



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Wix and Wrabness Pre School

On accounts for the year
ended

2022-2023

Charity no
(if any)

1067140

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended

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:

Date:

19/12/23

Name:

Vicky Turner

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

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Wix & Wrabness Pre-School annual report 2022/2023

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Chair Report 2022-2023

2022 has seen the preschool getting back to normal since covid and making the most of all resources to support the children and families in the community.

Carleen and the staff have once again gone from strength to strength with the preschool and this was shown with the Outstanding OFSTED report that they received in March 2022. I understand that it is never an easy time for the staff and the pressure can feel intense but as a committee there was no doubt that the staff deserved an outstanding with the commitment and time they give to the children and their families every day. I just want to say another well done and thank you to all the staff.

Finances have obviously still been concerns from the comeback from COVID and the increase in the rent for the preschool. But we are running at a small loss at the moment however can come back on track through the remainder of the year.

I would just like to say a massive thank you to the management team Carleen and Abby for the great job over the past year they hold the preschool together and without them and the staff it wouldn't be the amazing place that it is.

All policies and procedures are up to date at present.

The lease for the preschool has finally been sent over from Essex county council and we will work through this as a committee and return to Essex county council. We will be looking at a longer lease however with an increase in rent and a change in conditions.

A major role of the committee is fundraising, and going forward this year I would like to be able to bring some more funds to the school with fundraising and grants where possible. I would like to remind you all that Wix and Wrabness preschool is a registered charity and without this type of fundraising your children would not have the environment they do today. We do need the support of all at the fundraising activities as it is vital to help us improve the facilities for the preschool and ultimately your children's future.

I think we will also need to consider other forms of fundraising in order to raise additional funds for the Preschool. One possible option would be

through sponsorship and donations however the small committee that we have would be grateful for any little help or support you can give even a little research and from filling would be helpful. We continue with the easy fundraising for when shopping online (see our website for details).

I would just like to say thank you again to the staff and all they do for the children and families that are at Wix and Wrabness It wouldn't be the same without every one of you.

Thank you.

Does anyone have any other questions?

Please feel free to contact me on.

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Manager's report 2022

After our amazing Ofsted inspection the previous month we returned to preschool after the Easter break eager to carry on the good work we have been doing. We were kept very busy with our new children starting and getting the older children ready for transition to their new reception classes-we welcomed their teachers in and gave the best handovers we could to ensure they had the best start to their school lives.

As the weather turned warmer we enjoyed lots of trips around the village to the fields and allotments, keeping an eye out for things that were growing and talking about what we had seen.

Our excellent partnership with parents continued culminating with our annual Summer picnic which was particularly fun as we had been unable to hold them the previous two years. They were also amazing in their support and we had incredible donations of various resources for the children to enjoy. We were also incredibly lucky to receive a cash donation from a local business which enabled us to invest in a brand new handmade muddy kitchen which was an instant hit with the children. It is a very much loved piece of equipment at preschool.

Autumn term arrived after a long summer break with a new group of children to replace the little ones who left us in Summer. They all settled in beautifully and we were soon in the swing of the new academic year. We enjoyed more trips out to see the changes of the season, pick blackberries and collect all the conkers from the trees in the field. As always the term passed by so quickly and we were soon celebrating Christmas with a big Christmas party in the village hall. It was so lovely to have so many parents come along and help us. We were also lucky to have a visit from a local theatre group who did a puppet show for the children.

Sadly we did say goodbye to a much loved member of staff who retired to look after her grandson- there were many tears and we still miss her.

We started recruiting a new member of staff and after a long search we found the perfect person to join our team in January. We also took on a level 2 apprentice and are supporting her through her studies.

Our waiting list for upcoming terms is getting bigger every month and we are hopeful that the future of preschool is, for the time being, fairly secure. With the rise in so many costs we are having to watch our spending however this is in no way affecting the approach we have to supporting our many families.

Treasurers report 2022/3

The whole financial year has held its own with a profit of over £12000 in the 12 month period which was a lot better than expectations. During this period we have been paying the staged payment requests from County for rent on a previous nonrental position this is staged over the next few years.

The rent impact will resonate throughout the charity and will drive session prices higher along with the energy rises which are out of control currently.

Thankfully we had a high uptake during the year and took on another member of staff to cater for the amount of children.

Overall the business is growing with multiple local nursery closures places here are a good place for parents to trust.

63% of the charities income goes directly to wages the remainder ensures we keep at the pinnacle of what we do and remain an outstanding rated setting.

We are bracing ourselves for a roof repair which has been needed for a few months and other ongoing maintenance to the old demountable classrooms.

At the current grow speed we may need to take on another member of staff to help with the volume of children this may be in the form of an apprentice,

The management team and all the staff make this setting what it is and without even one of those key people this would just be a mediocre pre school.

Clive Wiggins

Treasurer

2022/2023 Financial period

| | 2022/2023 | 2021/2022 | 2020/2021 | 2019/2020 |
|--------------------------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| | £ | | £ | £ |
| <u>Income</u> | | | | |
| ECC Funding | 90862 | 59520 | 57516 | 73122 |
| Fees | 24941 | 20917 | 4490 | 14902 |
| Job Retention Scheme 2020 | 0 | 4648 | 18653 | 0 |
| Uniform | 0 | | 0 | 0 |
| Donations | 961 | | 0 | 1624 |
| Misc | 2117 | 3644 | 443 | 145 |
| Total Income | 118881 | 88728 | 81102 | 89794 |
| <u>Expenditure</u> | | | | |
| Staff Wages | 70199 | 64367 | 61503 | 65552 |
| Pension | 3006 | 2906 | 2248 | 1892 |
| PAYE | 5681 | 4434 | 3599 | 3835 |
| Rent | 4400 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Rates | 686 | 110 | 0 | 675 |
| Insurance | 2600 | 2305 | 2211 | 2294 |
| Phone/Internet | 1126 | 969 | 764 | 757 |
| Subscriptions | 278 | 75 | 46 | 554 |
| Utilitys(Electric&Water) | 4220 | 3046 | 1402 | 3694 |
| Advertising | 109 | 75 | 526 | 60 |
| Equipment | 1819 | 2619 | 2880 | 2075 |
| Resources | 683 | 964 | 939 | 1837 |
| Stationary | 133 | 140 | 134 | 589 |
| Courses(Staff) | 540 | 462 | 536 | 1026 |
| Food | 1859 | 960 | 478 | 1278 |
| Cleaning | 872 | 550 | 261 | 388 |
| Premises | 620 | 27 | 802 | 950 |
| Staff Uniform Costs | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Uniform(Childrens) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Postage | 10 | 0 | 36 | 0 |
| Printer | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Misc | 5793 | 6128 | 3743 | 6698 |
| School Dinners | 1520 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Expenditure | 106154 | 90136 | 82109 | 94155 |
| Income Less Expenditure | 12,727 | (1,408) | (1,007) | (4,361) |

Total Funds as at 31st March 2023

Fund-raising Account £484.46

Current Account £19344.18

Deposit Account £6078.14

Cash In Hand £0

I have received the financial information for Wix and Wrabness Pre-School for year 2022/2023

I certify this is a fair and true representation of the financial affairs for Charity Number 1067140 Wix and Wrabness Pre-School

Vicky Juniper Honorary Reporting Accountant

