
8	Kim Ball	Trustee and Chair	Passed away March 2023	
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11				
12				

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Accountants	Chalmers HB Ltd	20 Chamberlain Street, Wells, Somerset. BA5 2PF

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B

Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution adopted 20 th July 1994, amended 8 th October 2007 and 23 rd October 2019
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Unincorporated charity, registered with the Charity Commission
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Trustees are appointed by the existing board of trustees.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Trustee Board Composition

The constitution sets out the requirement for 60% of the trustees to be 'Family' Members of Cheeky Chimps.

Risk Management

The Trustees have considered the major risks facing the charity and have taken steps to mitigate those risks.

Related Parties

As above, the constitution requires members to be represented on the board of Trustees, therefore it is normal for some of the Trustees to pay the charity for providing services, which is all carried out on an arm's length basis.

Trustee Remuneration

None of the Trustees have been paid any remuneration or received any other benefits from the charity.

Section C

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The aims of Cheeky Chimps are to enhance the development and education of children primarily under statutory school age and children attending our wrap around care 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 the 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

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17(5) of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the public benefit guidance published by the Commission

The charity was able to meet its objectives by successfully running the pre-school facility all year, even throughout period of national lockdown, including developing at-home support packs for those children who did not attend the site during these times.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

2022 – 2023 was the most challenging year for all at Cheeky Chimps Pre-school, but as a team, both staff and Committee came together to get through an extremely difficult time.

We started off the year on a high after the very successful renovation of the building. We spent approximately £35,000, moved rooms around, new kitchen, flooring. The result has been, we now have a homely, cosy environment for our families to thrive in.

We held an Open Morning in November which opened up the setting to the community to come and see the improvements that had been made. Thanks to Jo, for organising the event.

At Christmas we held our annual party inviting in a DJ and Father Christmas. Lots of children attended and we had great fun.

In January unfortunately our roof started to leak and we were quoted a huge £21,000 for it to be fixed. The fundraising effort was phenomenal.

We were also contacted by Somerset County Council to ask up to renew our lease. This was going to incur a significant additional cost. We asked Somerset County Council if we could delay the renewal which they did agree to. This enabled us to focus on fundraising for the roof.

March brought about the extremely sad news that our wonderful Chair of Cheeky Chimps Committee Kim Ball had passed away. It goes without saying we were all absolutely devastated by the news. Kim had worked tirelessly to move Cheeky Chimps forward and make it the best it could be. Her hard work and dedication that she brought to the role was admirable and we are so grateful for the huge improvements she was pivotal in bringing about. She is sorely missed by so many.

We were ever so grateful for Millie Twitchell for coming forward and taking over the role in such difficult circumstances.

Although we had informed Ofsted regarding the difficult time we were going through, we had an inspection on 17th April 2023 after putting in a request for it to be differed from 14th March 2023. We were beyond disappointed with the whole inspection process and result of 'requires improvement'. We were overwhelmed by the repose we received from our parents and very thankful for their kind words, emails and messages all as dumbfounded as us in the result as this most defiantly is not a true reflection of Cheeky Chimps. The follow-up inspection in February 2024 resulted in a 'Good' Rating.

In April we held an Easter Event, the children sung some Easter Songs, we had an Easter Egg Hunt and a sponsored obstacle course challenge. The event was received with all but one parent attending.

On the 1st July we held our small steps big target fundraising event where we walked up the Tor to raise money for our roof. Lots of families joined us and the event was a great success.

On the 8th July we supported the children's tent at Ashcott Beer Fest, thank you to the committee members that were able to help out. Next year it would be good to organise time slots of helpers.

Section D

Achievements and performance

In August a new rubber roof was installed for a total price of approximately £13,000.

The Trustees would like to thank the whole team in coming together for the good of Cheeky Chimps and the children and families we serve. We are extremely proud and thankful for all the support and feeling of togetherness during the challenging time.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity's reserve policy is to maintain a sufficient level of unrestricted reserves necessary to generate the income required to run the charity on a day-to-day basis.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Summary of Results

During the year, the charity received income of £156,002 (2023: £145,011).

Expenditure totalled £154,983 (2023: £133,201) so a surplus of £1,019 (2023: surplus of £11,810) was made this year.

We also invested in equipment and building works totalling £31,957 (2023: £4,169) resulting in an overall reduction in cash funds of £30,957.

This one-off expenditure has been planned for some time and cash reserves had been raised and increased for this purpose over a number of years.

Cash funds at the year end amounted to £57,629 (2023: £88,565), all of which are unrestricted.

The Trustees believe that they have adequately been able to meet the charitable objectives during the year.

Principal Sources of Funds

The main funding sources are income from education related grants and fees paid directly by parents.

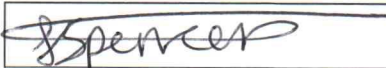

Section F

Other optional information

Section G**Declaration**

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	JOANNE SPENCER	Melissa Twitchell
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	TREASURER	Chair
Date	10/6/2024	



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Cheeky Chimps of Ashcott

No (if any)
1045193

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01/09/2022		31/08/2023

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Government Grants	80,546	-	-	80,546	90,277
Fees	56,648	-	-	56,648	52,737
Bank Interest	182	-	-	182	9
General Donations	9,365	-	-	9,365	1,038
Roof Repair related Grants	-	9,260	-	9,260	950
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	146,742	9,260	-	156,002	145,011
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	146,742	9,260	-	156,002	145,011
A3 Payments					
Activities and materials	993	-	-	993	1,433
Refreshments and Ingredients	4,116	-	-	4,116	3,286
Play Equipment	2,398	-	-	2,398	3,464
Insurance	1,427	-	-	1,427	1,286
Wages	103,558	-	-	103,558	103,597
Coaches for Clubs	1,441	-	-	1,441	1,120
Training and Recruitment	392	-	-	392	657
Uniform	-	-	-	-	366
Premises and maintenance costs	23,847	9,260	-	33,107	9,161
Office costs	2,429	-	-	2,429	1,941
Payroll and Bookkeeping	1,841	-	-	1,841	1,987
Accountancy	1,668	-	-	1,668	2,178
Subscriptions and Licences	1,005	-	-	1,005	1,374
Other Expenses	292	-	-	292	1,200
Bank Charges	315	-	-	315	151
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	145,722	9,260	-	154,983	133,201
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Equipment purchased	983	-	-	983	4,169
Property Enhancements	30,974	-	-	30,974	-
Sub total	31,957	-	-	31,957	4,169
Total payments	177,679	9,260	-	186,939	137,370
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 30,937	-	-	- 30,937	7,641
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	88,565	-	-	88,565	80,924
Cash funds this year end	57,629	-	-	57,629	88,565

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

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current Account	14,338	-	-
	Fundraising Account	22,941	-	-
	Deposit Account	20,349	-	-
	Total cash funds	57,629	-	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))				

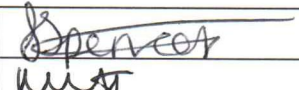

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Capitalised equipment	Unrestricted	8,339	-
	Capitalised building enhancements	Unrestricted	30,974	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities	Wages related Costs	Unrestricted	1,382	within 1 year
	Accountancy & IE	Unrestricted	1,668	within 1 year
	General Creditors	Unrestricted	3,583	within 1 year
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	JOANNE SPENCER	10/6/24
	Melissa Twitchell	10/6/24