

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From

Period start date

Day Month Year
01 09 2020

To Period end date

Day Month Year
31 08 2021

Charity name **Applecroft Pre-School**

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) **1059313**

Charity's principal address

Applecroft Road

Luton

Postcode

LU2 8BB

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 Vicky McCombe	Chairperson	Oct 2019 – Oct 2021	
2 Louise Amos	Treasurer	Oct 2019 – Oct 2021	
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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

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

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Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

Constitution

How the charity is constituted
(eg. trust, association, company)

Unincorporated charity / Committee run.

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

Trustees are selected from parents/carers at the AGM to form a committee. The committee appoints new Trustees and Volunteers who are voted in or step down at the AGM in October.

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.

The charity is a member of the Early Years Alliance, which provides information, advice and training to childcare providers and campaigns to influence early years policy and practice.

The pre-school setting works closely with The Scouts Falkes Association as we lease the Scout Hut as the location for running the pre-school. The charity also has strong links and dialogue with local primary schools to ensure a successful transition from pre-school to reception class.

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

To enhance the development and education of children primarily under statutory school age by encouraging parents to understand and provide for the needs of their children through community groups.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this

The charity's main activity is to run Applecroft Pre-School which provides high quality education through play and childcare for children aged between 2 and 4.

section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The Trustees carry out various local fundraising activities to support income from the charity's core activities.

In planning activities, the Trustees have kept in mind the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit at our Trustee meetings.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

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

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

All Trustees gave their time voluntarily and received no remuneration or other benefits. The Trustees have an annual programme of fundraising activities, which they undertake with the help of volunteers from the local community and parents/carers of children who attend the pre-school. These include selling drinks and hot food at the pre-schools summer fete and Christmas fayre and selling raffle tickets with prizes donated by parents/carers/local shops and businesses.

Due to COVID-19 the usual fundraising activities were cancelled apart from small colouring competitions etc. for the children all based within the childcare setting.

during the year

development within the EYFS framework.

We offer a safe, fun and stimulating environment in which children can learn through play. Children have opportunities to grow emotionally as well as physically, to develop their communication and language skills and to increase their self confidence and self-awareness in preparation for starting primary school.

Due to COVID-19 the restrictions on social activities our main fundraising events were cancelled.

Brief statement of the

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The trustees aim to hold a minimum of £15,000 in reserves to meet unforeseen expenditure, losses due to unexpected closures, to cover

charity's policy on reserves

sudden reductions in fee income due to changing childcare requirements and to cover terminal obligations if the pre-school were to close permanently.

Unfortunately, due to fraud committed against the preschool in January 2020 we do not currently have a contingency fund but are working hard to build this up as soon as possible.

Details of any funds materially in deficit**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.

The charity's principal source of funds is from the government schemes and due to the pandemic usual fundraising opportunities were not available. The charity continues to receive fees from non-funded children which has helped the charity recover from loss of reserves due to fraud.

The charity is still recovering from the fraud committed against the preschool but the impacts are being successfully managed and financial compensation is now being paid back to the charity via the Court.

There have been increased costs due to inflation, cost in rent and consumables but these are being managed well.

Provided the situation continues to improve and government financial support continues to be available there is no reason that the charity cannot continue as a going concern.

Section F Other optional information

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

L. Wynard

S. E. Oliver

Full name(s)

LORRAINE WYNARD

SHARON ELIZABETH OLIVER

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

TREASURER

MANAGER

Date

15/09/22



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

1059313

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

Period start date
01/09/2020

To

Period end date
31/08/2021

Section A Receipts and payments

Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £

A1 Receipts

Grant income	65,185	-	-	65,185	57,381
Other fees received	21,718	-	-	21,718	10,890
Fundraising	2,242	-	-	2,242	217
Other income	6,264	-	-	6,264	17
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	95,409	-	-	95,409	68,505

A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).

	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Total receipts	95,409	-	-	95,409	68,505
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A3 Payments

Staff costs	99,244	-	-	99,244	99,663
Training	-	-	-	-	376
Rent	9,106	-	-	9,106	8,087
Events and activities	598	-	-	598	936
Uniform	244	-	-	244	318
Equipment	548	-	-	548	873
Insurance	869	-	-	869	781
Admin and office costs	1,369	-	-	1,369	1,892
Professional fees	-	-	-	-	360
Repairs and maintenance	300	-	-	300	590
Sundry Costs	651	-	-	651	749
Other	-	-	-	-	17,311
Sub total	112,929	-	-	112,929	131,936

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)

	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-

Total payments	112,929	-	-	112,929	131,936
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Net of receipts/(payments)	- 17,520	-	-	- 17,520	- 63,431
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A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
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A6 Cash funds last year end	29,589	-	-	29,589	93,020
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Cash funds this year end	12,069	-	-	12,069	29,589
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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	Bank current account	12,069	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	12,069	-	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

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

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

Categories	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

Categories	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
<i>L. Wynard</i>	LORRAINE WYNARD	15/09/22
<i>S. E. Oliver</i>	SHARON ELIZABETH OLIVER	15/09/22



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Applecroft Pre-School

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 August 2021

**Charity no
(if any)**

1059313

Set out on pages

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/08/2021.

**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: 14.06.22

Name:

Alan Endersby

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

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Address:

Streets S J Males Limited, Basepoint Business & Innovation Centre,
110 Butterfield, Luton LU2 8DL

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.

None.