

BRAMBLE BEARS

England & Wales · Charity number 1072656

Details

Other names ASHWELLTHORPE PLAYGROUP

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1998-12-01

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

Contact

Address The Old Village Hall
57-59 The Street
Ashwellthorpe
Norwich
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Activities

Objects: TO ENHANCE THE DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION OF CHILDREN BELOW COMPULSORY SCHOOL AGE IN ASHWELLTHORPE VILLAGE A) PROVIDING SAFE AND SATISFYING GROUP PLAY, IN WHICH PARENTS HAVE THE RIGHT TO TAKE PARTB) ENCOURAGING OTHER CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES THROUGH WHICH PARENTS MAY HELP THE CHILDREN

Activities: PLAYGROUP FOR CHILDREN AGED 2 TO 5 YEARS.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** NOT DEFINED - IN PRACTICE ASHWELLTHORPE, NR NORWICH NORFOLK
- Norfolk

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-05-31	£78,551	£68,200	-	-
2024-05-31	£64,086	£58,642	-	-
2023-05-31	£66,868	£53,792	-	-
2022-05-31	£50,907	£56,052	-	-
2021-05-31	£53,501	£54,245	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Charlotte Anne Wood	Chair	2025-05-06
Bianca Rose Moller		2024-04-26
Claire Dougall		2024-04-26
Katherine Frost		2024-04-26
Katie Moore		2024-04-26
Rebekah Delf		2024-04-26

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	1	June	2024		31	May	2025

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

BRAMBLE BEARS PLAYGROUP

Other names charity is known by

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Registered charity number (if any)

1072656

Charity's principal address

The Old Village Hall	
57-59 The Street, Ashwellthorpe	
Norfolk	
Postcode	NR16 1AA

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	Christopher Lay	Chair		
2	Rebekah Delf	Secretary	1 June 2024 – 6 May 2025	
3	Rachel Bugg	Treasurer	1 June 2024 – 30 September 2024	
4	Katherine Frost	Secretary (from 6 May 2025)		
5	Bianca Muller	Treasurer (from 30 September 2024)		
6	Katie Moore			
7	Martin Bugg			
8	Claire Dougall			
9	Charlotte Wood		6 May 2025 – 31 May 2025	
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

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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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Additional governance issues (Optional information)

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Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

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- policy on grantmaking;
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Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The Charity continued to operate from its premises in Ashwellthorpe, using the old Village Hall.

In November 2022 we had an OFSTED Inspection and were graded GOOD in all areas which the Trustees were very pleased with.

The Trustees have worked very hard to ensure that the Charity has enough funds by fundraising.

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The Charity has plans to improve facilities such as the kitchen, outside play area and toilets. This will be reviewed with an eye to cost and priorities.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Charity aims to maintain a reserve of cash funds for contingency purposes.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

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- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
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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)

Charlotte Wood

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

13/03/2026



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Bramble Bears Playgroup

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31/05/2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1072656

Set out on pages

1 to 8

(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 31/05/2025.

**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 in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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- 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:

13/03/2026

Name:

Sam Jarrett

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

CIPFA Qualified

Address:

6, Mariners Lane, Norwich NR1 3AF



Charity Name Bramble Bears Playgroup	No (if any) 1072656
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Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/06/2024	To	Period end date 31/05/2025
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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					
Fees	15,255	-	-	15,255	20,271
Donations	-	-	-	-	1,634
Grants	62,374	-	-	62,374	41,769
Fundraising	697	-	-	697	236
Interest	225	-	-	225	178
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total <i>(Gross income for AR)</i>	78,551	-	-	78,551	64,086
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	78,551	-	-	78,551	64,086
A3 Payments					
Wages	54,203	-	-	54,203	46,628
Pension Costs	825	-	-	825	661
Cleaning	1,109	-	-	1,109	154
Utilities	1,315	-	-	1,315	1,934
Printing & Stationery	434	-	-	434	410
Hall Hire	3,020	-	-	3,020	2,400
Staff Expenses	157	-	-	157	1,435
Refreshments	672	-	-	672	174
Gifts	627	-	-	627	390
Outings					

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Shed	Unrestricted	-	-
	Laptop & Printer	Unrestricted	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	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
		Charlotte Wood	13/03/2026

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

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BRAMBLE BEARS PLAYGROUP

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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)



Full name(s)

CHRISTOPHER LAY

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

CHAIR

Date

25-2-25.



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Bramble Bears Playgroup

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31/05/2024

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Signed:

Date:

28/02/2025

Name:

Sam Jarrett

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

CIPFA Qualified

Address:

6, Mariners Lane, Norwich NR1 3AF


Receipts and payments accounts

For the period from	Period start date 01/06/2023	To	Period end date 31/05/2024
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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					
Fees	20,271	-	-	20,271	54,229
Donations	1,634	-	-	1,634	1,023
Grants	41,769	-	-	41,769	10,000
Fundraising	236	-	-	236	1,596
Interest	178	-	-	178	20
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	64,086	-	-	64,086	66,868
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	64,086	-	-	64,086	66,868
A3 Payments					
Wages	40,832	5,796	-	46,628	42,547
Pension Costs	661	-	-	661	1,949
Cleaning	154	-	-	154	464
Utilities	1,934	-	-	1,934	1,536
Printing & Stationery	410	-	-	410	374
Hall Hire	2,400	-	-	2,400	2,682
Staff Expenses	1,435	-	-	1,435	210
Refreshments	174	-	-	174	227
Gifts	390	-	-	390	314
Outings	520	-	-	520	265
Insurance	798	-	-	798	631
Fees	35	-	-	35	118
Accountancy	519	-	-	519	494
Consumables	1,197	-	-	1,197	798
Advertising	545	-	-	545	447
Telephone	251	-	-	251	333
Repairs	40	-	-	40	-
Computer Costs	466	-	-	466	404
Bank Charges	85	-	-	85	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	52,846	5,796	-	58,642	53,792
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	52,846	5,796	-	58,642	53,792
Net of receipts/(payments)	11,240	- 5,796	-	5,444	13,075
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	13,634	5,796	-	19,430	6,354
Cash funds this year end	24,874	-	-	24,874	19,430

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 Account	24,696	-	-
	Petty Cash	178	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	24,874	-	-
	(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 £
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		CHRIS LAY	28/2/25	

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date Period end date
 From 1 June 2022 To 31 May 2023

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The Trustees are of course very aware that finances are very tight indeed, and this is because the industry is struggling, especially with the increased costs of utilities, staff wages etc.

The Charity purchased more outside toys in order to help develop children's outside play.

Section E**Financial review****Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves**

The Charity aims to maintain a reserve of cash funds for contingency purposes.

The Charity received a Norfolk County Council Sustainability Grant and this is being monitored in accordance with the contract.

Details of any funds materially in deficit**Further financial review details (Optional information)**


You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

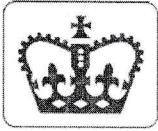
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Section F**Other optional information****Section G****Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Jules Mill	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	15 March 2024	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Bramble Bears Playgroup

On accounts for the year
ended

31/05/2023

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Signed:

Date:

16/02/2024

Name:

Sam Jarrett

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

CIPFA Qualified

Address:

6, Mariners Lane, Norwich NR1 3AF

Receipts and payments accounts

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 For the period
from

01/06/2022

To

31/05/2023

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					
Fees	54,229	-	-	54,229	49,430
Donations	1,023	-	-	1,023	240
Grants	-	10,000	-	10,000	1,236
Fundraising	1,596	-	-	1,596	1
Interest	20	-	-	20	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	56,868	10,000	-	66,868	50,907
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	56,868	10,000	-	66,868	50,907
A3 Payments					
Wages	38,342	4,204	-	42,547	44,297
Pension Costs	1,949	-	-	1,949	2,396
Cleaning	464	-	-	464	882
Utilities	1,536	-	-	1,536	983
Printing & Stationery	374	-	-	374	387
Hall Hire	2,682	-	-	2,682	2,450
Staff Expenses	210	-	-	210	174
Refreshments	227	-	-	227	314
Gifts	314	-	-	314	416
Outings	265	-	-	265	252
Insurance	631	-	-	631	567
Fees	118	-	-	118	165
Accountancy	494	-	-	494	434
Consumables	798	-	-	798	1,107
Advertising	447	-	-	447	-
Telephone	333	-	-	333	470
General Administrative Expenses	-	-	-	-	381
Computer Costs	404	-	-	404	377
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	49,588	4,204	-	53,792	56,052
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	49,588	4,204	-	53,792	56,052
Net of receipts/(payments)	7,280	5,796	-	13,075	5,146
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	6,354	-	-	6,354	11,500
Cash funds this year end	13,634	5,796	-	19,430	6,354

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 Account	19,430	-	-
	Petty Cash	-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	19,430	-	-

(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	Equipment	Unrestricted	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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
		JAMES MILK	15 March 24

BRAMBLE BEARS

England & Wales - Charity number 1072656

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date			Period end date			
From	1	June	2021	To	31	May	2022

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

BRAMBLE BEARS PLAYGROUP

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) **1072656**

Charity's principal address

Ashwellthorpe Village Hall

The Street, Ashwellthorpe

Norfolk

Postcode

NR16 1AA

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	James Milk	Chair		
2	Kym Tuffnell	Joint treasurer		
3	Jessica Burrett	Secretary		
4				
5	Rebecca Milk			
6	Alison Turner	Treasurer		
7	Elaine Thurlow		(from 18 th November 2021)	
8	Catherine Andrews		(from 18 th November 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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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution adopted 1 September 1998 (as amended 17 April 2013)
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Association
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	New Trustees are appointed by the Committee at the AGM except where resignations are made part way through the year and a replacement is needed.

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

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 and by a) providing safe and satisfying group play, in which parents have the right to take part and b) encourage other charitable activities through which parents may help the children.

The Playgroup provided childcare facilities for children aged 2-5 years in and around Ashwellthorpe Village and its surrounding areas during school terms time. The Playgroup offers funded places for 2 year olds and 3 & 4 year olds.

The Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the charity Commission on public benefit.

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)

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.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The Charity continued to operate from its premises in Ashwellthorpe, using the old Village Hall.

This made it viable for more children locally and with that flexibility the number of attendances has gradually increased, and we are seeing that year on year which is good. More advertising locally will help.

Friday are very quiet still and we think this is a change in working habits of parents since Covid-19. This will be reviewed periodically to see whether that day is viable going forward.

The Trustees have worked very hard to ensure that the Charity has enough funds and now Covid restrictions have lifted, fundraising in the future will be a lot easier.

The Charity purchased more outside toys in order to help develop children's outside play.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Charity aims to maintain a reserve of cash funds for contingency purposes.

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)

James Milk

Full name(s)

JAMES MILK

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

9th March 2023



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Bramble Bears Playgroup

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31/05/2022

**Charity no
(if any)**

1072656

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(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 31/05/2022.

**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:

10/03/2023

Name:

Sam Jarrett

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

CIPFA Qualified

Address:

6, Mariners Lane, Norwich NR1 3AF



Bramble Bears Playgroup

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Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/06/2021

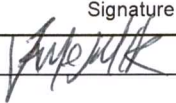
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31/05/2022

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					
Fees	49,430	-	-	49,430	47,073
Donations	240	-	-	240	2,624
Fundraising	1,236	-	-	1,236	32
Interest	1	-	-	1	2
Other	-	-	-	-	3,770
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	50,907	-	-	50,907	53,501
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	50,907	-	-	50,907	53,501
A3 Payments					
Wages	44,297	-	-	44,297	39,695
Pension Costs	2,396	-	-	2,396	1,930
Cleaning	882	-	-	882	460
Utilities	983	-	-	983	1,067
Printing & Stationery	387	-	-	387	262
Hall Hire	2,450	-	-	2,450	1,000
Staff Expenses	174	-	-	174	1,127
Refreshments	314	-	-	314	267
Gifts	416	-	-	416	253
Outings	252	-	-	252	124
Insurance	567	-	-	567	498
Fees	165	-	-	165	380
Accountancy	434	-	-	434	434
Consumables	1,107	-	-	1,107	2,177
Fundraising	-	-	-	-	-
Telephone	470	-	-	470	606
General Administrative Expenses	381	-	-	381	771
Computer Costs	377	-	-	377	365
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	56,052	-	-	56,052	51,418
A4 Asset and investment purchases (see table)					
Equipment	-	-	-	-	2,828
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	2,828
Total payments	56,052	-	-	56,052	54,245
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 5,146	-	-	- 5,146	- 744
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	11,500	-	-	11,500	12,244
Cash funds this year end	6,354	-	-	6,354	11,500

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 Account	6,354	-	-
	Petty Cash	0	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	6,354	-	-
	<small>(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))</small>			
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	-	-	-
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		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	-	-	-
	Equipment	Unrestricted	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	-	-	-
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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
		JAMES MIRK	9 March 23	

BRAMBLE BEARS

England & Wales - Charity number 1072656

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date		Period end date	
From	1 June 2020	To	31 May 2021

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

BRAMBLE BEARS PLAYGROUP

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1072656

Charity's principal address

Ashwellthorpe Village Hall

The Street, Ashwellthorpe

Norfolk

Postcode

NR16 1AA

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	James Milk	Chair		
2	Kym Tuffnell	Treasurer (ceased 22 Oct 2020)		
3	Jessica Burrett	Secretary		
4	Casey-Lee Ralph		From 28 May 2018 to 22 October 2020	
5	Rebecca Milk		From 22 October 2020	
6	Alison Turner	Treasurer (from 22 Oct 2020)	From 12 June 2020	
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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

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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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Additional governance issues (Optional information)

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The Playgroup provided childcare facilities for children aged 2-5 years in and around Ashwellthorpe Village and its surrounding areas during school terms time. The Playgroup offers funded places for 2 year olds and 3 & 4 year olds.

The Trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the charity Commission on public benefit.

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)

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.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The Charity continued to operate from its premises in Ashwellthorpe, using the Village Hall.

This has been very successful during the current year.

From the 1st September 2020, the new school year, Bramble Bears operated from the Village Hall on a sole occupancy basis, opening 5 days a week, from 9am – 3pm.

This made it viable for more children locally and with that flexibility the number of attendances has gradually increased.

The Trustee worked very hard in order to ensure this happened and that it was a successful start to the new year, and despite the difficulties that Covid-19 inflicted on Early Years Settings that has been regarded as a major success for the Charity. It was a very difficult year, especially for the children and thanks has to be said to all the staff/committee member for their concerted efforts in making it as easy as possible, especially for those children joining in September 2020.

The Charity also received the agreement from the Village Hall that they could extend the front Garden which it did and this was a major success also. The Charity purchased more outside toys in order to help develop children's outside play.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Charity aims to maintain a reserve of cash funds for contingency purposes.

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)

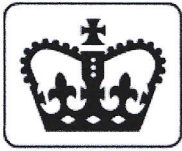
Full name(s)

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

17.2.2022



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Bramble Bears Playgroup

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31/05/2021

**Charity no
(if any)**

1072656

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(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 31/05/2021.

**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:

25/02/2022

Name:

Sam Jarrett

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

CIPFA Qualified

Address:

74, The Street, Ashwellthorpe, Norfolk. NR16 1AA

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	Period start date	To	Period end date
	01/06/2020		31/05/2021

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					
Fees	47,073	-	-	47,073	33,797
Donations	2,624	-	-	2,624	-
Fundraising	32	-	-	32	1,272
Interest	2	-	-	2	9
Other	3,770	-	-	3,770	2,251
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	53,501	-	-	53,501	37,329
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	53,501	-	-	53,501	37,329
A3 Payments					
Wages	39,695	-	-	39,695	30,835
Pension Costs	1,930	-	-	1,930	1,136
Cleaning	460	-	-	460	-
Utilities	1,067	-	-	1,067	-
Printing & Stationery	262	-	-	262	265
Hall Hire	1,000	-	-	1,000	2,590
Staff Expenses	1,127	-	-	1,127	185
Refreshments	267	-	-	267	88
Gifts	253	-	-	253	140
Outings	124	-	-	124	291
Insurance	498	-	-	498	498
Fees	380	-	-	380	538
Accountancy	434	-	-	434	350
Consumables	2,177	-	-	2,177	-
Fundraising	-	-	-	-	82
Telephone	606	-	-	606	451
General Administrative Expenses	771	-	-	771	204
Computer Costs	365	-	-	365	258
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	51,418	-	-	51,418	37,911
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
Equipment	2,828	-	-	2,828	519
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	2,828	-	-	2,828	519
Total payments	54,245	-	-	54,245	38,430
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 744	-	-	- 744	- 1,101
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	12,244	-	-	12,244	13,345
Cash funds this year end	11,500	-	-	11,500	12,244

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

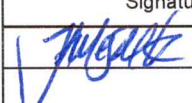
Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Bank Account	11,500	-	-
	Petty Cash	0	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	11,500	-	-
(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))				

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	Equipment	Unrestricted	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

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
		JAMES MILK	17-2-2022