



Milton Mount Playgroup

Milton Mount Playgroup Milton Mount Community Centre, Milton Mount Avenue, Pound Hill, Crawley RH10 3DY T: 01293 884312 www.miltonmountplaygroup.co.uk

Trustees Annual Report – September 2023 – August 2024

Trustees;

- Chairperson – Terri-Anne Busbridge (appointed 08/10/23)
- Secretary – Hannah Cawley (appointed 20/11/23)
- Treasurer – Sian May (appointed 08/10/23)
- Trustee – Alina May (appointed 04/01/24)
- Trustee – Hanna Bodkin (appointed 08/10/23)
- Trustee – Francesca Montana (appointed 31/7/24)
- Trustee – Lisa Rowland (stepped down 31/7/24)
- Trustee - Rebecca Joseph (stepped down 31/7/24)

The constitution

The playgroup committee is formed as a management team to support and aid the staff and management of the setting. The committee is perceived as the employer and is the registered person with Ofsted and other regulatory bodies. The committee is formed by a minimum of 5 members. Decisions are taken via a democratic process, whereby a vote is taken. The Model Constitution as issued by the Preschool Learning Alliance is used as a basis for operation and is signed and accepted by all committee members.

Financial Position

The playgroup's financial position remains stable. Fund raising is beginning to take off again with a very enthusiastic new committee. Significant investments have been made through the year to ensure that equipment remains serviceable and suitable. New toys have been purchased to fill gaps in the selection available, ensuring we are able to meet the individual development needs of all the children. Staff costs have also increased significantly year on

year. Pensions have also influenced our financial position. This is as a result on growing numbers of children attending the playgroup and the need to ensure that staff: child ratios are maintained. Staff turnover has been high, and it has been very challenging to recruit new staff. We have also looked to ensure that all staff are qualified to Level 3 where possible, again reflected in the cost.

Objective and Aims

Ongoing plans for the coming financial year will be to focus on fundraising to further enhance the quality and range of toys available to the children. The garden will benefit from new storage cupboards. We continue to take children from the age of two, which has implications in terms of staffing and resources, as these need to be matched carefully to meet the needs of the younger children. We are seeing a lot more children needing additional support. We continue to invest in staff training and development, including ensuring staff gain a greater understanding of the Early Years Management and Recruitment. The chairperson and playgroup manager work closely together to ensure the smooth running of the playgroup, each focusing on areas of expertise. The playgroup manager continues to manage the day-to-day functioning of the playgroup, whilst the chair and committee focus on providing support where needed. The playgroup is focused on employing committed and qualified staff, few of which are available in the local market and recruiting staff is becoming very difficult. We employ a range of full and part time staff and have recently taken on an apprentice. The team is strong and work well together effectively.

Reported by

Chairperson:

Terri-Anne Busbridge

MILTON MOUNT PLAYGROUP**RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS 2012/13**

	Sep-23	Oct-23	Nov-23	Dec-23	Jan-24
	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME					
Fees & registration	1647.25	3832.00	1838.00	265.00	5206.08
Snack donations	124.00	0.00	66.00	5.00	106.00
Other	0.00	0.00	125.61	86.40	11.40
Uniform Sales	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Fundraising & events	80.00	0.00	107.85	537.00	0.00
Funding	0.00	22001.76	0.00	29147.79	0.00
Vouchers	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
TOTAL INCOME	1851.25	25833.76	2137.46	30041.19	5323.48
EXPENDITURE					
Salaries	7602.21	8246.65	9503.31	8287.86	8937.33
NEST Pension	450.17	446.68	468.55	581.21	446.82
HMRC	1089.04	726.88	0.00	1143.37	835.49
Rent	0.00	2325.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Insurance	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Telephone	34.36	34.66	34.36	53.96	52.08
Admin costs	53.40	788.74	88.40	30.00	68.84
Ofsted	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Training & recruitment	285.00	234.00	0.00	0.00	43.20
Equipment	0.00	0.00	300.00	0.00	114.00
Other	0.00	517.94	0.00	0.00	163.82
Uniform purchases	113.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	45.45
Cash & groceries	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Special events	0.00	0.00	0.00	250.00	0.00
petty cash	192.00	0.00	41.00	200.00	66.00
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	9819.68	13320.55	10435.62	10546.40	10773.03
OPENING BALANCE	39123.33	31154.90	43668.11	35369.95	54864.74
NET INCOME	-7968.43	12513.21	-8298.16	19494.79	-5449.55
CLOSING BALANCE	31154.90	43668.11	35369.95	54864.74	49415.19

Feb-24	Mar-24	Apr-24	May-24	Jun-24	Jul-24	Aug-24	TOTAL
£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
3200.25	1773.98	1885.37	1151.00	2302.75	762.75	0.00	23864.43
33.00	34.00	34.00	6.00	11.00	3.00	0.00	422.00
107.40	61.38	176.40	57.40	51.40	161.40	14.40	853.19
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	10.00	28.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	762.85
14074.65	0.00	41186.37	0.00	21264.27	37482.36	0.00	165157.20
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
17415.30	1879.36	43310.14	1214.40	23629.42	38409.51	14.40	191059.67
8497.72	9209.02	9287.44	9524.14	9446.42	10855.06	9618.10	109015.26
440.44	412.45	442.42	473.46	478.91	484.27	612.20	5737.58
940.33	762.54	777.58	1050.07	1062.53	1160.05	1685.20	11233.08
0.00	8698.80	1479.68	2903.60	0.00	3320.50	0.00	18727.58
0.00	0.00	878.93	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	878.93
34.68	34.36	37.07	37.07	37.43	37.73	37.07	464.83
66.82	142.85	48.76	48.76	48.76	128.75	307.56	1821.64
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	562.20
247.20	0.00	1820.37	60.54	1895.72	5525.95	545.21	10508.99
0.00	42.59	5050.00	75.00	200.00	2120.84	0.00	8170.19
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	158.95
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	700.00	318.49	0.00	1268.49
101.00	59.98	303.26	0.00	218.00	0.00	0.00	1181.24
10328.19	19362.59	20125.51	14172.64	14137.77	23951.64	12805.34	169778.96
49415.19	56502.30	39019.07	62203.70	49245.46	58737.11	73194.98	39123.33
7087.11	-17483.23	23184.63	-12958.24	9491.65	14457.87	-12790.94	21280.71
56502.30	39019.07	62203.70	49245.46	58737.11	73194.98	60404.04	60404.04

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CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name

MILTON MOUNT PLAY GROUP.

On accounts for the year
ended

31ST AUGUST 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1047936

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD/MM/YYYY.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

28/04/2025

Name:

AMGS BRISLEY

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body

(if any):

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.

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