



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date		Period end date	
From	01 09 2023	To	31 08 2024

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name **Worthington Pre-school Group**

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) **1060873**

Charity's principal address

Main Street

Worthington

Ashby-de-la-Zouch

Postcode

LE65 1RQ

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	Ms E Fletcher	Chair	Whole Year	
2	Mrs J Bryant	Treasurer	Whole Year	
3	Mrs E Myres		Whole Year	
4	Mrs J Scott-Blore	Secretary	Whole Year	
5	Mrs C Jones		Whole Year	
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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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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

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

Constitution

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

Trust

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

Appointed by committee members by election at AGM (two nominations required for each trustee)

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.

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Section C Objectives and activities

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

Our charitable objects are to enhance the development and education of children 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 section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Our philosophy is to create a friendly, family like atmosphere so that our children feel relaxed and able to freely express themselves.

As a registered charity run by a committee of local volunteers, including parents of children in pre-school, we understand the needs of our local community. We strive to provide high quality affordable care and education so that our children get the best possible start in their educational life.

The trustees confirm that they have paid due regard to the guidance issued by the Charities Commission on public benefit in deciding which activities the charity should undertake.

We know the cost of childcare can be prohibitive and that is why we keep our fees low and help parents to access free funding for their child where possible. This aids parents to be able to attend work safe in the knowledge that their child will receive the best possible play and learning experience within their local community.

We also provide a safe play and learning environment for children of pre-school age to develop their social and communication skills that they may not have the benefit of accessing without our assistance.

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.

We are Ofsted regulated and were rated as 'Good' in our last inspection in September 2024. You can read the full report on the Ofsted website.

Our aims and objectives are clear and focused on allowing every child in our care to achieve their potential. We aim to:

- Provide high quality care and education for children below statutory school age
- Embrace the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) and use it as the basis of our approach to early learning and development
- Work in partnership with parents to help children to learn and develop
- Ensure that each child is in a safe and stimulating environment
- Offer children and their parents a service that promotes quality and values diversity

Our staff are friendly, dedicated, enthusiastic and truly care about delivering the best quality of care for our children. They work with parents to tailor their child's care to ensure that each child feels safe and able to play and learn. Our staff also organise fun activities for the children and parents such as the pre-school sports day and festive activities.

Our dedicated staff are assisted by a committee of volunteers who give up their time to assist with fund raising efforts, providing support and guidance and effectively governing the organisation.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**Achievements and Performance**

Worthington preschool continues to be a well-loved childcare setting that serves the local and wider community. We now have children come to our setting from much further afield.

This year we have provided childcare for 25 children.

We have taken on a new staff member who has added a wealth of knowledge to the team and has made the valued team even stronger.

Our SEND provision is now one of our strongest points with us working closely with professionals and parents to build up our knowledge of how best to support children requiring additional support.

We continue to provide a wide range of fun, exciting and educational activities and prepare the children for their next steps in their education.

We worked towards preparation for an expected Ofsted inspection which was carried out in September 2024, just after the end of the financial year. We received a 'Good' rating and a positive report which outlined how we support the children in our care and how much the children and parents clearly love the setting.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The charity completed the year with a reserve of £18,321 after investment in the facilities and the provision of services. The Charity adheres to a reserves policy that requires a minimum reserve equivalent to three months operating costs (current approximate required reserve is £17,200 for the current year). The current reserves will be invested with a proportion set aside for the development of the Charity's facilities and to protect against periods of low revenue, especially in the Autumn term, where historically the pre-school receives reduced income. The trustees will determine the appropriate value of reserves to be retained based upon the Charity's forward financial projections and risk analysis.

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.

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)	Ms Elizabeth Fletcher	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	18 th April 2025	




Worthington Pre-school Group			1060873	CC16a
Receipts and payments accounts				
For the period from	Period start date 01/09/2023	To	Period end date 31/08/2024	

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					
Early Years' Funding	50,705	-	-	50,705	54,597
Fees	15,006	-	-	15,006	15,403
Donations	400	-	-	400	547
Interest	31	-	-	31	47
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	66,142	-	-	66,142	70,594
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	66,142	-	-	66,142	70,594
A3 Payments					
Staff Costs	58,578	-	-	58,578	62,098
Insurance & Affiliations	1,528	-	-	1,528	2,606
Snacks, Supplies & Equipment	740	-	-	740	1,267
Rent & Rates	1,464	-	-	1,464	1,502
Maintenance	2,452	-	-	2,452	1,735
Admin Costs	677	-	-	677	2,060
Enrichment Activities	-	-	-	-	222
Training	252	-	-	252	-
Meals	2,746	-	-	2,746	2,423
Utilities	1,840	-	-	1,840	1,753
Sub total	70,277	-	-	70,277	75,667
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	70,277	-	-	70,277	75,667
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 4,135	-	-	- 4,135	- 5,073
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	22,456	-	-	22,456	27,529
Cash funds this year end	18,321	-	-	18,321	22,456

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	18,298	-	-
	Petty Cash	23	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	18,321	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees		Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
			ELIZABETH FLETCHER	15 th Jan 2025



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Worthington Pre-school Group

On accounts for the year
ended

31st August 2024

Charity no
(if any)

1060873

Set out on pages

Six and Seven

(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 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 (~~other than that disclosed below *~~) 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.

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

Signed:

Claire Andrews

Date:

23/4/25

Name:

CLAIRE ANDREWS

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

*ASSOCIATE CHARTERED MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTANT
(CIMA) - 1-49 HMW*

Address:

*304 BEACON ROAD
LOUGHBOROUGH
LE11 2RD*

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.