



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From: 1 Sep 2024 **Period start date** **To:** 31 Aug 2025 **Period end date**

Charity name: MULBERRY PRE-SCHOOL

Charity registration number: 1062690

Objectives and Activities

| | SORP reference | |
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| Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document | Para 1.17 | Provide early years education for children aged 2 years to school age. |
| Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts. | Para 1.17 and 1.19 | Early years education |
| Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit | Para 1.18 | All trustees keep themselves up to date with all Charity Commission guidelines. |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

| | SORP reference | |
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| Policy on grant making | Para 1.38 | |
| Policy on social investment including program related investment | Para 1.38 | |
| Contribution made by volunteers | Para 1.38 | |
| Other | | |

Achievements and Performance

| | SORP reference | |
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| Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole. | Para 1.20 | Enhanced the education and social skills of children aged 2 years to school age from a wide range of ethnic backgrounds. |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| Achievements against objectives set | Para 1.41 | |
| Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set | Para 1.41 | |
| Investment performance against objectives | Para 1.41 | |
| Other | | |

Financial Review

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| Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period | Para 1.21 | We are in a better position financially this year. |
| Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held | Para 1.22 | We maintain reserves in order to pay redundancies should the setting close. These reserves are also used for the upkeep of the pre-school building. |
| Amount of reserves held | Para 1.22 | £32650 |
| Reasons for holding zero reserves | Para 1.22 | n/a |
| Details of fund materially in deficit | Para 1.24 | n/a |
| Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern | Para 1.23 | If the funding for 3-4 year olds does not increase and keep in line with increases in minimum/living wage rates and NI rates then we will always struggle to remain sustainable. |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising) | Para 1.47 | The majority of our children now receive some government funding (15 universal hours for all 3-4 year olds and 30 working parents funding hours extended). We also run fundraising events and apply for grants to cover everything not covered by the inadequate funding rates. |
| Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted | Para 1.46 | |
| A description of the principal risks facing the charity | Para 1.46 | |
| Other | | |

Structure, Governance and Management

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| Description of charity's trusts: | | |
| Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter) | Para 1.25 | Early Years Alliance constitution |
| How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO) | Para 1.25 | Follow the Early Years Alliance constitution |
| Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees | Para 1.25 | Nominated or volunteered at an AGM, voted on by members. |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees | Para 1.51 | |
| The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works | Para 1.51 | |
| Relationship with any related parties | Para 1.51 | |
| Other | | |

Reference and Administrative details

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| Charity name | Mulberry Pre-School |
| Other name the charity uses | |
| Registered charity number | 1062690 |
| Charity's principal address | Mulberry Pre-School Mulberry Road Marchwood Southampton SO40 4WB |
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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 | Paul Whiting | Chairperson | - present | |
| 2 | Simone Pattison | Secretary | Nov 21 - present | |
| 3 | Josh Addison | Vice Chairperson | 18 Oct 21 – present | |
| 4 | Kerry Mackay-Carey | Treasurer | Nov 21 – present | |
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

[illegible]

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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| Description of the assets held in this capacity | n/a |
| Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects | n/a |
| Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets | n/a |

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

| Type of adviser | Name | Address |
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Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

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| Signature(s) | <i>SCPattison</i> | |
| Full name(s) | Simone Pattison | |
| Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc) | Secretary | |
| Date | 3 rd June 2026 | |

MULBERRY PRE-SCHOOL END OF YEAR ACCOUNTS

SEPTEMBER 2024 - AUGUST 2025

INCOME

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| Donation |
| Fees |
| Fundraising |
| Grants RESTRICTED FUNDS |
| HCC Funding (incl DAF and EYPP) |
| Nursery Milk refund |
| SENIF funding (one to one) RESTRICTED FUNDS |
| Uniform sales |
| Other |

TOTAL INCOME EXPENDITURE

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| Art Consumables |
| DAF & EYPP resources |
| Donation |
| Early Years Alliance (PLA) |
| Fees reimbursement |
| Fundraising expenditure & purchases |
| Grants* |
| Insurance |
| Kitchen & toilet consumables |
| Lease |
| Milk |
| Office equipment |
| Ofsted registration |
| Pensions (auto enrolment admin) |
| Postage |
| Pre-school equipment |
| Printer (office) consumables |
| Property enhancement |
| Property/equipment maintenance |
| Resources |
| SAGE payroll |
| SENIF funding (equipment,not wages) |
| Snacks |
| Stationery |
| Tapestry |
| Tax & NI (HMRC) |
| Telephone (including internet) |
| Training/course fees |
| Uniform expenditure |
| Utilities - electric |
| Utilities - gas |
| Wages |
| Other (website, Microsoft) |

| 2024.2025 | 2023.2024 |
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| £1,077.80 | £597.00 |
| £27,249.81 | £37,610.33 |
| £1,497.80 | £2,688.92 |
| £15,297.98 | £16,175.00 |
| £135,483.69 | £126,646.08 |
| £217.30 | £266.65 |
| £3,448.80 | |
| £516.60 | £506.45 |
| £430.93 | £2,056.69 |
| £185,220.71 | £186,547.12 |
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| £117.51 | £184.59 |
| £273.18 | £1,038.44 |
| £1,000.00 | £0.00 |
| £175.00 | £115.91 |
| £79.06 | £116.60 |
| £673.74 | £2,592.89 |
| £647.98 | £16,134.87 |
| £1,216.65 | £1,022.49 |
| £647.81 | £570.09 |
| £0.00 | £2,625.00 |
| £227.60 | £266.65 |
| £55.24 | £15.40 |
| £50.00 | £50.00 |
| £3,595.20 | £2,427.46 |
| £1.55 | £0.00 |
| £346.14 | £107.47 |
| £49.75 | £37.56 |
| £36,976.92 | £300.00 |
| £1,332.13 | £5,821.47 |
| £550.28 | £425.47 |
| £510.00 | £459.84 |
| £134.95 | £0.00 |
| £731.01 | £481.58 |
| £53.40 | £6.77 |
| £231.00 | £210.00 |
| £11,503.38 | £8,255.01 |
| £475.91 | £1,891.58 |
| £862.00 | £763.20 |
| £566.00 | £793.91 |
| £972.48 | £854.00 |
| £950.05 | £1,368.03 |
| £142,120.64 | £122,651.73 |
| £611.35 | £346.92 |
| £207,737.91 | £171,934.93 |
| -£22,517.20 | £14,612.19 |

TOTAL EXPENDITURE

Excess of income over expenditure



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
MULBERRY PRE-SCHOOL

On accounts for the year
ended

31ST AUGUST 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1062690

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 / 2025

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:

SZwells

Date:

22-04-2026

Name:

SONIA PATTI WELLS

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

Address:

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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.