



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

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)

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.

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)

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.

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.

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.

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.

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)

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)

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:

- 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: 13/03/2026

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
01/06/2024

To

Period end
date
31/05/2025

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 (Gross income for AR)	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					

	901	-	-	901	520
Insurance	759	-	-	759	798
Fees	252	-	-	252	35
Accountancy	495	-	-	495	519
Consumables	1,754	-	-	1,754	1,197
Advertising	557	-	-	557	545
Telephone	427	-	-	427	251
Repairs	-	-	-	-	40
Computer Costs	628	-	-	628	466
Bank Charges	64	-	-	64	85
		-	-	-	-
Sub total	68,200	-	-	68,200	58,642

A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Equipment	1,108	-	-	1,108	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	1,108	-	-	1,108	-


Total payments

69,308	-	-	69,308	58,642
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Net of receipts/(payments)	9,243	-	-	9,243	5,444
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	24,874	-	-	24,874	19,430
Cash funds this year end	34,117	-	-	34,117	24,874

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	34,079	-	-
	Petty Cash	38	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	34,117	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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)
	Shed	Unrestricted	-	-
	Laptop & Printer	Unrestricted	-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
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	
		Charlotte Wood	13/03/2026	