

**Charity No. 1048513**

**Walton Under 5's Toddler and Pre-school Group**

**Annual Report 2023-2024**

<b><u>Charity</u></b>	Walton Under 5's Toddler and Pre-School Group
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<b><u>Governing Document</u></b>	PLA Constitution 2011 (adopted October 2020)
<b><u>Objectives</u></b>	To enhance the development and education of children primarily under the statutory school age
<b><u>Area of Benefit</u></b>	Providing education for a rural location and surrounding area
<b><u>Area of Operation</u></b>	Charity operates in locations in England and Wales  SOMERSET – MENDIP – WALTON
<b><u>Registration History</u></b>	08 August 1995 Registered
<b><u>Classification</u></b>	<b>What:</b> Education/Training  <b>Who:</b> Children/Young People
<b><u>Committee/Trustees</u></b>	Kay Aldous (Chairperson - as of October 2024) Carly Cox (Treasurer - as of October 2024) Tracy Bishop (Secretary) Kirsty Summers Megan Applegate Oliver Jones Sula Jones

The Chairperson of the Walton under Fives Toddler and Pre-School Group presents the following report on behalf of the committee:

### **Structure Governance and Management**

We adopt the Pre-School Learning Alliance Constitution 2011. (Updated at our AGM in October 2020).

The Pre-school is committee/trustee led. The Trustee appointments are reviewed annually at the AGM. Committee members/trustees are past and present parents of children who attend the Pre-School.

In August 2023, the Committee decided to restructure the Pre-School staffing following the resignation of Cassie Needle, the Pre-School Manager. The Committee believed the restructure was in the best interests of the Pre-School from both operational and financial perspectives.

From the existing staff, the Committee assigned 4 roles to manage the Pre-School on a day-to-day basis:

- 2 Joint Supervisors (each with an additional responsibility, one for Safeguarding and one for SENCO)
- 2 Early Years Practitioners

All our staff are qualified to NVQ3 level apart from one who is NVQ2 trained. The restructure has been a great success and the Pre-School runs smoothly and without incident.

In the event of emergencies or staff sickness, where the current staff are unable to cover, we use bank staff and parent volunteers. All staff and volunteers are DBS checked.

Training for the committee/trustee members is provided by Somerset County Council and other outside agencies e.g. Fire Service and British Red Cross. We also use NoodleNow online for staff and committee training.

We are inspected by Ofsted and meet the code of practice as set out by the Council.

The Pre-School is situated in Walton Village Hall; this helps to keep us at the centre of the community. We extend our thanks to the Walton Village Hall Trust for their continued support of the Pre-School. Risk assessments of the building and activities fall in line with our Ofsted requirements.

## **Financial Report**

The Pre-School made a profit of £18,823 up to August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024.

Please see the attached accounts for full details.

## **Objectives and activities**

To enhance the development and education of children primarily under the statutory school age

## **Achievements and performance**

In March 2023, OFSTED conducted an inspection of the Pre-School, the first since July 2017 when it received a 'Good' rating. The Pre-School was awarded an 'Outstanding' rating.

The outcome of the OFSTED report set everyone involved up for continued success in this year, which we have felt through the optimism and dedication of our hard-working staff and committee volunteers.

The Pre-School is in the strongest financial position it has experienced in many years. Our fundraising efforts to-date have contributed to the planned investment in the renovation of the outdoor learning space during 2025, providing the children with a safe and engaging environment to enhance their development. We are all very proud of this achievement and thank our fantastic staff and volunteers for all of their hard work.

The Pre-School's reputation has gone from strength to strength, putting us in high standing within the Community and ensuring we have new families joining us on a regular basis.

We look forward to continued success and further growth next year.

**WALTON UNDER FIVES  
ANNUAL ACCOUNTS  
PROFIT & LOSS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

	<b>2023/24</b>	<b>2022/23</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>INCOME</b>		
Local Authority Funding	51799	54407
Pre-School Fees/Lunches	8084	11618
Raffle & fundraising Income	3018	2374
Grants/Donations	205	648
Other	0	20
Bank Interest	174	53
	<u>63,280</u>	<u>69,120</u>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
Salaries	35845	50053
Consumables	138	1750
Training & Travel	0	855
Food & Drink	192	339
Sweatshirts/T Shirts/ Bags	0	135
Hygiene	149	109
Postage	37	4
Stationery & Printing Ink	96	146
Advertising	0	177
Telephone	0	0
Misc	40	47
Items funded by grant	205	0
Fundraising Expenses	145	479
Offsted Registration Fee	50	50
Membership/Website Fees	763	432
Rent	4985	4804
Maintenance	0	318
Insurance	894	862
Book keeping & Accountancy	771	775
Fixtures & fittings	147	143
	<u>44457</u>	<u>61478</u>
<b>NET PROFIT/(LOSS)</b>	<u>18,823</u>	<u>7,642</u>

**WALTON UNDER FIVES  
ANNUAL ACCOUNTS  
BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 AUGUST 2023**

	<b>Note</b>	<b>31-Aug-24 £</b>	<b>31-Aug-23 £</b>
<b>Fixed assets</b>	<b>*1</b>	840	812
<b>Current assets</b>			
Debtors		50	492
Bank: current account		38787	19306
Bank: bonus account		12828	12655
Petty Cash		399	205
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Creditors and accruals		-610	0
<b>Net Assets</b>		<u>52,293</u>	<u>33,470</u>
<b>P&amp;L Account Reserve</b>			
B/Fwd as at 1 Sept 2022		33470	25,828
(Loss)/Profit for year		<u>18823</u>	<u>7,642</u>
		<u>52,293</u>	<u>33,470</u>

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

**1 FIXED ASSETS**

Cost at 1 Sept 23	6,563
Additions	<u>175</u>
	<u>6,738</u>
Depreciation at 1 Sept 23	5,751
Charge for period	<u>147</u>
	<u>5,898</u>
Net Book Value as at 31 Aug 24	<u>840</u>



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name  
WALTON UNDER FIVES

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 AUGUST 2024

Charity no  
(if any) 1048513

Set out on pages

(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 31/08/2024.

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

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:

- 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.

Signed:

Date: 10/02/2025

Name:

KERRY BROUGHTON

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qualification(s) or body  
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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.