

ACTON PLAY PROJECTS AND LEISURE EVENTS (A. P. P. L. .E)

England & Wales · Charity number 1076880

Details

Other names A. P. P. L. E.

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 1999-08-03

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Activities

Objects: TO PROVIDE OR TO ASSIST IN THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES FOR RECREATION AND CREATIVE EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND IN ORDER TO IMPROVE THEIR QUALITY OF LIFE

Activities: A.P.P.L.E.is based in Acton, which includes highly deprived wards within the LB Ealing. A.P.P.L.E. is based at the ART BLOCK in Acton Park. Our purpose is to support the lives of children and young people by providing free, open access recreational, educational and creative opportunities.

Classification

- **How:** Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Amateur Sport
- **Who:** Children/young People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Ealing

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£185,111	£193,425	-	-
2024-03-31	£230,435	£207,922	-	-
2023-03-31	£164,490	£169,868	-	-
2022-03-31	£173,097	£163,286	-	-
2021-03-31	£146,097	£135,829	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
David Thaddeus	Chair	2018-11-23
Amanda Zoe Mason		2019-11-30
Carise Norman		2023-11-23
Christopher Catesby Harington		2020-02-01
Dilys Tisshaw		2021-10-23
Faisa Sharif		2023-11-25
Rachel Pepper		2015-11-07
SHARON DUCE SECRETARY		
TESSA SWITHINBANK TREASURER		

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A.P.P.L.E Annual Report

Jan – Dec 2025



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Chair's Report

Welcome to A.P.P.L.E.'s 2025 Annual Report.

Over the past year A.P.P.L.E.'s program has offered children and young people opportunities to develop confidence, resilience, and social skills through participation in diverse activities, fostering personal growth and mental wellbeing.

A.P.P.L.E. also supports families facing difficulties with projects such as the food bank service and inclusive community events.

Through our year long programme of –

Food Programme & Eating Together
Art & Creative Projects
Sport & Outdoor Play
Youth
and Family Support

we aim to build -

Confidence and resilience: The program helps participants overcome fears and build self-belief, contributing to improved mental health and academic success.

Enhanced social skills: Young people report increased social interaction and confidence, with participants noting improved ability to socialise and meet new people.

Empowerment through choice: Children and young people are encouraged to try new challenges at their own pace in a supportive atmosphere, which promotes success and confidence.

Cooking and creative skills development: Activities such as cooking clubs provide practical skills and fun experiences, enhancing participants' independence and creativity.

Food bank support: A weekly food bank, supported by City Harvest, serves 25 registered families, providing essential food supplies to those in need.

Community engagement and events: A.P.P.L.E. organises inclusive events like carnivals, festivals, and trips, which are especially valuable for families experiencing financial hardships, ensuring access to enriching experiences.

Adapting to diverse needs: The program balances different age groups' needs by providing age and ability related activities for younger children and establishing a dedicated youth group to ensure effective support.

Growing, cooking and eating together

Our food projects address all aspects related to food - shopping, budgeting, cooking, healthy food compared with processed food, eating together and hospitality. The number of young people forming the Cook Teams at open access sessions has increased. Space in the kitchen has made all aspects of cooking so much easier, from teaching techniques to teenagers hanging out over hot chocolate.



Art and Creativity

A.P.P.L.E.'s longest running project is the After School Art Club at John Perryn Primary School. Art Club first started as a lunch time activity club in 1998. Some 27 years later we are still there. This year's projects have included Chinese lanterns, bird hand puppets, printed banners and more.

At the open access art sessions on Saturdays and school holidays, the children and young people have worked on creating colourful banners for outside the ARTBLOCK. Projects have included, Roman helmets, and swords, windmills.

We have been involved in 4 school projects, for example, making light boxes with Year 4 at John Perryn.

Art and creative projects offer the children and young people a way to try something new in a relaxed and fun setting where everyone can have a go, even if you think 'I can't draw'



Sport and Outdoor Play

A.P.P.L.E is all about making outdoor sports and games fun and inclusive for young people. The activities focus on boosting mental and physical health, confidence, social skills, and fitness. Open access helps tackle barriers like cost and lack of interest in organised sports. Activities range from casual play with bikes and skipping ropes to organised sports and challenges. The goal is to build resilience and encourage a lifelong love for physical activity.

This summer our aim to engage all our children and young people in some sort of physical activity has been helped by coach J'don and his team and lots the trips, including, kayaking, wall climbing, Go Ape, the February Residential brrrrrr!



The

Youth

This past year has seen an increase in the number of young people aged 12 – 18 attending A.P.P.L.E sessions. The focus on getting our youth group out and about has been successful in broadening their experiences, engaging in challenging physical activities, bonding as a group, and having fun.

The support they offer each other has helped with issues of anxiety, bereavement and difficulties with home and school problems.

Our young people take an active role in researching, planning, and organising trips.

Jack Petchey awards and AAA awards help motivate our young people to achieve, especially those who find school challenging.



Families, Events and Trips

23rd September 2025

W, mother of 5, Syrian refugee: "A.P.P.L.E. is a great place for children from all different places and different ages. You can meet so many wonderful people here, and the older children are very patient with the younger children. A.P.P.L.E. has offered my children many opportunities which they wouldn't otherwise have had, such as the trips. The staff here are extremely kind, patient and understanding."

The programme at A.P.P.L.E is all about providing resources that can benefit families, from Tuesday Food Bank to access to trips and events, from somewhere for teenagers to hang out to bikes for the younger children to play on.



The most important skills that A.P.P.L.E helps provide through the programme are -confidence and resilience. The ability to address personal issues, seek and give help, stand in good stead throughout life.

28th February 2025

Teagan, 17 years: I started attending apple at 7 years old. Ever since then I have been a regular attendee. The staff at A.P.P.L.E., have been people I can confide in regularly. A.P.P.L.E. has helped me with my social and school problems. I am happy here, and, since I have introduced some of my other friends to A.P.P.L.E. it has become an even better place that I can come to.

Khaled, 14 years: I come to A.P.P.L.E. for the staff and when I come here I feel safe, and I always have someone I can talk to. It's always fun here and we laugh a lot. I learnt lots of new skills like cooking and chess. There's many new activities and events I can do here, that we can enjoy, like quizzes, movies, games.

Kate, 16 years: I have been at A.P.P.L.E. for the past 4 years, it has always been a safe and comforting space in which the staff have helped me develop new skills. For the entire time here, we have gone on many trips which allows us teens coming here to have new experiences and also make new friends along the way. The staff here have also helped me through many personal struggles and I always feel like I can come here in a time of need.

Ellie, 17 years: I have been coming to A.P.P.L.E. since I was younger and it always has been a fun, enjoyable and a safe place to be. It has allowed me to work on my communication and confidence skills. The staff are always supportive and caring, and have helped me through my personal struggles.

Leah, 15 years: I first came to apple as I got introduced by an old friend and I would have never realised that I would come to apple every day that it's open. Ever since I started coming properly I got very close to the staff and now they mean so much to me. Every trip I get to go on I find it so fun, and I really cherish all the people here. I've made so many good friends here that I could now never imagine a world without. I've made many great memories. The best staff member in my opinion is Abi because she's so amazing. She is so welcoming to everyone that comes to A.P.P.L.E. and she really means a lot to me.

Molly, 14 years: I like coming to A.P.P.L.E. because the staff are really nice. They are fun and listen to me. I sometimes struggle at school, and really don't like it. Nella really helps me. She gives me advice on how to manage it, like talking to a teacher I trust or taking time out. A.P.P.L.E. gives me the opportunity to try new activities, for example I recently went on the residential and did archery which I really enjoyed.

14th April 2025

Mohammed, 13 years: I love A.P.P.L.E. because it inspires the youth to step outside of their comfort zones and try new things. My overall experience in A.P.P.L.E. helped me to develop my communication skills.

18th October 2025

Nali, 13 years: I like coming to A.P.P.L.E. because I can meet my friends and also talk to new people. I also like the activities and games we play.

Bentley, 13 years: A.P.P.L.E. is really fun. I get to meet new people and I really enjoy the trips because they're fun and give me the chance to try new things. My favourite was kayaking and Go Ape.

Yamen, 12 years: I like playing table tennis here, meeting my friends and the trips. Kayaking was my favourite . I learnt how to swim and I'm not scared of the water anymore

2025 Stats (so far)

Total number of sessions: 174
35 Tuesday Art Club/Food Bank
23 John Perryn Art Club
25 East Acton Cooking Club
23 Friday Youth Night
25 Saturday Sessions
42 School Holiday Sessions

218 total attended at least 3 times this year
Males: 117 / Females: 101
Under 7's: 46 (21%)
8-11 years: 72 (33%)
12-15 years: 56 (26%)
16-17 years: 44 (20%)

Ethnicities:

Arab – 71 (32%)/ Asian – 15 (7%)/ Black – 43 (20%)/ Mixed – 40 (18%)/ Other – 12 (6%)
White – 37 (17%)

The **A.P.P.L.E. Achievement Awards** (AAA's) measure tasks accomplished in various areas such as leadership, cooking, art, community involvement, and personal development. These awards are practical and provide valuable recognition for children and young people who may struggle academically, encouraging them to excel in other areas.

3 Jack Petchey Awards

41 AAAs of which:

Art x16/ Camping x13/ Youth Leadership x2/ Cooking x9/ Member Recognition x1

There have also been 93 youth workdays by 64 individuals



Summary

We know how valuable the activities of A.P.P.L.E. are to the community around the park. Many families in the area have minimal home space and struggle with limited financial means to provide stimulating activities outside the home on any sort of regular basis. A.P.P.L.E. continues to provide a safe space, close to home where children and young people can thrive, engage in activities completely unrelated to school or family life. We aim to develop their confidence in their own abilities and allow them to expand their outlook and boundaries.

This past year has been very busy with many trips including a residential weekend at Woodrow High House in February, a trip to London Zoo (thanks to the generosity of John Lyons Charity), climbing under the Westway, kayaking on the Thames and many other inspiring trips.

Abigail Leitao has settled brilliantly in her role as General Manager and Sharonjot Mahi has now been with A.P.P.L.E over a year. It is wonderful to see them both thriving in their new posts.

A.P.P.L.E. is in a good financial position although as ever we will need to do some serious fundraising again in the coming year.

Finally on behalf of A.P.P.L.E I would like to say a great big thank you to all those who have put so much into the organisation over this past year: all the charities providing us with vital funds, our local schools helping us to provide help where we can, City Harvest for providing us with our food and of course our wonderful staff, Abbie, Sam and Jake, Sharonjot, Nella and Kai as well as Neville (keeping the garden up to scratch) and all the other supporting staff as well as everyone else who helps to keep A.P.P.L.E going so well.

David Thaddeus - Chair



APPENDIX 1 - A.P.P.L.E. STAFF, COMMITTEE AND TRUSTEES

A.P.P.L.E. is a registered constituted charity with a Management Committee of Chair, Treasurer and Secretary and six trustees.

There is a core support group of staff. A.P.P.L.E. has a large group of volunteers ranging from regulars to those who come and help for specific projects, e.g. carnivals.

Committee:

Chair: David Thaddeus **Secretary:** Sharon Duce **Treasurer:** Tessa Swithinbank

Trustees: Deborah Catesby, Amanda Mason, Edward Parkinson, Rachel Pepper, Dilys Tisshaw, Kit Harington, Faisa Sharif, Carise Norman

Project Coordinator & Co-founder - Vicki Barker

General Manager– Abigail Leitao

On-site Project Manager - Sam Barker

On-site Building Manager – Jake Barker

On-site Safeguarding Officer – Nella Novy Johnson

Off-site Admin support - Jessica Mason, Sheila Farrell

Lead Youth and Project Workers

Jake Barker

Nella Johnson

Sam Barker

Abigail Leitao

Project Staff

Kai Thomas Lewis- lead for Sport and Outside Play

Sharonjot Madi - Sport/ Drama/ Youth

Gardener

Neville Capil

Kitchen maintenance

Barabara Wachowska

Visiting specialists

Laura Barker - Chef

D'jon Campbell -Sports Coach

APPENDIX 2 – FUNDING ORGANISATIONS AND CONTACT LINKS

Our work this year has been supported by:

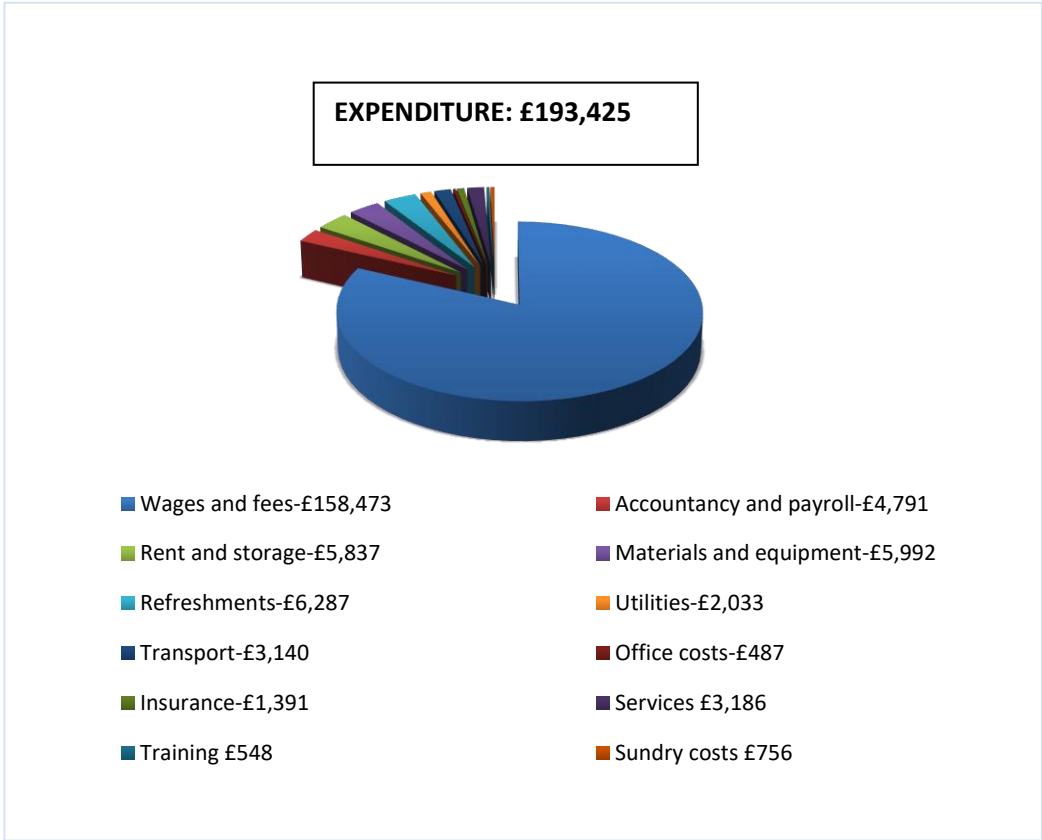
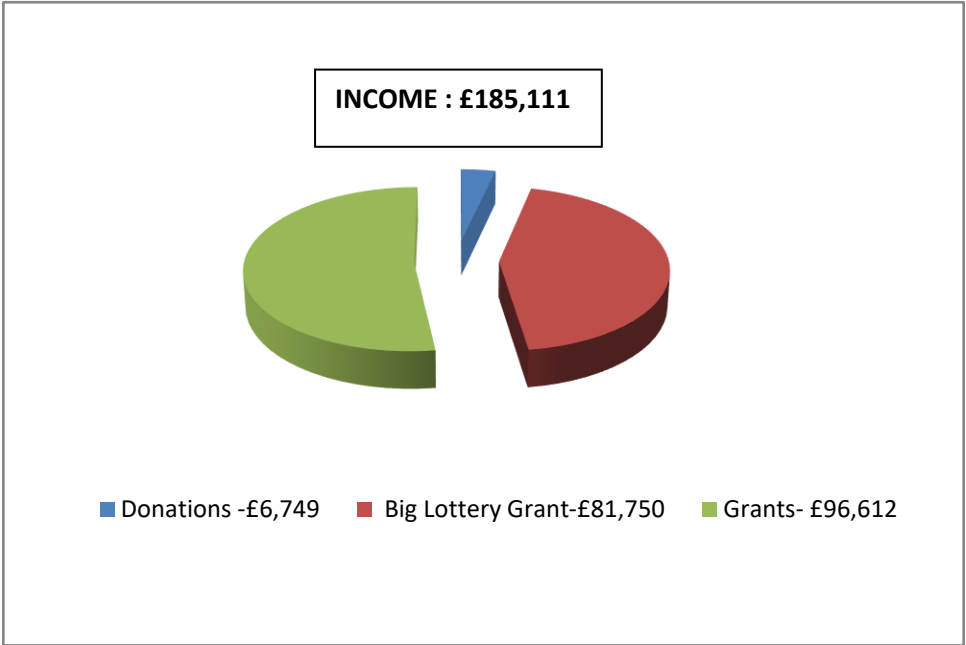


CONTACT LINKS - A.P.P.L.E. has connections with many local organisations.

- We work closely with 2 of our local primary schools. After School Art Club at John Perryn Primary School and Cooking Club with East Acton Primary School.
- Organisations we collaborate with, include: John Perryn Primary School, Derwentwater Primary School, East Acton Primary School, Artificiation, LB Ealing: Parks and Leisure, Children's Services, Youth & Connexions, Young Ealing Foundation, Ealing Skateboarding Association, London Youth, City Harvest, ActOne Cinema.
- We have received donations from Churchfield Community Association

APPENDIX 3 - A.P.P.L.E.'s Annual Accounts for the period 1st April 2024 – 31st March 2025

Accountants: Clarke and Co, Acorn House 33, Churchfield Road, Acton, W3 6AY





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Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

**Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st March 2025**

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

**2 Forbury Chase
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for the year ended 31st March 2025

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Reference and Administrative Information

Trustees

D. Thaddeus (Chair)
S. Duce (Secretary)
T. Swithinbank (Treasurer)
D. Catesby
R. Pepper
E. Parkinson
C.C. Harington
A. Mason
D. Tisshaw
C. Norman
F. Sharif

Projects Co-ordinator

V.J. Barker

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Charity Registration Number

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Bankers

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Reporting Accountants and Independent Examiners

Clarke & Co.
Acorn House
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London W3 6AY

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Annual Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2025

The Trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2025.

Legal Status

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events (A.P.P.L.E.) is registered under the Charities Act 2011, registered number 1076880.

Objectives and Activities of Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

To provide or assist in the provision of facilities for recreation and creative educational activities for children and young people in the interest of social welfare and in order to improve their quality of life.

In setting our objectives and planning our activities, the Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

Structure, Governance and Management

The trust is governed by its constitution, adopted on 7th June 1996 as amended on 25th June 1999, and further amended on 3rd October 2009.

Organisation

The charity is administered by a management committee which is made up of an elected Chair, Secretary and Treasurer plus between four and ten core members. Members are elected at the charity's Annual General Meeting.

The management committee meets three times a year to review the charity's finances and activities. These reviews involve detailed consideration of financial and activity progress reports prepared by the Projects Co-ordinator and Administrator. Management committee meetings adopt an open forum format and majority voting passes all decisions.

In addition to management committee meetings there are several planning meetings each year. The purpose of these meetings is the implementation of decisions made at management committee meetings.

Trustees' Responsibilities

The Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under it require the Trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Trust and of the surplus or deficit for that year. In preparing the Trust's accounts, the Trustees confirm that they have: -

- a) complied with the Charities Act 2011 and regulations;
- b) selected suitable accounting policies and applied them consistently;
- c) made judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- d) followed applicable accountant standards; and
- e) prepared the accounts on a going concern basis.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Trust and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Trust and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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Annual Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2025

Trustees

The Trustees of the charity shall be the honorary officers together with such additional members of the Management Committee that the said officers shall appoint as Trustees from time to time. All Trustees will hold office from the date of their appointment until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the charity, but shall be eligible for re-election at that time.

When electing these persons, consideration is given to their ability to enhance the operation of the charity as a whole.

The Trustees who served during the year were as follows: -

D. Thaddeus	A. Mason
S. Duce	C.C. Harington
T. Swithinbank	D. Tisshaw
D. Catesby	C. Norman
R. Pepper	F. Sharif
E. Parkinson	

Review of Developments, Activities and Achievements

The charity continues to organise and carry out a range of recreational and creative educational activities, primarily funded by local authorities and other charitable grants. These activities are available to all, without restriction, save as to numbers. Funding is usually year by year and expenditure is determined by the nature of the activity and the amount of the grant received for each project.

The Trustees are satisfied with the progress made during the year and believe that the charity is capable of maintaining the current level of activities in the next financial year. We continue to develop our core programme. Our focus for the following year is to support and grow our youth group.

Financial Review

The charity is required to incur expenditure in accordance with its funding applications. As such, reserves on restricted funds are minimal and are held only to complete outstanding projects. General reserves are held at their present level to support the administration of the charity and any excess expenditure which may occur on individual projects. The results for the year are shown on page 5 and are considered to be satisfactory by the Trustees.

Signed by order of the Trustees on 4th August 2025



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S. Duce - Secretary

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2025, which are set out on pages 5 to 11.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Trust's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioner. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and the seeking of explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

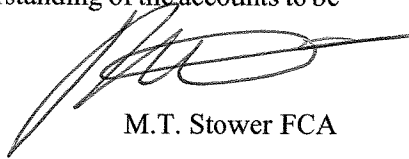
Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention: -

- 1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave not been met; or
- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Date: 29th August 2025

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M.T. Stower FCA

Clarke & Co.

Chartered Accountants

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2025 £	Total Funds 2024 £
Incoming resources					
Donations and legacies		6,749	-	6,749	2,484
Charitable activities					
a. The Big Lottery Fund		-	81,750	81,750	71,985
b. Other grants receivable		-	96,612	96,612	155,966
Investments					
a. Bank interest receivable		-	-	-	-
Other income					
a. CJRS grant		-	-	-	-
Total incoming resources		<u>£6,749</u>	<u>£178,362</u>	<u>£185,111</u>	<u>£230,435</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities					
a. Costs of furtherance of charitable objects	2	4,475	184,159	188,634	202,990
b. Governance costs	3	3,600	1,191	4,791	4,932
Other					
a. Depreciation on fixed assets		-	-	-	-
Total outgoing resources	4	<u>£8,075</u>	<u>£185,350</u>	<u>£193,425</u>	<u>£207,922</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		(1,326)	(6,988)	(8,314)	22,513
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(1,326)	(6,988)	(8,314)	22,513
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>7,752</u>	<u>44,070</u>	<u>51,822</u>	<u>29,309</u>
Total funds carried forward		<u>£6,426</u>	<u>£37,082</u>	<u>£43,508</u>	<u>£51,822</u>

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the Statement of Financial Activity.

The Charity has neither discontinued any of its operations nor acquired new ones.

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements

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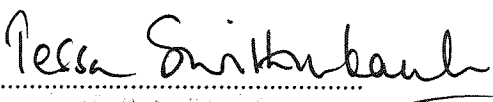
Balance Sheet at 31st March 2025

	Notes	£	2025	£	£	2024	£
Fixed Assets							
Tangible assets	5			1			1
Current Assets							
Debtors	6	-			-		
Cash at bank and in hand		50,267			57,750		
		<u>50,267</u>			<u>57,750</u>		
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	7	(6,760)			(5,929)		
Net Current Assets				43,507			51,821
Total Net Assets				<u>£43,508</u>			<u>£51,822</u>
Funds							
Restricted	8			37,082			44,070
Unrestricted	9			6,426			7,752
Total Funds				<u>£43,508</u>			<u>£51,822</u>

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee on 4-04-2025 and signed on their behalf by: -


D. Thaddeus


S. Duce


T. Swithinbank

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2025

1. Accounting Policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1st January 2016) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit as defined by FRS 102.

1.2 Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

At the time of approving the accounts, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

1.3 Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value over the useful economic life of that asset, as follows: -

25% reducing balance basis

1.4 Fund accounts

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the Trustees.

Restricted funds can be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for a particular restricted purpose.

1.5 Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

1.6 Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be easily quantified with reasonable accuracy.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2025

2. Costs in Furtherance of Charitable Objects	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Provision of charitable services				
Child care and events	4,475	163,723	168,198	185,747
Support costs				
Support costs	-	20,436	20,436	17,243
	<u>£4,475</u>	<u>£184,159</u>	<u>£188,634</u>	<u>£202,990</u>
 Analysis of provision of charitable services	 Staff Costs £	 Other Costs £	 Total 2025 £	 Total 2024 £
Child care and events	<u>£158,473</u>	<u>£9,725</u>	<u>£168,198</u>	<u>£185,747</u>
 Support costs			2025 £	2024 £
Salaries			-	-
Office costs			10,253	9,961
Transport costs			3,140	1,576
Refreshments			6,287	5,403
Bank charge			376	218
Sundry costs			380	85
			<u>£20,436</u>	<u>£17,243</u>
 3. Governance Costs	 Unrestricted Funds £	 Restricted Funds £	 Total 2025 £	 Total 2024 £
Accountancy fees	3,600	-	3,600	3,600
Payroll fees	-	1,191	1,191	1,332
	<u>£3,600</u>	<u>£1,191</u>	<u>£4,791</u>	<u>£4,932</u>

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Support costs	-	20,436	20,436	17,243
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	<u>£158,473</u>	<u>£34,952</u>	<u>£193,425</u>	<u>£207,922</u>

Other costs:	2025 £	2024 £
Rent, rates and storage	6,341	6,042
Insurance	1,391	1,312
Materials and purchases	5,992	11,034
Kitchen refurbishment	-	23,643
Telephone	180	120
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Refreshments	6,287	5,404
Bank charge	376	218
Training	548	368
Subscription	150	160
Sundry costs	380	85
Services	3,186	10,617
	<u>£34,952</u>	<u>£67,837</u>

The aggregate payroll costs were:	2025 £	2024 £
Employer's pension	2,175	2,102
Wages and fees	152,483	134,353
Social security costs	3,815	3,630
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4. Total Resources Expended (contd.)

Particulars of employees:

The average number of assistants employed by the charity during the financial year amounted to:

	2025	2024
Number of childcare and administration staff	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>

No Trustee or any persons connected to the Trustees has received any remuneration or reimbursed expenses of any kind during the year (2024 - £Nil).

No employee was paid more than £60,000. The key management personnel of the charity comprise the projects co-ordinator. The total remuneration and employee benefit of the key management personnel of the charity for 2025 is £11,291 (2024 - £15,132).

5. Tangible Fixed Assets	Equipment £
Cost	
At 1st April 2024 and 31st March 2025	<u>£1,131</u>
Depreciation	
At 1st April 2024	1,130
Charge for the year	<u>-</u>
At 31st March 2025	<u>£1,130</u>
Net Book Value	
At 31st March 2025	<u>£ 1</u>
At 31st March 2024	<u>£ 1</u>

6. Debtors	2025 £	2024 £
Other debtors	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ -</u>

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7.	Creditors	2025 £	2024 £	
	Grant monies received in advance	-	1,270	
	Other creditors	-	434	
	PAYE/NIC	3,160	625	
	Accruals	3,600	3,600	
		<u>£6,760</u>	<u>£5,929</u>	
8.	Restricted Funds		£	
	Movement in resources:			
	Balance at 1st April 2024		44,070	
	Net incoming resources		(6,988)	
	Transfer between funds		-	
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	This fund represents all grant monies received for specific projects, less related expenditure.			
9.	Unrestricted Funds		£	
	Movement in resources:			
	Balance at 1st April 2024		7,752	
	Net incoming resources		(1,326)	
	Transfer between funds		-	
	Balance at 31st March 2025		<u>£6,426</u>	
10.	Analysis of Net Assets (between restricted and unrestricted funds)	Tangible Fixed Assets £	Other Net Assets £	Total £
	Restricted funds	-	37,082	37,082
	Unrestricted funds	1	6,425	6,426
		<u>£ 1</u>	<u>£43,507</u>	<u>£43,508</u>

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**Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st March 2025**

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

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Reference and Administrative Information

Trustees

D. Thaddeus (Chair)
S. Duce (Secretary)
T. Swithinbank (Treasurer)
D. Catesby
R. Pepper
E. Parkinson
C.C. Harington
A. Mason
D. Tisshaw
C. Norman
F. Sharif

Projects Co-ordinator

V.J. Barker

Principal Address

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Charity Registration Number

1076880

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Reporting Accountants and Independent Examiners

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London W3 6AY

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Annual Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2025

The Trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2025.

Legal Status

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events (A.P.P.L.E.) is registered under the Charities Act 2011, registered number 1076880.

Objectives and Activities of Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

To provide or assist in the provision of facilities for recreation and creative educational activities for children and young people in the interest of social welfare and in order to improve their quality of life.

In setting our objectives and planning our activities, the Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

Structure, Governance and Management

The trust is governed by its constitution, adopted on 7th June 1996 as amended on 25th June 1999, and further amended on 3rd October 2009.

Organisation

The charity is administered by a management committee which is made up of an elected Chair, Secretary and Treasurer plus between four and ten core members. Members are elected at the charity's Annual General Meeting.

The management committee meets three times a year to review the charity's finances and activities. These reviews involve detailed consideration of financial and activity progress reports prepared by the Projects Co-ordinator and Administrator. Management committee meetings adopt an open forum format and majority voting passes all decisions.

In addition to management committee meetings there are several planning meetings each year. The purpose of these meetings is the implementation of decisions made at management committee meetings.

Trustees' Responsibilities

The Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under it require the Trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Trust and of the surplus or deficit for that year. In preparing the Trust's accounts, the Trustees confirm that they have: -

- a) complied with the Charities Act 2011 and regulations;
- b) selected suitable accounting policies and applied them consistently;
- c) made judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- d) followed applicable accountant standards; and
- e) prepared the accounts on a going concern basis.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Trust and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Trust and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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Annual Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2025

Trustees

The Trustees of the charity shall be the honorary officers together with such additional members of the Management Committee that the said officers shall appoint as Trustees from time to time. All Trustees will hold office from the date of their appointment until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the charity, but shall be eligible for re-election at that time.

When electing these persons, consideration is given to their ability to enhance the operation of the charity as a whole.

The Trustees who served during the year were as follows: -

D. Thaddeus	A. Mason
S. Duce	C.C. Harington
T. Swithinbank	D. Tisshaw
D. Catesby	C. Norman
R. Pepper	F. Sharif
E. Parkinson	

Review of Developments, Activities and Achievements

The charity continues to organise and carry out a range of recreational and creative educational activities, primarily funded by local authorities and other charitable grants. These activities are available to all, without restriction, save as to numbers. Funding is usually year by year and expenditure is determined by the nature of the activity and the amount of the grant received for each project.

The Trustees are satisfied with the progress made during the year and believe that the charity is capable of maintaining the current level of activities in the next financial year. We continue to develop our core programme. Our focus for the following year is to support and grow our youth group.

Financial Review

The charity is required to incur expenditure in accordance with its funding applications. As such, reserves on restricted funds are minimal and are held only to complete outstanding projects. General reserves are held at their present level to support the administration of the charity and any excess expenditure which may occur on individual projects. The results for the year are shown on page 5 and are considered to be satisfactory by the Trustees.

Signed by order of the Trustees on 4th August 2025



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S. Duce - Secretary

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2025, which are set out on pages 5 to 11.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Trust's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioner. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and the seeking of explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

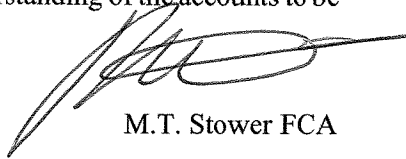
Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention: -

- 1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave not been met; or
- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Date: 29th August 2025

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M.T. Stower FCA

Clarke & Co.

Chartered Accountants

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st March 2025

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Incoming resources					
Donations and legacies		6,749	-	6,749	2,484
Charitable activities					
a. The Big Lottery Fund		-	81,750	81,750	71,985
b. Other grants receivable		-	96,612	96,612	155,966
Investments					
a. Bank interest receivable		-	-	-	-
Other income					
a. CJRS grant		-	-	-	-
Total incoming resources		<u>£6,749</u>	<u>£178,362</u>	<u>£185,111</u>	<u>£230,435</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities					
a. Costs of furtherance of charitable objects	2	4,475	184,159	188,634	202,990
b. Governance costs	3	3,600	1,191	4,791	4,932
Other					
a. Depreciation on fixed assets		-	-	-	-
Total outgoing resources	4	<u>£8,075</u>	<u>£185,350</u>	<u>£193,425</u>	<u>£207,922</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		(1,326)	(6,988)	(8,314)	22,513
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(1,326)	(6,988)	(8,314)	22,513
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>7,752</u>	<u>44,070</u>	<u>51,822</u>	<u>29,309</u>
Total funds carried forward		<u>£6,426</u>	<u>£37,082</u>	<u>£43,508</u>	<u>£51,822</u>

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the Statement of Financial Activity.

The Charity has neither discontinued any of its operations nor acquired new ones.

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements

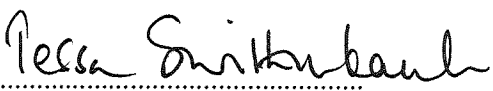
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Balance Sheet at 31st March 2025

	Notes	£	2025	£	£	2024	£
Fixed Assets							
Tangible assets	5			1			1
Current Assets							
Debtors	6	-			-		
Cash at bank and in hand		50,267			57,750		
		<u>50,267</u>			<u>57,750</u>		
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	7	(6,760)			(5,929)		
Net Current Assets				43,507			51,821
Total Net Assets				<u>£43,508</u>			<u>£51,822</u>
Funds							
Restricted	8			37,082			44,070
Unrestricted	9			6,426			7,752
Total Funds				<u>£43,508</u>			<u>£51,822</u>

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee on 4-04-2025 and signed on their behalf by: -


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D. Thaddeus


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T. Swithinbank


.....
S. Duce

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2025

1. Accounting Policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1st January 2016) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit as defined by FRS 102.

1.2 Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

At the time of approving the accounts, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

1.3 Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value over the useful economic life of that asset, as follows: -

25% reducing balance basis

1.4 Fund accounts

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the Trustees.

Restricted funds can be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for a particular restricted purpose.

1.5 Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

1.6 Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be easily quantified with reasonable accuracy.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2025

2. Costs in Furtherance of Charitable Objects	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Provision of charitable services				
Child care and events	4,475	163,723	168,198	185,747
Support costs				
Support costs	-	20,436	20,436	17,243
	<u>£4,475</u>	<u>£184,159</u>	<u>£188,634</u>	<u>£202,990</u>
 Analysis of provision of charitable services	 Staff Costs £	 Other Costs £	 Total 2025 £	 Total 2024 £
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 Support costs			 2025 £	 2024 £
Salaries			-	-
Office costs			10,253	9,961
Transport costs			3,140	1,576
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Net Book Value	
At 31st March 2025	<u>£ 1</u>
At 31st March 2024	<u>£ 1</u>

6. Debtors	2025 £	2024 £
Other debtors	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£ -</u>

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10.	Analysis of Net Assets (between restricted and unrestricted funds)	Tangible Fixed Assets	Other Net Assets
		£	£
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Accounts



Annual Report

Jan – Dec 2023

"A.P.P.L.E. has always been here since I was little and now, I bring my own child. They have always been welcoming and are important to the community." Carise, Mother of 1



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Chair's Report

Welcome to A.P.P.L.E.'s 2023 Annual Report.

This past year A.P.P.L.E. has been able to run our full programme, made up of our core projects:

- **Food Programme & Eating Together**
- **Art & Creative Projects**
- **Sport & Outdoor Play**
- **Youth, and Family Support**



A.P.P.L.E. continues to provide a safe, nurturing place for children and young people to play, meet their friends and take part in lots of activities.

We see on average 100 children and young people a week in term time at our out-of-school sessions and 200+ a week in the school holidays.

One of our primary aims over this past year has been to re-establish 'old school' A.P.P.L.E. after the disruption of Covid and the ongoing cost of living crisis: playing out, eating together, making stuff, going places and being with friends.

We work to make A.P.P.L.E. welcoming, accepting and easy to be part of. The content of the sessions for children and young people are planned to be engaging and assist in building confidence, developing life skills, enhance education and work opportunities.

The broad aims this year have been:

To develop the provision for the youth group

- **More dedicated time** - Friday Youth is firmly established after the disruption of Covid. This cohort of young people is particularly close knit. They come from all the local high schools and from all over Acton. A.P.P.L.E is their contact place.
- **More youth specific activities** - *"I enjoy the activities, especially table tennis. I enjoy being with my friends and I enjoy talking to the staff here"* BR, 12

- **The youth taking on more responsibility** for their time at A.P.P.L.E., for example, designing projects, planning and prepping trips. The youth group organised a trip to Oxygen in the Easter holiday. The planning being part of the Award scheme.
- **Developing the AAA award scheme** and Jack Petchey Awards - We have updated the whole scheme over the past year and it is now just beginning to get properly established.
- **Encouraging young people** to engage in identifying and planning towards their goals. For example, a 13-year-old girl wants to be an actress. She is very certain about this but has no opportunities to try this out. We are engaged in an ongoing conversation about what is possible, and how to take the next step.
- **To provide a safe space** where the young people feel able to discuss and address their individual issues. For example, this was a worry: *"I worry that I don't fit in, and people think I'm weird. I worry about what people think about me"* and now the same young person says this, *"I like to come to A.P.P.L.E. because it's very fun and welcoming. I can be myself and it feels like home here. Youth night has helped me to open up and talk to people about my problems. I talk to more to people than before, and I can express myself like I always wanted to. Before I was afraid of people not liking that side of me."*

For our primary school age group

- **To offer as wide a range of activities** as we can, particularly those that may not be available in school, for example large scale artwork.
- **To concentrate on physical activities**, group games, crazy activities, for example, Monster Tug-of-war. This has been to boost fitness and wellbeing after Covid, to drive up energy levels and promote positive feelings and hope.
- **To start the year 5/6 children attending cooking and art club on starter AAA awards.** This generates energy and enthusiasm for learning and achieving in practical, fun ways out-of-school. This is a first step for many children, particularly those who find school and academic work difficult (see the current stress levels around the SATs)
- **To make sure we are supporting** those children with additional social and learning needs, particularly those not identified in school. There are an increasing number of children going unsupported who clearly require extra help. *"I think it is amazing what they do with the kid. My child enjoys a lot when we come. He has ADHD and they help him so much"* Nadia (parent)

For families

- **Ensuring those families who need support with food** can access food packs from A.P.P.L.E. - *"Grateful for food for the family as shopping difficult especially with disability and kids with needs"* Sonia (parent)
- **To extend the activities on offer to include younger children** but not to the detriment of our older children and young people. This was a challenge at first. But we have now acquired materials and equipment for younger children and have added suitable art activities.

There are benefits - we have more parents involved and willing to help. Giving the youth dedicated time has balanced the programme out to meet all our user groups.

We have progressed in all the areas outlined above.

It feels as if we are back on track after the disruption of the past few years. It was not as simple as just opening up again. The finances were very difficult which made planning difficult. And the groups felt very fragmented. It has taken this past year for us to gel back together and become properly A.P.P.L.E again.

The benefits for the children and young people have been:

- **confidence** gained through achievement; they acquire skills from taking part in the activities.
- **calm and reassurance** gained by being in a safe supportive environment where they can be themselves and make choices for themselves.
- **improved physical wellbeing** through taking part in the many sports, games, and outdoor play activities.
- **life and work skills** gained through learning to cook, garden, do DIY, take part in workday sessions, lead activities.
- **friendships** gained through the making of new friends through activities outside their home or school group.
- **solace and comfort** gained from friends and staff in an atmosphere of acceptance and support.

The present youth group have become tight knit and very supportive of each other over the past year.



The key achievements over this past year have been:

- **The coming together** of this present cohort of young people. The core of this group range in age from 12 - 15, they attend all different high schools and come from all over Acton. They have become one of the closest groups A.P.P.L.E have had attend. They are kind, and supportive of each other.
- **The enthusiasm.** This group take part in many of the activities. They have become active in planning activities for Friday youth. For example, 'Come Dine with Me' - an event over three Friday sessions in Feb and March, where teams cooked a main course and dessert for their peers and prepared an entertainment, for example Karaoke.
- **The residential trip.** It was on this trip that the group really came together. They were amazingly supportive of each other when encountering challenging and often scary activities. This bonding has extended to the whole group including to those who did not go on the trip and those who have started attending since.

- **Trip to Littlehampton.** A very good day although the weather could have been better. A proper seaside day. The children played on the beach, messed about in the water, built sandcastles, caught crabs, and had a picnic.
- **The establishment of the new AAA awards scheme.** We now have 8 categories of awards – we have arts & cooking awards aimed at year 5/6. These awards are important as they are often a first step in self-development. They introduce to children and young people, who may not be doing well at school, a means of gaining recognition for accomplishments. Self-confidence comes from small achievable goals. 6 of our young people have gone on to achieve Jack Petchy Awards.

The Summer Celebration Party - 20 years in the ARTBLOCK.

A.P.P.L.E held a summer party on Saturday June 24th to celebrate being in the ARTBLOCK for 20 years.

We had a great afternoon. There were lots of games, a chess competition, archery, a beauty tent with stick on tattoos, cake decorating, mask making and lots of food.

The new Ealing Mayor, Cllr Hitesh Tailor attended. We think he had a good afternoon as we heard soon after **we became one of the mayor's chosen charities for the coming year.**



London Garden Scheme – Community Gardens Award

We came 3rd in this year's London Garden Scheme Awards in the community garden category which is a fabulous achievement.



Our food programme goals have all been successfully accomplished and, in many instances, surpassed. It has been at the core of our programme for many years and its importance has only increased over that time. Research shows that healthy eating has lifelong health benefits and in the short-term it can tackle issues with tooth decay and obesity. We have continually offered a healthy main course and dessert at every session, focusing on reducing sugar and meat consumption and eating more vegetables. Most of our meals are vegetarian, and young people are always heavily involved in the preparation of these dishes.

This participation is further encouraged through the AAA's they can receive for cooking which has been a successful initiative, with over 20 children and young people achieving AAA's in cooking, and many more in progress.

A group of 9 young people also ran an "A.P.P.L.E. Come Dine with me" event over three Friday sessions in Feb/March, where teams cooked a main course and dessert for their peers, who each gave a score out of 10 for presentation, hosting, and cooking. *"At youth night I've learnt how to cook. For example, I learnt how to make homemade burgers and Eton Mess. I've also learnt how to work as a team during Come Dine with Me"* Abubakar, 12

Young people have also taken the lead in organising a number of other events including an

Italian-themed day, a Mexican-themed day, and a cake stall to raise funds for the new kitchen. Young people took the lead in the entirety of the organisation of these events, including budgeting, time management, decorating, and of course preparing the dishes. Feedback from cooking events has been hugely positive, with some of our young people showing a greater interest in how specific meals are prepared, and in cooking from scratch.

Our weekly cooking club with the year 5 children at East Acton Primary School, has also had the same effect. Children are motivated to take a greater interest in cooking and healthy eating, and to try new foods, (many were initially much pickier eaters, and hesitant to try any foods unknown to them). Each child has a notebook recording all the recipes they have which they can then replicate at home. We have conducted over 30 sessions with this group.



A.P.P.L.E. actively encourages young people to develop their understanding of where their food comes from and take part in growing fresh fruit and vegetables in the garden. They can then use the produce they have grown to prepare meals for themselves and their peers.

We have continued to open as a food bank for 23 local families struggling due to food insecurity. The number of families we have supported has more than doubled in the last few months, due mostly to the cost-of-living crisis. Feedback from the support offered has been incredibly positive, and we hope to continue to support these struggling families and more moving forward.

Our family programme has continued to run successfully and has grown substantially. We continue to provide regular open-access sessions to all local families on Tuesdays after-school, Saturdays, and during school holidays.

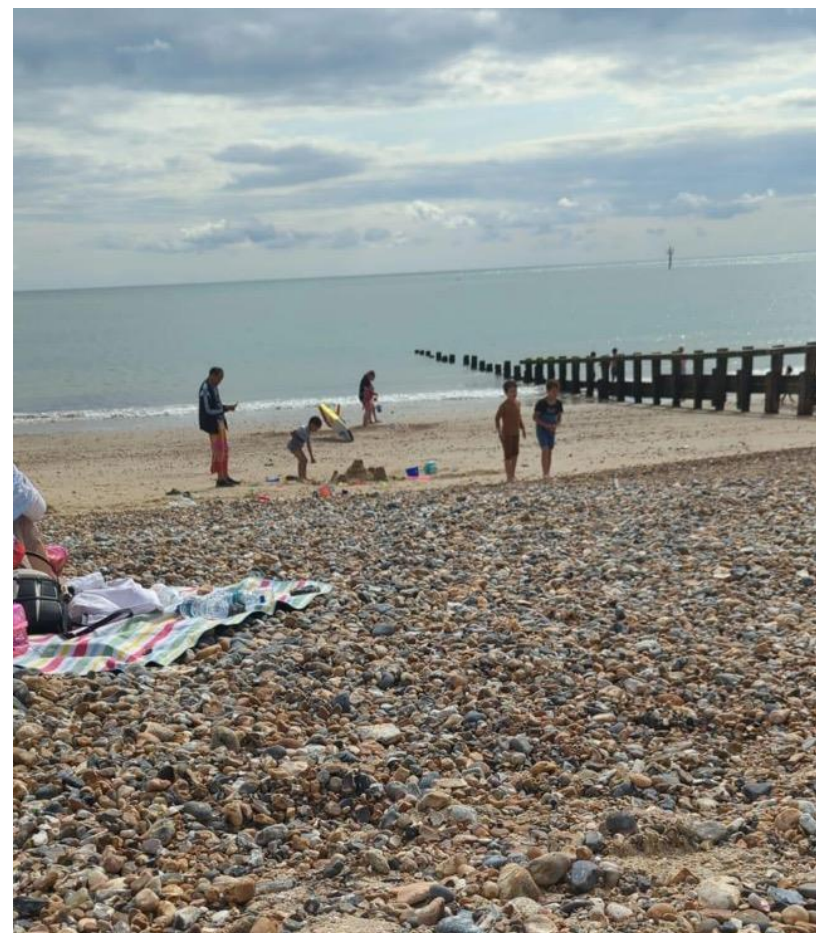
Each session includes cooking activities, unique arts and crafts such as decorating Mexican sugar skulls and creating jungle animals, sports, gardening, DIY and more.

The age range we support has grown noticeably. While previously, we solely catered to young people aged 8 to 16, we are finding more and more under 8's and parents joining us on a weekly basis. Parents are becoming an active part of A.P.P.L.E. helping out whenever possible with baking, setting up and clearing at the end of the day.

In the summer we ran a hugely popular seaside trip to Littlehampton for families, with a total of 54 children and parents attending. For most children, this was the only time they had spent away from London during the summer, and for one of our new refugee families, this was a first-time experience.

As well as this, we conducted a number of community events throughout the summer holiday including a beach party, a summer party, a Halloween party and a Christmas party, all of which have had a large turnout and excellent feedback.

To cater to our growing group of 4-8 year olds we have acquired some smaller outdoor toys including a handful of smaller bikes.



The Kitchen Hub Project has been the big event of the year. Our small, very well used, and tired kitchen has served us well. But the need for a larger space became overwhelming. We have wanted to create a bigger, better equipped kitchen for such a long time.

We started planning in January – first to find the funding and then to set about putting our plan into action. A.P.P.L.E crowdfunded with Spacehive, raising over £20,000. **Thank you to everyone who donated.**

We made our target budget with **thanks to LB Ealing for their generous matched funding and to John Lyons for a further refurbishment grant.** So, with the funding in place we could proceed.

The first stage was to put in place 2 sheds to store all our sports equipment. A **BIG thanks to The Shed**, the company that cleared the ground, laid the foundations, and put up the large shed. We then had to clear our storeroom ready for the transformation into a new kitchen.

The work started after the summer holidays and was completed in the middle of October. **Big thank you to Richard Tripp** for his great work.

We are still getting straight but the kitchen is a huge success.

Thanks to the staff who have worked so hard clearing, sorting, and putting it all back together.



Challenges

The continual challenge is funding - the insecurity makes forward planning very difficult. Emerging from Covid was more difficult than expected, it created problems with planning and staffing (staff illness, staff shortage when furlough ended and before we could apply for project funding). And now we are facing a cost-of-living crisis which directly affects not only everyone who comes to us, but also the availability of funding.

Our building is a continual challenge, but we love it. Earlier this year we began our Kitchen Hub project, and the kitchen has been constructed. We now plan to create our outdoor eating area and develop our kitchen garden to support our food programme.

"I love everything about ARTBLOCK. It is the lair of fun and excitement" NR,13

Projects for the coming year

We aim to develop new projects that make use of our new kitchen space. We have contacted a local group: 'Nourishing Routes', who are developing projects around healthy eating and are interested in working with us.

The second stage of the Kitchen Hub project is planned for the spring. This is to create an outside eating area with the new kitchen door opening out into the garden. This is now in the funding and planning stage.



And following a recent survey with our young people we are planning to create artwork around an animal and environmental theme. *'The World we want is full of animals.'*

This year in pictures ...





Stats 2023

319 individual children and young people have attended over 3 times this year this year.
The group is made up 154 boys, 165 girls.

Our core group is made up of 114 children and young people who attend on a regular basis.

55 countries are represented.

385 individual children and young people attended during the summer holidays.

We served 1145 individual meals in the summer holidays.



Training, work experience and active engagement

We currently have more than 40 children who have both completed and are working towards one or more A.P.P.L.E. Achievement Awards (AAAs). This is a large participation increase since last summer, with more and more individuals wanting to take part in the scheme.

- 16 AAAs to our Year 5/6 in cooking and art.
- 53 young people have taken part in work experience day as Youth helpers/assistance/mentors.

Workdays include tasks towards AAAs. For example, setting up and running an activity.

Through these AAA's children have reported increased confidence, and a greater keenness to test their abilities, as well as stepping outside of their comfort zone to experience new opportunities:

Building resilience - small steps at a time:

Conversation with Hanya:

Hanya: *The first time you are cooking, the very, very first batch might not be perfect, but if you do it again and again it will be perfect.*

Staff: *So, practice makes perfect?*

Hanya: *Yes, so the first one won't be perfect, but the next ones will.*

Staff: *So, you have learnt that through cooking club?*

Hanya: *Yeah*



Summary

The past few years have been extraordinary. Covid and the cost-of-living crisis have meant that we have faced new, unthought of challenges as well as old familiar ones. Housing and poverty were problems before, and bullying and problems at home are not new issues, but the scale and severity of it today is what is new and shocking.

A.P.P.L.E. is a joyous place. It is a place of fun and hope. Throughout this period, we have done what we always do – we have looked at the need and adapted to meet it.

Covid tested our adaptability and ingenuity. What would remain and what would we lose as we all went through it and now, post-covid, how do we all recover in a cost-of-living crisis?

What remains is A.P.P.L.E. itself. A centre open to all, free and welcoming.

What has been shaken for all of us is carefree-ness, optimism, and faith in the future. What we see in our young people is increased anxiety, self-criticism, disaffection, and a detachment from their futures. When talking to young people about their futures there is a hesitation, a 'whatever' approach, a wariness in investing too much. They have learnt that things can change in drastic ways.

Going forward, what is needed is resilience and hope.

We aim to equip our children and young people with the skills and confidence they need to identify and realise their goals. Resilience is built on knowing you belong, self-confidence and accomplishments. Only then can you weather setbacks. We will continue do this by creating a safe, welcoming space where children and young people feel they are valued and can learn new things without pressure or the fear of failure.

And finally, we would like to thank everyone who has supported us this year. Thank you to everyone who donated to the kitchen hub; to Mayor Hitesh Tailor for making us one of his charities of the year; to Richard Thrip who created our lovely new kitchen; to the hardworking members of the committee; to John Lyons and LB Ealing for funding the new kitchen. **And a special thanks to the fantastic staff** who make A.P.P.L.E. such a special place for young people.

David Thaddeus
Chair

APPENDIX 1 - A.P.P.L.E. STAFF, COMMITTEE AND TRUSTEES

A.P.P.L.E. is a registered constituted charity with a Management Committee of Chair, Treasurer and Secretary and six trustees.

There is a core support group of staff. A.P.P.L.E. has a large group of volunteers ranging from regulars to those who come and help for specific projects, e.g. carnivals.

Committee:

Chair: David Thaddeus **Secretary:** Sharon Duce **Treasurer:** Tessa Swithinbank

Trustees: Deborah Catesby, Amanda Mason, Edward Parkinson, Rachel Pepper, Dilys Tisshaw, Kit Harington

Project Coordinator & Co-founder - Vicki Barker

On-site Project Manager - Sam Barker

On-site Building Manager – Jake Barker

On-site Safeguarding Officer – Nella Novy Johnson

On-site administrator – Abigail Leitao

Off-site admin support - Jessica Mason & Sheila Farrell

Lead Youth and Project Workers

Jake Barker

Nella Johnson

Sam Barker

Project Staff

Taranom Mansoubi

Kai Thomas Lewis

Sharnai Christopher

Session workers

Doran Halliday

Laura Barker

Priscilla Mesaque

Gardener

Neville Capil



APPENDIX 2 – FUNDING ORGANISATIONS AND CONTACT LINKS

Our work this year has been supported by:



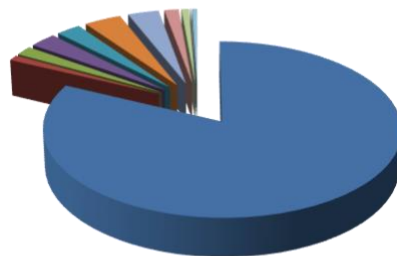
CONTACT LINKS - A.P.P.L.E. has connections with many local organisations.

- We work closely with 2 of our local primary schools. We have run an After School Art Club at John Perryn Primary School for over 20 years and Cooking Club with East Acton Primary School for more than 10 years.
- Organisations we collaborate with, including John Perryn Primary School, Derwentwater Primary School, East Acton Primary School, Artification, LB Ealing: Parks and Leisure, Children's Services, Youth & Connexions, Young Ealing Foundation, Ealing Skateboarding Association, London Youth, City Harvest, ActOne Cinema.
- We have received donations from Churchfield Community Association, Barrett Housing, Volker Fitzpatrick.
- We take part in and put on local events such as, Acton Carnival and Halloween and Summer Parties.

APPENDIX 3 - A.P.P.L.E.'s Annual Accounts for the period 1st April 2022 – 31st March 2023

Accountants: Clarke and Co, Acorn House 33, Churchfield Road, Acton, W3 6AY

EXPENDITURE: £169,868



■ Wages and fees-£139,339	■ Employers Pensions- £1,731
■ Social security costs- £2,976	■ Accountancy and payroll-£4,707
■ Rent and storage-£4,327	■ Materials and equipment-£6481
■ Refreshments-£5,405	■ Utilities-£2,504
■ Transport-£1,334	■ Office costs-£165

INCOME: £164,490



■ Donations -£8,368	■ Big Lottery Grant/s-£84,860	■ Grants- £71,262
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**Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st March 2024**

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Reference and Administrative Information

Trustees

D. Thaddeus (Chair)
S. Duce (Secretary)
T. Swithinbank (Treasurer)
D. Catesby
R. Pepper
E. Parkinson
C.C. Harington
A. Mason
D. Tisshaw
C. Norman
F. Sharif

Projects Co-ordinator

V.J. Barker

Principal Address

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Charity Registration Number

1076880

Bankers

National Westminster Bank plc
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Reporting Accountants and Independent Examiners

Clarke & Co.
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Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Annual Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2024

The Trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2024.

Legal Status

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events (A.P.P.L.E.) is registered under the Charities Act 2011, registered number 1076880.

Objectives and Activities of Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

To provide or assist in the provision of facilities for recreation and creative educational activities for children and young people in the interest of social welfare and in order to improve their quality of life.

In setting our objectives and planning our activities, the Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

Structure, Governance and Management

The trust is governed by its constitution, adopted on 7th June 1996 as amended on 25th June 1999, and further amended on 3rd October 2009.

Organisation

The charity is administered by a management committee which is made up of an elected Chair, Secretary and Treasurer plus between four and ten core members. Members are elected at the charity's Annual General Meeting.

The management committee meets three times a year to review the charity's finances and activities. These reviews involve detailed consideration of financial and activity progress reports prepared by the Projects Co-ordinator and Administrator. Management committee meetings adopt an open forum format and majority voting passes all decisions.

In addition to management committee meetings there are several planning meetings each year. The purpose of these meetings is the implementation of decisions made at management committee meetings.

Trustees' Responsibilities

The Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under it require the Trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Trust and of the surplus or deficit for that year. In preparing the Trust's accounts, the Trustees confirm that they have: -

- a) complied with the Charities Act 2011 and regulations;
- b) selected suitable accounting policies and applied them consistently;
- c) made judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- d) followed applicable accountant standards; and
- e) prepared the accounts on a going concern basis.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Trust and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Trust and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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Annual Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2024

Trustees

The Trustees of the charity shall be the honorary officers together with such additional members of the Management Committee that the said officers shall appoint as Trustees from time to time. All Trustees will hold office from the date of their appointment until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the charity, but shall be eligible for re-election at that time.

When electing these persons, consideration is given to their ability to enhance the operation of the charity as a whole.

The Trustees who served during the year were as follows: -

D. Thaddeus	A. Mason
S. Duce	C.C. Harington
T. Swithinbank	D. Tisshaw
D. Catesby	C. Norman (appointed 23.11.2023)
R. Pepper	F. Sharif (appointed 25.11.2023)
E. Parkinson	

Review of Developments, Activities and Achievements

The charity continues to organise and carry out a range of recreational and creative educational activities, primarily funded by local authority and other charitable grants. These activities are available to all, without restriction, save as to numbers. Funding is usually year by year and expenditure is determined by the nature of the activity and the amount of the grant received for each project.

The Trustees are satisfied with the progress made during the year and believe that the charity is capable of maintaining the current level of activities in the next financial year. A.P.P.L.E. were successful in raising funds and completing the building of a new kitchen in November 2023.

Financial Review

The charity is required to incur expenditure in accordance with its funding applications. As such, reserves on restricted funds are minimal and are held only to complete outstanding projects. General reserves are held at their present level to support the administration of the charity and any excess expenditure which may occur on individual projects. The results for the year are shown on page 5 and are considered to be satisfactory by the Trustees.

Signed by order of the Trustees on 25th October 2024.



S. Duce - Secretary

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2024, which are set out on pages 5 to 11.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Trust's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioner. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and the seeking of explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

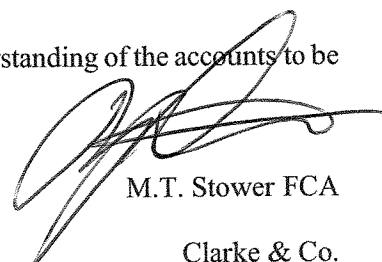
Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention: -

- 1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave not been met; or
- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Date: 25th October 2024

Acorn House
33 Churchfield Road
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London W3 6AY


M.T. Stower FCA
Clarke & Co.

Chartered Accountants

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st March 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Incoming resources					
Donations and legacies		2,484	-	2,484	8,368
Charitable activities					
a. The Big Lottery Fund		-	71,985	71,985	84,860
b. Other grants receivable		-	155,966	155,966	71,262
Investments					
a. Bank interest receivable		-	-	-	-
Other income					
a. CJRS grant		-	-	-	-
Total incoming resources		<u>£2,484</u>	<u>£227,951</u>	<u>£230,435</u>	<u>£164,490</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities					
a. Costs of furtherance of charitable objects	2	1,986	201,004	202,990	165,161
b. Governance costs	3	3,600	1,332	4,932	4,707
Other					
a. Depreciation on fixed assets		-	-	-	-
Total outgoing resources	4	<u>£5,586</u>	<u>£202,336</u>	<u>£207,922</u>	<u>£169,868</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		(3,102)	25,615	22,513	(5,378)
Transfers between funds		<u>8</u>	<u>(8)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		(3,094)	25,607	22,513	(5,378)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>10,846</u>	<u>18,463</u>	<u>29,309</u>	<u>34,687</u>
Total funds carried forward		<u>£ 7,752</u>	<u>£44,070</u>	<u>£51,822</u>	<u>£29,309</u>

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the Statement of Financial Activity.

The Charity has neither discontinued any of its operations nor acquired new ones.

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet at 31st March 2024

		2024	2023
	Notes	£	£
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets	5	1	1
Current Assets			
Debtors	6	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand		57,750	36,193
		<u>57,750</u>	<u>36,193</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	7	<u>(5,929)</u>	<u>(6,885)</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>51,821</u>	<u>29,308</u>
Total Net Assets		<u><u>£51,822</u></u>	<u><u>£29,308</u></u>
Funds			
Restricted	8	44,070	18,463
Unrestricted	9	7,752	10,846
Total Funds		<u><u>£51,822</u></u>	<u><u>£29,309</u></u>

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee on 25th October 2024 and signed on their behalf by: -


.....
D. Thaddeus


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S. Duce


.....
T. Swithinbank

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2024

1. Accounting Policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1st January 2016) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit as defined by FRS 102.

1.2 Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

At the time of approving the accounts, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

1.3 Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value over the useful economic life of that asset, as follows: -

25% reducing balance basis

1.4 Fund accounts

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the Trustees.

Restricted funds can be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for a particular restricted purpose.

1.5 Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

1.6 Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be easily quantified with reasonable accuracy.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2024

2.	Costs in Furtherance of Charitable Objects	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
	Provision of charitable services				
	Child care and events	1,933	183,814	185,747	150,527
	Support costs				
	Support costs	53	17,190	17,243	14,634
		<u>£1,986</u>	<u>£201,004</u>	<u>£202,990</u>	<u>£165,161</u>
	Analysis of provision of charitable services	Staff Costs £	Other Costs £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
	Child care and events	£140,085	£45,662	£185,747	£150,527
	Support costs			2024 £	2023 £
	Salaries			-	-
	Office costs			9,961	7,894
	Transport costs			1,576	1,334
	Refreshments			5,403	5,406
	Bank charge			218	-
	Sundry costs			85	-
				<u>£17,243</u>	<u>£14,634</u>
3.	Governance Costs	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
	Accountancy fees	3,600	-	3,600	3,600
	Payroll fees	-	1,332	1,332	1,107
		<u>£3,600</u>	<u>£1,332</u>	<u>£4,932</u>	<u>£4,707</u>

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2024

4. Total Resources Expended	Staff Costs £	Other Costs £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
Direct charitable expenditure	140,085	45,662	185,747	150,527
Support costs	-	17,243	17,243	14,634
Governance costs	-	4,932	4,932	4,707
	<u>£140,085</u>	<u>£67,837</u>	<u>£207,922</u>	<u>£169,868</u>

Other costs:	2024 £	2023 £
Rent, rates and storage	6,042	4,327
Insurance	1,312	899
Materials and purchases	11,034	6,481
Kitchen refurbishment	23,643	-
Telephone	120	90
Light and heat	2,018	2,504
Printing, postage and stationery	308	75
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4. Total Resources Expended (contd.)

Particulars of employees:

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	2024	2023
Number of childcare and administration staff	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>

No Trustee or any persons connected to the Trustees has received any remuneration or reimbursed expenses of any kind during the year (2023 - £Nil).

No employee was paid more than £60,000. The key management personnel of the charity comprise the projects co-ordinator. The total remuneration and employee benefit of the key management personnel of the charity for 2024 is £15,132 (2023 - £14,600).

5. Tangible Fixed Assets

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Depreciation	
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	Balance at 31st March 2024		<u>£ 7,752</u>	
10.	Analysis of Net Assets (between restricted and unrestricted funds)	Tangible Fixed Assets	Other Net Assets	Total
		£	£	£
	Restricted funds	-	44,070	44,070
	Unrestricted funds	1	7,751	7,752
		<u>£ 1</u>	<u>£51,821</u>	<u>£51,822</u>

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**Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st March 2024**

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

**2 Forbury Chase
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Financial Statements

for the year ended 31st March 2024

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Reference and Administrative Information

Trustees	D. Thaddeus (Chair) S. Duce (Secretary) T. Swithinbank (Treasurer) D. Catesby R. Pepper E. Parkinson C.C. Harington A. Mason D. Tisshaw C. Norman F. Sharif
Projects Co-ordinator	V.J. Barker
Principal Address	2 Forbury Chase Sherford Street Bromyard Hereford HR7 4DL
Charity Registration Number	1076880
Bankers	National Westminster Bank plc 139 High Street Acton London W3 6LZ
Reporting Accountants and Independent Examiners	Clarke & Co. Acorn House 33 Churchfield Road Acton London W3 6AY

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Annual Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2024

The Trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2024.

Legal Status

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events (A.P.P.L.E.) is registered under the Charities Act 2011, registered number 1076880.

Objectives and Activities of Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

To provide or assist in the provision of facilities for recreation and creative educational activities for children and young people in the interest of social welfare and in order to improve their quality of life.

In setting our objectives and planning our activities, the Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

Structure, Governance and Management

The trust is governed by its constitution, adopted on 7th June 1996 as amended on 25th June 1999, and further amended on 3rd October 2009.

Organisation

The charity is administered by a management committee which is made up of an elected Chair, Secretary and Treasurer plus between four and ten core members. Members are elected at the charity's Annual General Meeting.

The management committee meets three times a year to review the charity's finances and activities. These reviews involve detailed consideration of financial and activity progress reports prepared by the Projects Co-ordinator and Administrator. Management committee meetings adopt an open forum format and majority voting passes all decisions.

In addition to management committee meetings there are several planning meetings each year. The purpose of these meetings is the implementation of decisions made at management committee meetings.

Trustees' Responsibilities

The Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under it require the Trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Trust and of the surplus or deficit for that year. In preparing the Trust's accounts, the Trustees confirm that they have: -

- a) complied with the Charities Act 2011 and regulations;
- b) selected suitable accounting policies and applied them consistently;
- c) made judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- d) followed applicable accountant standards; and
- e) prepared the accounts on a going concern basis.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Trust and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Trust and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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Annual Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2024

Trustees

The Trustees of the charity shall be the honorary officers together with such additional members of the Management Committee that the said officers shall appoint as Trustees from time to time. All Trustees will hold office from the date of their appointment until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the charity, but shall be eligible for re-election at that time.

When electing these persons, consideration is given to their ability to enhance the operation of the charity as a whole.

The Trustees who served during the year were as follows: -

D. Thaddeus	A. Mason
S. Duce	C.C. Harington
T. Swithinbank	D. Tisshaw
D. Catesby	C. Norman (appointed 23.11.2023)
R. Pepper	F. Sharif (appointed 25.11.2023)
E. Parkinson	

Review of Developments, Activities and Achievements

The charity continues to organise and carry out a range of recreational and creative educational activities, primarily funded by local authority and other charitable grants. These activities are available to all, without restriction, save as to numbers. Funding is usually year by year and expenditure is determined by the nature of the activity and the amount of the grant received for each project.

The Trustees are satisfied with the progress made during the year and believe that the charity is capable of maintaining the current level of activities in the next financial year. A.P.P.L.E. were successful in raising funds and completing the building of a new kitchen in November 2023.

Financial Review

The charity is required to incur expenditure in accordance with its funding applications. As such, reserves on restricted funds are minimal and are held only to complete outstanding projects. General reserves are held at their present level to support the administration of the charity and any excess expenditure which may occur on individual projects. The results for the year are shown on page 5 and are considered to be satisfactory by the Trustees.

Signed by order of the Trustees on 25th October 2024.



S. Duce - Secretary

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2024, which are set out on pages 5 to 11.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Trust's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioner. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and the seeking of explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

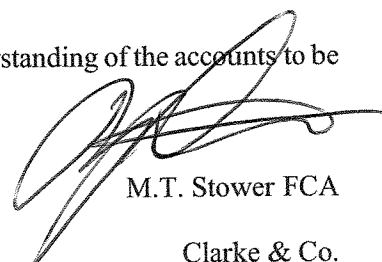
Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention: -

- 1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave not been met; or
- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Date: 25th October 2024

Acorn House
33 Churchfield Road
Acton
London W3 6AY


M.T. Stower FCA
Clarke & Co.

Chartered Accountants

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st March 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2024 £	Total Funds 2023 £
Incoming resources					
Donations and legacies		2,484	-	2,484	8,368
Charitable activities					
a. The Big Lottery Fund		-	71,985	71,985	84,860
b. Other grants receivable		-	155,966	155,966	71,262
Investments					
a. Bank interest receivable		-	-	-	-
Other income					
a. CJRS grant		-	-	-	-
Total incoming resources		<u>£2,484</u>	<u>£227,951</u>	<u>£230,435</u>	<u>£164,490</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities					
a. Costs of furtherance of charitable objects	2	1,986	201,004	202,990	165,161
b. Governance costs	3	3,600	1,332	4,932	4,707
Other					
a. Depreciation on fixed assets		-	-	-	-
Total outgoing resources	4	<u>£5,586</u>	<u>£202,336</u>	<u>£207,922</u>	<u>£169,868</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		(3,102)	25,615	22,513	(5,378)
Transfers between funds		<u>8</u>	<u>(8)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		(3,094)	25,607	22,513	(5,378)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>10,846</u>	<u>18,463</u>	<u>29,309</u>	<u>34,687</u>
Total funds carried forward		<u>£ 7,752</u>	<u>£44,070</u>	<u>£51,822</u>	<u>£29,309</u>

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the Statement of Financial Activity.

The Charity has neither discontinued any of its operations nor acquired new ones.

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet at 31st March 2024

		2024	2023
	Notes	£	£
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets	5	1	1
Current Assets			
Debtors	6	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand		57,750	36,193
		<u>57,750</u>	<u>36,193</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	7	<u>(5,929)</u>	<u>(6,885)</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>51,821</u>	<u>29,308</u>
Total Net Assets		<u><u>£51,822</u></u>	<u><u>£29,308</u></u>
Funds			
Restricted	8	44,070	18,463
Unrestricted	9	7,752	10,846
Total Funds		<u><u>£51,822</u></u>	<u><u>£29,309</u></u>

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee on 25th October 2024 and signed on their behalf by: -


.....
D. Thaddeus


.....
S. Duce


.....
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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2024

1. Accounting Policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1st January 2016) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit as defined by FRS 102.

1.2 Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

At the time of approving the accounts, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

1.3 Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value over the useful economic life of that asset, as follows: -

25% reducing balance basis

1.4 Fund accounts

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the Trustees.

Restricted funds can be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for a particular restricted purpose.

1.5 Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

1.6 Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be easily quantified with reasonable accuracy.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2024

2.	Costs in Furtherance of Charitable Objects	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
	Provision of charitable services				
	Child care and events	1,933	183,814	185,747	150,527
	Support costs				
	Support costs	53	17,190	17,243	14,634
		<u>£1,986</u>	<u>£201,004</u>	<u>£202,990</u>	<u>£165,161</u>
	Analysis of provision of charitable services	Staff Costs £	Other Costs £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
	Child care and events	£140,085	£45,662	£185,747	£150,527
	Support costs			2024 £	2023 £
	Salaries			-	-
	Office costs			9,961	7,894
	Transport costs			1,576	1,334
	Refreshments			5,403	5,406
	Bank charge			218	-
	Sundry costs			85	-
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3.	Governance Costs	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
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	Payroll fees	-	1,332	1,332	1,107
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Accounts



Annual Report

Jan – Dec 2023

"A.P.P.L.E. has always been here since I was little and now, I bring my own child. They have always been welcoming and are important to the community." Carise, Mother of 1



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Chair's Report

Welcome to A.P.P.L.E.'s 2023 Annual Report.

This past year A.P.P.L.E. has been able to run our full programme, made up of our core projects:

- **Food Programme & Eating Together**
- **Art & Creative Projects**
- **Sport & Outdoor Play**
- **Youth, and Family Support**



A.P.P.L.E. continues to provide a safe, nurturing place for children and young people to play, meet their friends and take part in lots of activities.

We see on average 100 children and young people a week in term time at our out-of-school sessions and 200+ a week in the school holidays.

One of our primary aims over this past year has been to re-establish 'old school' A.P.P.L.E. after the disruption of Covid and the ongoing cost of living crisis: playing out, eating together, making stuff, going places and being with friends.

We work to make A.P.P.L.E. welcoming, accepting and easy to be part of. The content of the sessions for children and young people are planned to be engaging and assist in building confidence, developing life skills, enhance education and work opportunities.

The broad aims this year have been:

To develop the provision for the youth group

- **More dedicated time** - Friday Youth is firmly established after the disruption of Covid. This cohort of young people is particularly close knit. They come from all the local high schools and from all over Acton. A.P.P.L.E is their contact place.
- **More youth specific activities** - *"I enjoy the activities, especially table tennis. I enjoy being with my friends and I enjoy talking to the staff here"* BR, 12

- **The youth taking on more responsibility** for their time at A.P.P.L.E., for example, designing projects, planning and prepping trips. The youth group organised a trip to Oxygen in the Easter holiday. The planning being part of the Award scheme.
- **Developing the AAA award scheme** and Jack Petchey Awards - We have updated the whole scheme over the past year and it is now just beginning to get properly established.
- **Encouraging young people** to engage in identifying and planning towards their goals. For example, a 13-year-old girl wants to be an actress. She is very certain about this but has no opportunities to try this out. We are engaged in an ongoing conversation about what is possible, and how to take the next step.
- **To provide a safe space** where the young people feel able to discuss and address their individual issues. For example, this was a worry: *"I worry that I don't fit in, and people think I'm weird. I worry about what people think about me"* and now the same young person says this, *"I like to come to A.P.P.L.E. because it's very fun and welcoming. I can be myself and it feels like home here. Youth night has helped me to open up and talk to people about my problems. I talk to more to people than before, and I can express myself like I always wanted to. Before I was afraid of people not liking that side of me."*

For our primary school age group

- **To offer as wide a range of activities** as we can, particularly those that may not be available in school, for example large scale artwork.
- **To concentrate on physical activities**, group games, crazy activities, for example, Monster Tug-of-war. This has been to boost fitness and wellbeing after Covid, to drive up energy levels and promote positive feelings and hope.
- **To start the year 5/6 children attending cooking and art club on starter AAA awards.** This generates energy and enthusiasm for learning and achieving in practical, fun ways out-of-school. This is a first step for many children, particularly those who find school and academic work difficult (see the current stress levels around the SATs)
- **To make sure we are supporting** those children with additional social and learning needs, particularly those not identified in school. There are an increasing number of children going unsupported who clearly require extra help. *"I think it is amazing what they do with the kid. My child enjoys a lot when we come. He has ADHD and they help him so much"* Nadia (parent)

For families

- **Ensuring those families who need support with food** can access food packs from A.P.P.L.E. - *"Grateful for food for the family as shopping difficult especially with disability and kids with needs"* Sonia (parent)
- **To extend the activities on offer to include younger children** but not to the detriment of our older children and young people. This was a challenge at first. But we have now acquired materials and equipment for younger children and have added suitable art activities.

There are benefits - we have more parents involved and willing to help. Giving the youth dedicated time has balanced the programme out to meet all our user groups.

We have progressed in all the areas outlined above.

It feels as if we are back on track after the disruption of the past few years. It was not as simple as just opening up again. The finances were very difficult which made planning difficult. And the groups felt very fragmented. It has taken this past year for us to gel back together and become properly A.P.P.L.E again.

The benefits for the children and young people have been:

- **confidence** gained through achievement; they acquire skills from taking part in the activities.
- **calm and reassurance** gained by being in a safe supportive environment where they can be themselves and make choices for themselves.
- **improved physical wellbeing** through taking part in the many sports, games, and outdoor play activities.
- **life and work skills** gained through learning to cook, garden, do DIY, take part in workday sessions, lead activities.
- **friendships** gained through the making of new friends through activities outside their home or school group.
- **solace and comfort** gained from friends and staff in an atmosphere of acceptance and support.

The present youth group have become tight knit and very supportive of each other over the past year.



The key achievements over this past year have been:

- **The coming together** of this present cohort of young people. The core of this group range in age from 12 - 15, they attend all different high schools and come from all over Acton. They have become one of the closest groups A.P.P.L.E have had attend. They are kind, and supportive of each other.
- **The enthusiasm.** This group take part in many of the activities. They have become active in planning activities for Friday youth. For example, 'Come Dine with Me' - an event over three Friday sessions in Feb and March, where teams cooked a main course and dessert for their peers and prepared an entertainment, for example Karaoke.
- **The residential trip.** It was on this trip that the group really came together. They were amazingly supportive of each other when encountering challenging and often scary activities. This bonding has extended to the whole group including to those who did not go on the trip and those who have started attending since.

- **Trip to Littlehampton.** A very good day although the weather could have been better. A proper seaside day. The children played on the beach, messed about in the water, built sandcastles, caught crabs, and had a picnic.
- **The establishment of the new AAA awards scheme.** We now have 8 categories of awards – we have arts & cooking awards aimed at year 5/6. These awards are important as they are often a first step in self-development. They introduce to children and young people, who may not be doing well at school, a means of gaining recognition for accomplishments. Self-confidence comes from small achievable goals. 6 of our young people have gone on to achieve Jack Petchy Awards.

The Summer Celebration Party - 20 years in the ARTBLOCK.

A.P.P.L.E held a summer party on Saturday June 24th to celebrate being in the ARTBLOCK for 20 years.

We had a great afternoon. There were lots of games, a chess competition, archery, a beauty tent with stick on tattoos, cake decorating, mask making and lots of food.

The new Ealing Mayor, Cllr Hitesh Tailor attended. We think he had a good afternoon as we heard soon after **we became one of the mayor's chosen charities for the coming year.**



London Garden Scheme – Community Gardens Award

We came 3rd in this year's London Garden Scheme Awards in the community garden category which is a fabulous achievement.



Our food programme goals have all been successfully accomplished and, in many instances, surpassed. It has been at the core of our programme for many years and its importance has only increased over that time. Research shows that healthy eating has lifelong health benefits and in the short-term it can tackle issues with tooth decay and obesity. We have continually offered a healthy main course and dessert at every session, focusing on reducing sugar and meat consumption and eating more vegetables. Most of our meals are vegetarian, and young people are always heavily involved in the preparation of these dishes.

This participation is further encouraged through the AAA's they can receive for cooking which has been a successful initiative, with over 20 children and young people achieving AAA's in cooking, and many more in progress.

A group of 9 young people also ran an "A.P.P.L.E. Come Dine with me" event over three Friday sessions in Feb/March, where teams cooked a main course and dessert for their peers, who each gave a score out of 10 for presentation, hosting, and cooking. *"At youth night I've learnt how to cook. For example, I learnt how to make homemade burgers and Eton Mess. I've also learnt how to work as a team during Come Dine with Me"* Abubakar, 12

Young people have also taken the lead in organising a number of other events including an

Italian-themed day, a Mexican-themed day, and a cake stall to raise funds for the new kitchen. Young people took the lead in the entirety of the organisation of these events, including budgeting, time management, decorating, and of course preparing the dishes. Feedback from cooking events has been hugely positive, with some of our young people showing a greater interest in how specific meals are prepared, and in cooking from scratch.

Our weekly cooking club with the year 5 children at East Acton Primary School, has also had the same effect. Children are motivated to take a greater interest in cooking and healthy eating, and to try new foods, (many were initially much pickier eaters, and hesitant to try any foods unknown to them). Each child has a notebook recording all the recipes they have which they can then replicate at home. We have conducted over 30 sessions with this group.



A.P.P.L.E. actively encourages young people to develop their understanding of where their food comes from and take part in growing fresh fruit and vegetables in the garden. They can then use the produce they have grown to prepare meals for themselves and their peers.

We have continued to open as a food bank for 23 local families struggling due to food insecurity. The number of families we have supported has more than doubled in the last few months, due mostly to the cost-of-living crisis. Feedback from the support offered has been incredibly positive, and we hope to continue to support these struggling families and more moving forward.

Our family programme has continued to run successfully and has grown substantially. We continue to provide regular open-access sessions to all local families on Tuesdays after-school, Saturdays, and during school holidays.

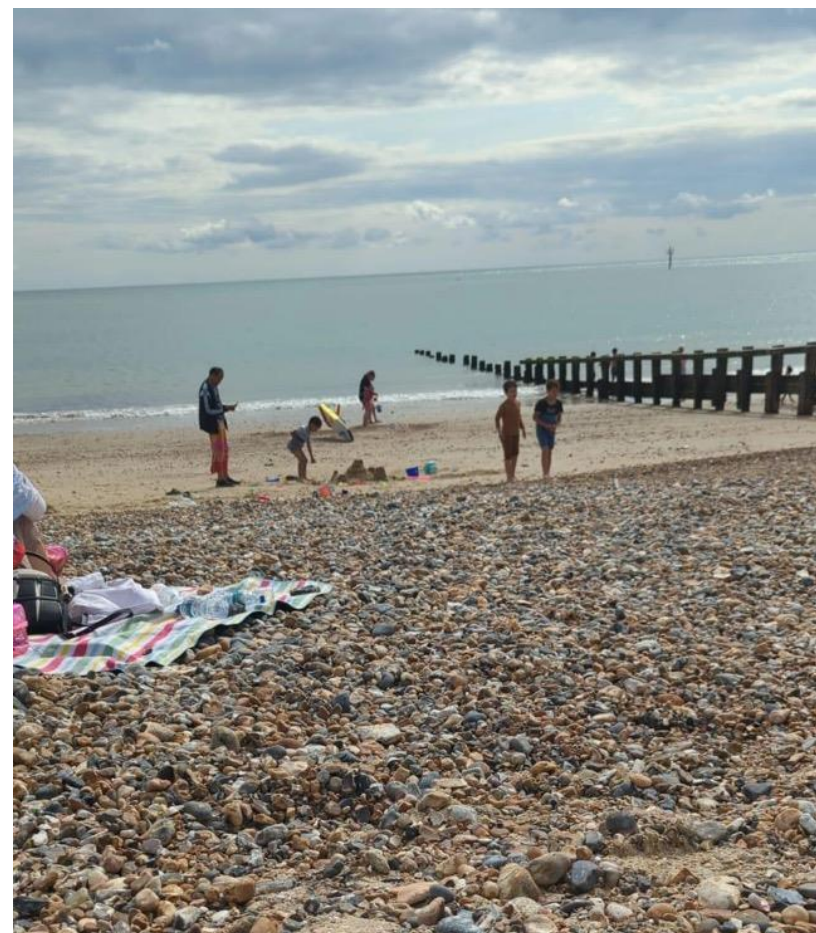
Each session includes cooking activities, unique arts and crafts such as decorating Mexican sugar skulls and creating jungle animals, sports, gardening, DIY and more.

The age range we support has grown noticeably. While previously, we solely catered to young people aged 8 to 16, we are finding more and more under 8's and parents joining us on a weekly basis. Parents are becoming an active part of A.P.P.L.E. helping out whenever possible with baking, setting up and clearing at the end of the day.

In the summer we ran a hugely popular seaside trip to Littlehampton for families, with a total of 54 children and parents attending. For most children, this was the only time they had spent away from London during the summer, and for one of our new refugee families, this was a first-time experience.

As well as this, we conducted a number of community events throughout the summer holiday including a beach party, a summer party, a Halloween party and a Christmas party, all of which have had a large turnout and excellent feedback.

To cater to our growing group of 4-8 year olds we have acquired some smaller outdoor toys including a handful of smaller bikes.



The Kitchen Hub Project has been the big event of the year. Our small, very well used, and tired kitchen has served us well. But the need for a larger space became overwhelming. We have wanted to create a bigger, better equipped kitchen for such a long time.

We started planning in January – first to find the funding and then to set about putting our plan into action. A.P.P.L.E crowdfunded with Spacehive, raising over £20,000. **Thank you to everyone who donated.**

We made our target budget with **thanks to LB Ealing for their generous matched funding and to John Lyons for a further refurbishment grant.** So, with the funding in place we could proceed.

The first stage was to put in place 2 sheds to store all our sports equipment. A **BIG thanks to The Shed**, the company that cleared the ground, laid the foundations, and put up the large shed. We then had to clear our storeroom ready for the transformation into a new kitchen.

The work started after the summer holidays and was completed in the middle of October. **Big thank you to Richard Tripp** for his great work.

We are still getting straight but the kitchen is a huge success.

Thanks to the staff who have worked so hard clearing, sorting, and putting it all back together.



Challenges

The continual challenge is funding - the insecurity makes forward planning very difficult. Emerging from Covid was more difficult than expected, it created problems with planning and staffing (staff illness, staff shortage when furlough ended and before we could apply for project funding). And now we are facing a cost-of-living crisis which directly affects not only everyone who comes to us, but also the availability of funding.

Our building is a continual challenge, but we love it. Earlier this year we began our Kitchen Hub project, and the kitchen has been constructed. We now plan to create our outdoor eating area and develop our kitchen garden to support our food programme.

"I love everything about ARTBLOCK. It is the lair of fun and excitement" NR,13

Projects for the coming year

We aim to develop new projects that make use of our new kitchen space. We have contacted a local group: 'Nourishing Routes', who are developing projects around healthy eating and are interested in working with us.

The second stage of the Kitchen Hub project is planned for the spring. This is to create an outside eating area with the new kitchen door opening out into the garden. This is now in the funding and planning stage.



And following a recent survey with our young people we are planning to create artwork around an animal and environmental theme. *'The World we want is full of animals.'*

This year in pictures ...





Stats 2023

319 individual children and young people have attended over 3 times this year this year.
The group is made up 154 boys, 165 girls.

Our core group is made up of 114 children and young people who attend on a regular basis.

55 countries are represented.

385 individual children and young people attended during the summer holidays.

We served 1145 individual meals in the summer holidays.



Training, work experience and active engagement

We currently have more than 40 children who have both completed and are working towards one or more A.P.P.L.E. Achievement Awards (AAAs). This is a large participation increase since last summer, with more and more individuals wanting to take part in the scheme.

- 16 AAAs to our Year 5/6 in cooking and art.
- 53 young people have taken part in work experience day as Youth helpers/assistance/mentors.

Workdays include tasks towards AAAs. For example, setting up and running an activity.

Through these AAA's children have reported increased confidence, and a greater keenness to test their abilities, as well as stepping outside of their comfort zone to experience new opportunities:

Building resilience - small steps at a time:

Conversation with Hanya:

Hanya: *The first time you are cooking, the very, very first batch might not be perfect, but if you do it again and again it will be perfect.*

Staff: *So, practice makes perfect?*

Hanya: *Yes, so the first one won't be perfect, but the next ones will.*

Staff: *So, you have learnt that through cooking club?*

Hanya: *Yeah*



Summary

The past few years have been extraordinary. Covid and the cost-of-living crisis have meant that we have faced new, unthought of challenges as well as old familiar ones. Housing and poverty were problems before, and bullying and problems at home are not new issues, but the scale and severity of it today is what is new and shocking.

A.P.P.L.E. is a joyous place. It is a place of fun and hope. Throughout this period, we have done what we always do – we have looked at the need and adapted to meet it.

Covid tested our adaptability and ingenuity. What would remain and what would we lose as we all went through it and now, post-covid, how do we all recover in a cost-of-living crisis?

What remains is A.P.P.L.E. itself. A centre open to all, free and welcoming.

What has been shaken for all of us is carefree-ness, optimism, and faith in the future. What we see in our young people is increased anxiety, self-criticism, disaffection, and a detachment from their futures. When talking to young people about their futures there is a hesitation, a 'whatever' approach, a wariness in investing too much. They have learnt that things can change in drastic ways.

Going forward, what is needed is resilience and hope.

We aim to equip our children and young people with the skills and confidence they need to identify and realise their goals. Resilience is built on knowing you belong, self-confidence and accomplishments. Only then can you weather setbacks. We will continue do this by creating a safe, welcoming space where children and young people feel they are valued and can learn new things without pressure or the fear of failure.

And finally, we would like to thank everyone who has supported us this year. Thank you to everyone who donated to the kitchen hub; to Mayor Hitesh Tailor for making us one of his charities of the year; to Richard Thrip who created our lovely new kitchen; to the hardworking members of the committee; to John Lyons and LB Ealing for funding the new kitchen. **And a special thanks to the fantastic staff** who make A.P.P.L.E. such a special place for young people.

David Thaddeus
Chair

APPENDIX 1 - A.P.P.L.E. STAFF, COMMITTEE AND TRUSTEES

A.P.P.L.E. is a registered constituted charity with a Management Committee of Chair, Treasurer and Secretary and six trustees.

There is a core support group of staff. A.P.P.L.E. has a large group of volunteers ranging from regulars to those who come and help for specific projects, e.g. carnivals.

Committee:

Chair: David Thaddeus **Secretary:** Sharon Duce **Treasurer:** Tessa Swithinbank

Trustees: Deborah Catesby, Amanda Mason, Edward Parkinson, Rachel Pepper, Dilys Tisshaw, Kit Harington

Project Coordinator & Co-founder - Vicki Barker

On-site Project Manager - Sam Barker

On-site Building Manager – Jake Barker

On-site Safeguarding Officer – Nella Novy Johnson

On-site administrator – Abigail Leitao

Off-site admin support - Jessica Mason & Sheila Farrell

Lead Youth and Project Workers

Jake Barker

Nella Johnson

Sam Barker

Project Staff

Taranom Mansoubi

Kai Thomas Lewis

Sharnai Christopher

Session workers

Doran Halliday

Laura Barker

Priscilla Mesaque

Gardener

Neville Capil



APPENDIX 2 – FUNDING ORGANISATIONS AND CONTACT LINKS

Our work this year has been supported by:



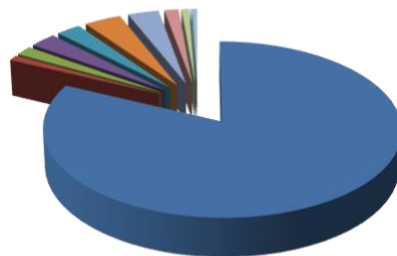
CONTACT LINKS - A.P.P.L.E. has connections with many local organisations.

- We work closely with 2 of our local primary schools. We have run an After School Art Club at John Perryn Primary School for over 20 years and Cooking Club with East Acton Primary School for more than 10 years.
- Organisations we collaborate with, including John Perryn Primary School, Derwentwater Primary School, East Acton Primary School, Artification, LB Ealing: Parks and Leisure, Children's Services, Youth & Connexions, Young Ealing Foundation, Ealing Skateboarding Association, London Youth, City Harvest, ActOne Cinema.
- We have received donations from Churchfield Community Association, Barrett Housing, Volker Fitzpatrick.
- We take part in and put on local events such as, Acton Carnival and Halloween and Summer Parties.

APPENDIX 3 - A.P.P.L.E.'s Annual Accounts for the period 1st April 2022 – 31st March 2023

Accountants: Clarke and Co, Acorn House 33, Churchfield Road, Acton, W3 6AY

EXPENDITURE: £169,868



■ Wages and fees-£139,339	■ Employers Pensions- £1,731
■ Social security costs- £2,976	■ Accountancy and payroll-£4,707
■ Rent and storage-£4,327	■ Materials and equipment-£6481
■ Refreshments-£5,405	■ Utilities-£2,504
■ Transport-£1,334	■ Office costs-£165

INCOME: £164,490



■ Donations -£8,368	■ Big Lottery Grant/s-£84,860	■ Grants- £71,262
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Trustees

D. Thaddeus (Chair)
S. Duce (Secretary)
T. Swithinbank (Treasurer)
D. Catesby
R. Pepper
E. Parkinson
C.C. Harrington
A. Mason
D. Tishshaw

Projects Co-ordinator

V.J. Barker

Principal Address

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Charity Registration Number

1076880

Bankers

National Westminster Bank plc
139 High Street
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Reporting Accountants and Independent Examiners

Clarke & Co.
Acorn House
33 Churchfield Road
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London W3 6AY

Action Play Projects Leisure Events

Annual Report of the Trustees

for the year ended 31st March 2023

The Trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2023.

Legal Status

Action Play Projects Leisure Events (A.P.P.L.E.) is registered under the Charities Act 2011, registered number 1076880.

Objectives and Activities of Action Play Projects Leisure Events

To provide or assist in the provision of facilities for recreation and creative educational activities for children and young people in the interest of social welfare and in order to improve their quality of life.

In setting our objectives and planning our activities, the Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

Structure, Governance and Management

The trust is governed by its constitution, adopted on 7th June 1996 as amended on 25th June 1999, and further amended on 3rd October 2009.

Organisation

The charity is administered by a management committee which is made up of an elected Chair, Secretary and Treasurer plus between four and ten core members. Members are elected at the charity's Annual General Meeting.

The management committee meets three times a year to review the charity's finances and activities. These reviews involve detailed consideration of financial and activity progress reports prepared by the Projects Co-ordinator and Administrator. Management committee meetings adopt an open forum format and majority voting passes all decisions.

In addition to management committee meetings there are several planning meetings each year. The purpose of these meetings is the implementation of decisions made at management committee meetings.

Trustees' Responsibilities

The Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under it require the Trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Trust and of the surplus or deficit for that year. In preparing the Trust's accounts, the Trustees confirm that they have: -

- a) complied with the Charities Act 2011 and regulations;
- b) selected suitable accounting policies and applied them consistently;
- c) made judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- d) followed applicable accountant standards; and
- e) prepared the accounts on a going concern basis.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Trust and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Trust and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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Annual Report of the Trustees

for the year ended 31st March 2023

Trustees

The Trustees of the charity shall be the honorary officers together with such additional members of the Management Committee that the said officers shall appoint as Trustees from time to time. All Trustees will hold office from the date of their appointment until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the charity, but shall be eligible for re-election at that time.

When electing these persons, consideration is given to their ability to enhance the operation of the charity as a whole.

The Trustees who served during the year were as follows: -

D. Thaddeus	E. Parkinson
S. Duce	A. Mason
T. Swinbank	C.C. Harington
D. Catesby	D. Tisshaw
R. Pepper	

Review of Developments, Activities and Achievements

The charity continues to organise and carry out a range of recreational and creative educational activities, primarily funded by local authority and other charitable grants. These activities are available to all, without restriction, save as to numbers. Funding is usually year by year and expenditure is determined by the nature of the activity and the amount of the grant received for each project.

The Trustees are satisfied with the progress made during the year and believe that the charity is capable of maintaining the current level of activities in the next financial year. A.P.P.L.E. is hoping to raise funds for a kitchen extension in the following year.

Financial Review

The charity is required to incur expenditure in accordance with its funding applications. As such, reserves on restricted funds are minimal and are held only to complete outstanding projects. General reserves are held at their present level to support the administration of the charity and any excess expenditure which may occur on individual projects. The results for the year are shown on page 5 and are considered to be satisfactory by the Trustees.

Signed by order of the Trustees on

19 November 2023

S. Duce - Secretary



Action Play Projects Leisure Events
Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Action Play Projects Leisure Events

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2023, which are set out on pages 5 to 11.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Trust's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioner. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and the seeking of explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a true and fair view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention: -

- 1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Date: 14th November 2023

M.T. Stower FCA

Clarke & Co.

Chartered Accountants

Acorn House
33 Churchfield Road
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London W3 6AY

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**Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31st March 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
Incoming resources					
Donations and legacies		8,368	-	8,368	8,029
Charitable activities					
a. The Big Lottery Fund		-	84,860	84,860	83,662
b. Other grants receivable		-	71,262	71,262	81,126
Investments					
a. Bank interest receivable		-	-	-	-
Other income					
a. CJRS grant		-	-	-	280
Total incoming resources		<u>£8,368</u>	<u>£156,122</u>	<u>£164,490</u>	<u>£173,097</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities					
a. Costs of furtherance of charitable objects	2	6,594	158,567	165,161	158,596
b. Governance costs	3	3,400	1,307	4,707	4,690
Other					
a. Depreciation on fixed assets		-	-	-	-
Total outgoing resources	4	<u>£9,994</u>	<u>£159,874</u>	<u>£169,868</u>	<u>£163,286</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		(1,626)	(3,752)	(5,378)	9,811
Transfers between funds		(3,887)	3,887	-	-
Net movement in funds		(5,513)	135	(5,378)	9,811
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		16,359	18,328	34,687	24,876
Total funds carried forward		<u>£10,846</u>	<u>£18,463</u>	<u>£29,309</u>	<u>£34,687</u>

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the Statement of Financial Activity.
The Charity has neither discontinued any of its operations nor acquired new ones.
The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements

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Balance Sheet
at 31st March 2023

	Notes	2023	2022
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets	5	1	1
Current Assets			
Debtors	6	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand		36,193	46,375
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	7	(6,885)	(11,689)
Net Current Assets		29,308	34,686
Total Net Assets		£29,309	£34,687
Funds			
Restricted	8	18,463	18,328
Unrestricted	9	10,846	16,359
Total Funds		£29,309	£34,687

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee on 15-11-2023 and signed on their behalf by: -

D. Thaddus
T. Swithinbank

S. Duce

1.	Accounting Policies	
1.1	Accounting convention	The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1st January 2016) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011. The charity constitutes a public benefit as defined by FRS 102.
1.2	Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis	At the time of approving the accounts, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.
1.3	Depreciation	Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value over the useful economic life of that asset, as follows: - 25% reducing balance basis
1.4	Fund accounts	Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the Trustees. Restricted funds can be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for a particular restricted purpose.
1.5	Resources expended	Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.
1.6	Incoming resources	All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be easily quantified with reasonable accuracy.

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Total Resources Expended			
Staff Costs	Other Costs	Total 2023	Total 2022
<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
144,046	6,481	150,527	144,456
-	14,634	14,634	14,140
-	4,707	4,707	4,690
<u>£144,046</u>	<u>£25,822</u>	<u>£169,868</u>	<u>£163,286</u>
Direct charitable expenditure			
Support costs			
Governance costs			
Other costs:			
		2023	2022
		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Rent, rates and storage	4,327	4,450	
Insurance	899	1,686	
Materials and purchases	6,481	8,434	
Telephone	90	110	
Light and heat	2,504	1,269	
Printing, postage and stationery	75	77	
Accountancy and payroll	4,707	4,690	
Transport	1,334	565	
Refreshments	5,405	5,982	
Depreciation	-	-	
Sundry costs	-	-	
Services	-	1,861	
		<u>£25,822</u>	<u>£29,124</u>
The aggregate payroll costs were:			
	2023	2022	
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	
Employer's pension	1,731	1,373	
Wages and fees	139,339	129,530	
Social security costs	2,976	3,259	
	<u>£144,046</u>	<u>£134,162</u>	

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4. Total Resources Expended (contd.)

Particulars of employees:

The average number of assistants employed by the charity during the financial year amounted to:

	2023	2022
Number of childcare and administration staff	4	4

No Trustee or any persons connected to the Trustees has received any remuneration or reimbursed expenses of any kind during the year (2022 - £Nil).

No employee was paid more than £60,000. The key management personnel of the charity comprise the projects co-ordinator. The total remuneration and employee benefit of the key management personnel of the charity for 2023 is £14,600 (2022 - £13,240).

5. Tangible Fixed Assets

Cost	At 1st April 2022 and 31st March 2023
£1,131	

Depreciation	At 1st April 2022	Charge for the year	At 31st March 2023
1,130	-		£1,130

Net Book Value	At 31st March 2023
£ 1	

	At 31st March 2022
£ 1	

Debtors	2023	2022
	£	£

Other debtors

	£ -	£ -
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7. Creditors	2023	2022
Bank and cash	-	6,270
Grant monies received in advance	1,856	223
Taxation	470	1,596
PAYE/NIC	935	3,600
Accruals	3,624	
	<u>£6,885</u>	<u>£11,689</u>

8. Restricted Funds	
Movement in resources:	
Balance at 1st April 2022	18,328
Net incoming resources	(3,752)
Transfer between funds	3,887
Balance at 31st March 2023	<u>£18,463</u>

This fund represents all grant monies received for specific projects, less related expenditure.

9. Unrestricted Funds	
Movement in resources:	
Balance at 1st April 2022	16,359
Net incoming resources	(1,626)
Transfer between funds	(3,887)
Balance at 31st March 2023	<u>£10,846</u>

10. Analysis of Net Assets (between restricted and unrestricted funds)	Tangible Fixed Assets	Other Net Assets	Total
Restricted funds	-	18,463	18,463
Unrestricted funds	1	10,845	10,846
	<u>£ 1</u>	<u>£29,308</u>	<u>£29,309</u>

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S. Duce (Secretary)
T. Swithinbank (Treasurer)
D. Catesby
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Action Play Projects Leisure Events
Annual Report of the Trustees
for the year ended 31st March 2023

The Trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2023.

Legal Status

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Objectives and Activities of Action Play Projects Leisure Events

To provide or assist in the provision of facilities for recreation and creative educational activities for children and young people in the interest of social welfare and in order to improve their quality of life.

In setting our objectives and planning our activities, the Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

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The management committee meets three times a year to review the charity's finances and activities. These reviews involve detailed consideration of financial and activity progress reports prepared by the Projects Co-ordinator and Administrator. Management committee meetings adopt an open forum format and majority voting passes all decisions.

In addition to management committee meetings there are several planning meetings each year. The purpose of these meetings is the implementation of decisions made at management committee meetings.

Trustees' Responsibilities

The Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under it require the Trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Trust and of the surplus or deficit for that year. In preparing the Trust's accounts, the Trustees confirm that they have: -

- a) complied with the Charities Act 2011 and regulations;
- b) selected suitable accounting policies and applied them consistently;
- c) made judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- d) followed applicable accountant standards; and
- e) prepared the accounts on a going concern basis.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Trust and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Trust and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Annual Report of the Trustees

for the year ended 31st March 2023

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When electing these persons, consideration is given to their ability to enhance the operation of the charity as a whole.

The Trustees who served during the year were as follows: -

D. Thaddeus	E. Parkinson
S. Duce	A. Mason
T. Swinbank	C.C. Harington
D. Catesby	D. Tisshaw
R. Pepper	

Review of Developments, Activities and Achievements

The charity continues to organise and carry out a range of recreational and creative educational activities, primarily funded by local authority and other charitable grants. These activities are available to all, without restriction, save as to numbers. Funding is usually year by year and expenditure is determined by the nature of the activity and the amount of the grant received for each project.

The Trustees are satisfied with the progress made during the year and believe that the charity is capable of maintaining the current level of activities in the next financial year. A.P.P.L.E. is hoping to raise funds for a kitchen extension in the following year.

Financial Review

The charity is required to incur expenditure in accordance with its funding applications. As such, reserves on restricted funds are minimal and are held only to complete outstanding projects. General reserves are held at their present level to support the administration of the charity and any excess expenditure which may occur on individual projects. The results for the year are shown on page 5 and are considered to be satisfactory by the Trustees.

Signed by order of the Trustees on

19 November 2023

S. Duce - Secretary



Action Play Projects Leisure Events
Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Action Play Projects Leisure Events

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2023, which are set out on pages 5 to 11.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Trust's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioner. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and the seeking of explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a true and fair view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention: -

- 1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

have not been met; or

- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Date: 14th November 2023

M.T. Stower FCA

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Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

**Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31st March 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
Incoming resources					
Donations and legacies		8,368	-	8,368	8,029
Charitable activities					
a. The Big Lottery Fund		-	84,860	84,860	83,662
b. Other grants receivable		-	71,262	71,262	81,126
Investments					
a. Bank interest receivable		-	-	-	-
Other income					
a. CJRS grant		-	-	-	280
Total incoming resources		<u>£8,368</u>	<u>£156,122</u>	<u>£164,490</u>	<u>£173,097</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities					
a. Costs of furtherance of charitable objects	2	6,594	158,567	165,161	158,596
b. Governance costs	3	3,400	1,307	4,707	4,690
Other					
a. Depreciation on fixed assets		-	-	-	-
Total outgoing resources	4	<u>£9,994</u>	<u>£159,874</u>	<u>£169,868</u>	<u>£163,286</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		(1,626)	(3,752)	(5,378)	9,811
Transfers between funds		(3,887)	3,887	-	-
Net movement in funds		(5,513)	135	(5,378)	9,811
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		16,359	18,328	34,687	24,876
Total funds carried forward		<u>£10,846</u>	<u>£18,463</u>	<u>£29,309</u>	<u>£34,687</u>

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the Statement of Financial Activity.
The Charity has neither discontinued any of its operations nor acquired new ones.
The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Balance Sheet
at 31st March 2023

	Notes	2023	2022
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets	5	1	1
Current Assets			
Debtors	6	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand		36,193	46,375
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	7	(6,885)	(11,689)
Net Current Assets		29,308	34,686
Total Net Assets		£29,309	£34,687
Funds			
Restricted	8	18,463	18,328
Unrestricted	9	10,846	16,359
Total Funds		£29,309	£34,687

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee on 15-11-2023 and signed on their behalf by: -

D. Thaddus
T. Swithinbank

S. Duce

1.	Accounting Policies	
1.1	Accounting convention	The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1st January 2016) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011. The charity constitutes a public benefit as defined by FRS 102.
1.2	Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis	At the time of approving the accounts, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.
1.3	Depreciation	Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value over the useful economic life of that asset, as follows: - 25% reducing balance basis
1.4	Fund accounts	Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the Trustees. Restricted funds can be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for a particular restricted purpose.
1.5	Resources expended	Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.
1.6	Incoming resources	All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be easily quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st March 2023

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Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st March 2023

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Total Resources Expended			
Staff Costs	Other Costs	Total 2023	Total 2022
<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
144,046	6,481	150,527	144,456
-	14,634	14,634	14,140
-	4,707	4,707	4,690
<u>£144,046</u>	<u>£25,822</u>	<u>£169,868</u>	<u>£163,286</u>
Direct charitable expenditure			
Support costs			
Governance costs			
Other costs:			
		2023	2022
		<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>
Rent, rates and storage	4,327	4,450	
Insurance	899	1,686	
Materials and purchases	6,481	8,434	
Telephone	90	110	
Light and heat	2,504	1,269	
Printing, postage and stationery	75	77	
Accountancy and payroll	4,707	4,690	
Transport	1,334	565	
Refreshments	5,405	5,982	
Depreciation	-	-	
Sundry costs	-	-	
Services	-	1,861	
		<u>£25,822</u>	<u>£29,124</u>
The aggregate payroll costs were:			
	2023	2022	
	<u>£</u>	<u>£</u>	
Employer's pension	1,731	1,373	
Wages and fees	139,339	129,530	
Social security costs	2,976	3,259	
	<u>£144,046</u>	<u>£134,162</u>	

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Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st March 2023

4. Total Resources Expended (contd.)

Particulars of employees:

The average number of assistants employed by the charity during the financial year amounted to:

	2023	2022
Number of childcare and administration staff	4	4

No Trustee or any persons connected to the Trustees has received any remuneration or reimbursed expenses of any kind during the year (2022 - £Nil).

No employee was paid more than £60,000. The key management personnel of the charity comprise the projects co-ordinator. The total remuneration and employee benefit of the key management personnel of the charity for 2023 is £14,600 (2022 - £13,240).

5. Tangible Fixed Assets

Cost	At 1st April 2022 and 31st March 2023
Equipment	£1,131

Depreciation	At 1st April 2022	Charge for the year	At 31st March 2023
	1,130	-	£1,130

Net Book Value	At 31st March 2023
	£ 1

	At 31st March 2022
	£ 1

Debtors	2023	2022
	£	£

Other debtors

	£ -	£ -
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Notes to the Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st March 2023

7. Creditors	2023	2022
Bank and cash	-	6,270
Grant monies received in advance	1,856	223
Taxation	470	1,596
PAYE/NIC	935	3,600
Accruals	3,624	
	<u>£6,885</u>	<u>£11,689</u>

8. Restricted Funds	
Movement in resources:	
Balance at 1st April 2022	18,328
Net incoming resources	(3,752)
Transfer between funds	3,887
Balance at 31st March 2023	<u>£18,463</u>

This fund represents all grant monies received for specific projects, less related expenditure.

9. Unrestricted Funds	
Movement in resources:	
Balance at 1st April 2022	16,359
Net incoming resources	(1,626)
Transfer between funds	(3,887)
Balance at 31st March 2023	<u>£10,846</u>

10. Analysis of Net Assets (between restricted and unrestricted funds)	Tangible Fixed Assets	Other Net Assets	Total
Restricted funds	-	18,463	18,463
Unrestricted funds	1	10,845	10,846
	<u>£ 1</u>	<u>£29,308</u>	<u>£29,309</u>

Accounts

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

**Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st March 2022**

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Financial Statements

for the year ended 31st March 2022

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The Trustees who served during the year were as follows: -

D. Thaddeus	S. Walters (resigned in year)
S. Duce	E. Parkinson
T. Swithinbank	A. Mason
D. Catesby	C.C. Harington
R. Pepper	D. Tisshaw (appointed 23.10.2021)

Review of Developments, Activities and Achievements

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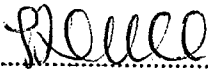
Coming out of the second year of Covid was very challenging financially. The situation has since improved.

The Trustees are satisfied with the progress made during the year and believe that the charity is capable of maintaining the current level of activities in the next financial year. The Trustees are actively seeking premises for the charity. If the charity is successful in securing adequate premises, the Trustees are confident that the charity will continue its expansion in the foreseeable future.

Financial Review

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Signed by order of the Trustees on 24th November 2022



S. Duce - Secretary

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events
Reference and Administrative Information

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Acton Play Projects Leisure Events
Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of
Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2022, which are set out on pages 5 to 11.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Trust's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioner. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and the seeking of explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

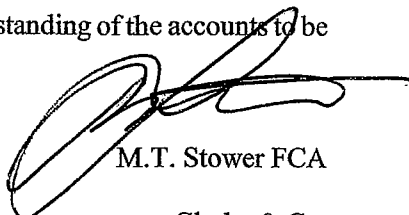
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In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention: -

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 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave not been met; or
- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Date: 25. November 2022

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M.T. Stower FCA
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Chartered Accountants

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st March 2022

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2022 £	Total Funds 2021 £
Incoming resources					
Donations and legacies		8,029	-	8,029	15,613
Charitable activities					
a. The Big Lottery Fund		-	83,662	83,662	42,035
b. Other grants receivable		-	81,126	81,126	74,747
Investments					
a. Bank interest receivable		-	-	-	-
Other income					
a. CJRS grant		280	-	280	13,702
Total incoming resources		<u>£8,309</u>	<u>£164,788</u>	<u>£173,097</u>	<u>£146,097</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities					
a. Costs of furtherance of charitable objects	2	7,603	150,993	158,596	131,054
b. Governance costs	3	2,550	2,140	4,690	4,775
Other					
a. Depreciation on fixed assets		-	-	-	-
Total outgoing resources	4	<u>£10,153</u>	<u>£153,133</u>	<u>£163,286</u>	<u>£135,829</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		(1,844)	11,655	9,811	10,268
Transfers between funds		<u>(6,673)</u>	<u>6,673</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		(8,517)	18,328	9,811	10,268
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>24,876</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,876</u>	<u>14,608</u>
Total funds carried forward		<u>£16,359</u>	<u>£18,328</u>	<u>£34,687</u>	<u>£24,876</u>

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the Statement of Financial Activity.

The Charity has neither discontinued any of its operations nor acquired new ones.

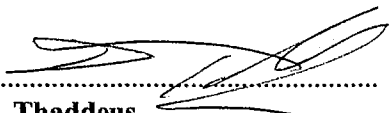
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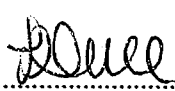
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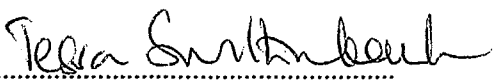
Balance Sheet at 31st March 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets	5	1	1
Current Assets			
Debtors	6	-	5,582
Cash at bank and in hand		46,375	79,218
		<u>46,375</u>	<u>84,800</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	7	(11,689)	(59,925)
Net Current Assets		<u>34,686</u>	<u>24,875</u>
Total Net Assets		<u><u>£34,687</u></u>	<u><u>£24,876</u></u>
Funds			
Restricted	8	18,328	-
Unrestricted	9	16,359	24,876
Total Funds		<u><u>£34,687</u></u>	<u><u>£24,876</u></u>

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee on 24th November 2022 and signed on their behalf by: -


D. Thaddeus


S. Duce


T. Swithinbank

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2022

1. Accounting Policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1st January 2016) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit as defined by FRS 102.

1.2 Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

At the time of approving the accounts, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the Trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the accounts.

1.3 Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of an asset, less its estimated residual value over the useful economic life of that asset, as follows: -

25% reducing balance basis

1.4 Fund accounts

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the Trustees.

Restricted funds can be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for a particular restricted purpose.

1.5 Resources expended

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all costs related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

1.6 Incoming resources

All incoming resources are included in the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be easily quantified with reasonable accuracy.

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2022

2.	Costs in Furtherance of Charitable Objects	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
	Provision of charitable services				
	Child care and events	5,598	138,858	144,456	119,094
	Support costs				
	Support costs	2,005	12,135	14,140	11,960
		<u>£7,603</u>	<u>£150,993</u>	<u>£158,596</u>	<u>£131,054</u>
	Analysis of provision of charitable services	Staff Costs £	Other Costs £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
	Child care and events	<u>£134,162</u>	<u>£10,294</u>	<u>£144,456</u>	<u>£119,094</u>
	Support costs			2022 £	2021 £
	Salaries			-	-
	Office costs			7,593	9,268
	Transport costs			565	-
	Refreshments			5,982	-
	Storage costs			-	2,692
	Sundry costs			-	-
				<u>£14,140</u>	<u>£11,960</u>
3.	Governance Costs	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
	Accountancy fees	2,400	1,200	3,600	3,600
	Payroll fees	150	940	1,090	1,175
		<u>£2,550</u>	<u>£2,140</u>	<u>£4,690</u>	<u>£4,775</u>

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4. Total Resources Expended	Staff Costs £	Other Costs £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Direct charitable expenditure	134,162	10,294	144,456	119,094
Support costs	-	14,140	14,140	11,960
Governance costs	-	4,690	4,690	4,775
	<u>£134,162</u>	<u>£29,124</u>	<u>£163,286</u>	<u>£135,829</u>

Other costs:

	2022 £	2021 £
Rent, rates and storage	4,450	5,600
Insurance	1,686	1,613
Materials and purchases	8,434	8,252
Telephone	110	30
Light and heat	1,269	1,164
Printing, postage and stationery	77	860
Accountancy and payroll	4,690	4,775
Transport	565	-
Refreshments	5,982	2,692
Depreciation	-	-
Sundry costs	-	-
Services	1,861	6,264
	<u>£29,124</u>	<u>£31,250</u>

The aggregate payroll costs were:

	2022 £	2021 £
Employer's pension	1,373	1,075
Wages and fees	129,530	101,222
Social security costs	3,259	2,282
	<u>£134,162</u>	<u>£104,579</u>

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4. Total Resources Expended (contd.)

Particulars of employees:

The average number of assistants employed by the charity during the financial year amounted to:

	2022	2021
Number of childcare and administration staff	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>

No Trustee or any persons connected to the Trustees has received any remuneration or reimbursed expenses of any kind during the year (2021 - £Nil).

No employee was paid more than £60,000. The key management personnel of the charity comprise the projects co-ordinator. The total remuneration and employee benefit of the key management personnel of the charity for 2022 is £13,240 (2021 - £11,717).

5. Tangible Fixed Assets

Cost

At 1st April 2021 and 31st March 2022	<u>£1,131</u>
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Depreciation

At 1st April 2021	1,130
Charge for the year	-
At 31st March 2022	<u>£1,130</u>

Net Book Value

At 31st March 2022	<u>£ 1</u>
At 31st March 2021	<u>£ 1</u>

6. Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Other debtors	<u>-</u>	<u>5,582</u>
	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£5,582</u>

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7.	Creditors -	2022	2021
		£	£
	Bank and cash	-	350
	Grant monies received in advance	6,270	55,762
	Taxation	223	213
	PAYE/NIC	1,596	-
	Accruals	3,600	3,600
		<u>£11,689</u>	<u>£59,925</u>

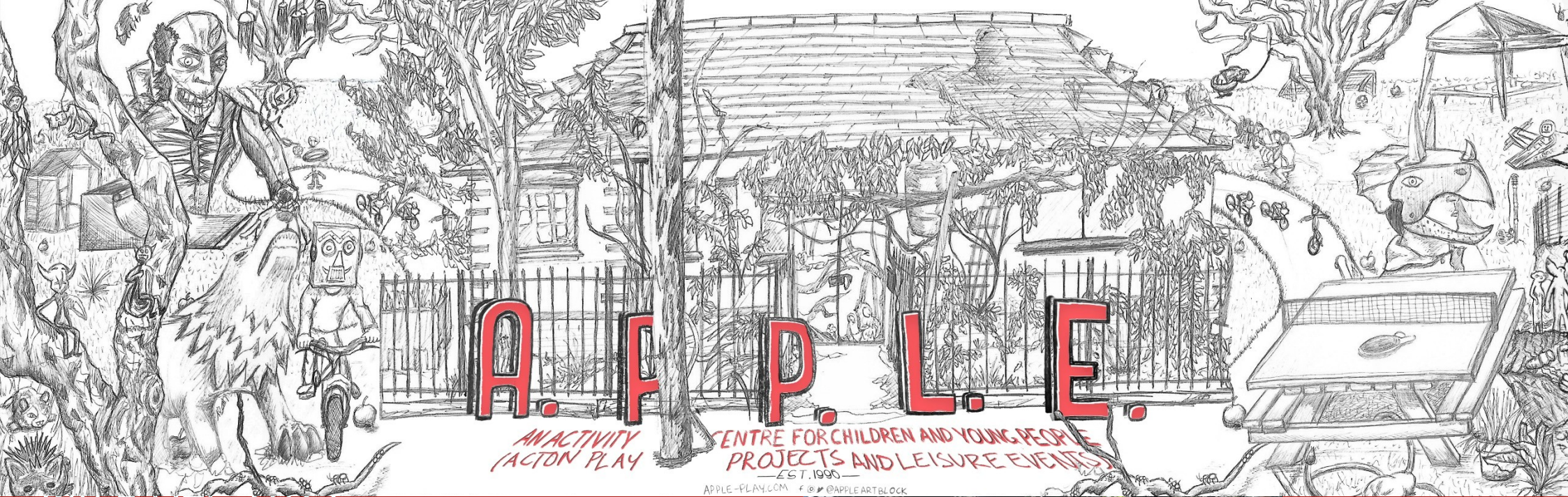
8.	Restricted Funds	£
	Movement in resources:	
	Balance at 1st April 2021	-
	Net incoming resources	11,655
	Transfer between funds	6,673
	Balance at 31st March 2022	<u>£18,328</u>

This fund represents all grant monies received for specific projects, less related expenditure.

9.	Unrestricted Funds	£
	Movement in resources:	
	Balance at 1st April 2021	24,876
	Net incoming resources	(1,844)
	Transfer between funds	(6,673)
	Balance at 31st March 2022	<u>£16,359</u>

10.	Analysis of Net Assets (between restricted and unrestricted funds)	Tangible Fixed Assets	Other Net Assets	Total
		£	£	£
	Restricted funds	-	18,328	18,328
	Unrestricted funds	1	16,358	16,359
		<u>£ 1</u>	<u>£34,686</u>	<u>£34,687</u>

Accounts



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Welcome to A.P.P.L.E.'s 2021 (*Draft*) Annual Report.

It is wonderful to be A.P.P.L.E again. The children, young people and families filled the ARTBLOCK space this summer. Proper, old



school A.P.P.L.E.: exuberant games of tug-of war and dodgeball, creative artwork, lots of food and skateboarding everywhere.

The first half of the year was dominated by Covid-19. The core staff team were on part time furlough and continued 3 days a week with the winter programme of Weekend Packs.

A.P.P.L.E opened for the Easter holidays with limited, booked-in, outdoor art sessions. It was freezing cold, but the children showed up.

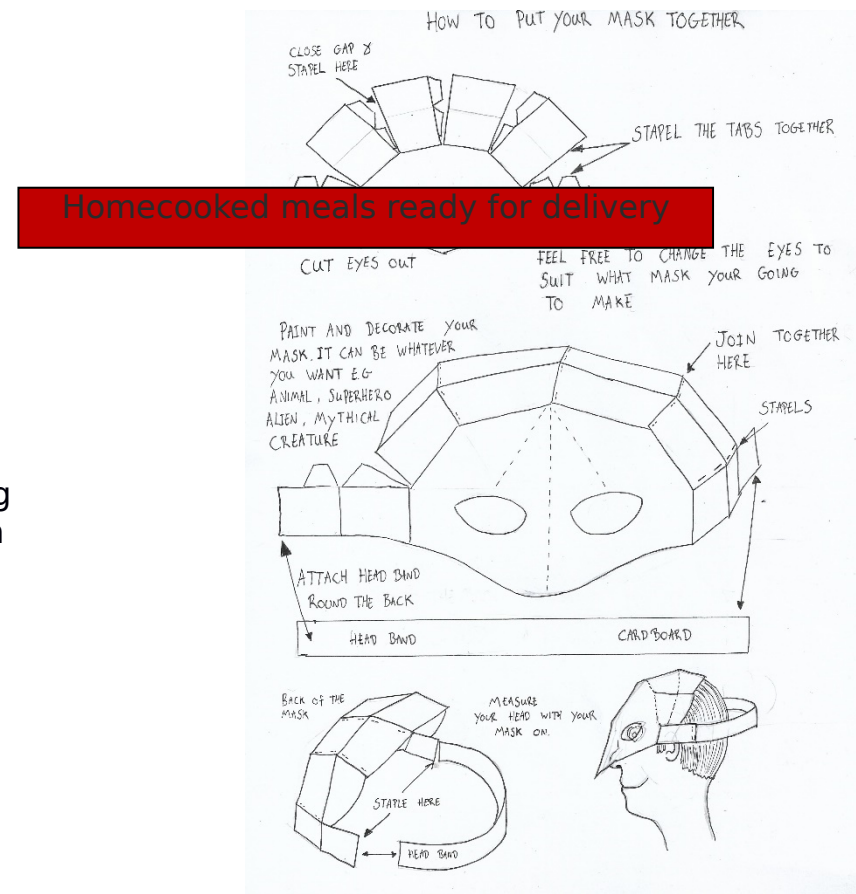
In May, we opened up to almost a full programme. We restarted John Perryn Art Club, East Acton Cooking Club and Tuesday and Saturday drop-in sessions. The only Covid restriction was that all sessions were held outdoors leaving us at the mercy of the weather – which was dreadful.

The summer holidays were though a wonderful release. We were almost back to normal. But the virus is still present, and winter is coming. A.P.P.L.E has always been adaptive, and we continue to develop a programme of activities to fit whatever situation we find ourselves in.

Jan to April

At the start of the year the country was in lockdown. A.P.P.L.E. was continuing with Programme 5: **A.P.P.L.E's The Big Weekend Packs**. The staff were on part-time furlough. The weather was horrible. The activity packs aimed to cheer everyone up and were filled with art and crafts, quizzes, recipes and games.

25 families were registered with A.P.P.L.E. for Weekend Packs.



On Friday afternoons from 2 – 5pm The Weekend Packs were available at the ARTBLOCK for collection comprising:

1. Family take-away meal for up to six persons (pre booked)
2. A weekend activity pack with arts and crafts, cooking activities, a quiz and games.
3. Food bags.



**WEEKEND 17:
CURIOUS CREATURES**



This Weekend we're doing;
A Mythical Creature Quiz
Making A Creature Mask
Being Inspired by Hayao Miyazaki
Baking Flapjacks
Making a Park Course

OPEN PACK



**WEEKEND 16:
AZTEC IDEAS**

This Weekend we're doing;
A Booby Trap Quiz
Making A Spooky Key
Being Inspired by Women



Weekend Packs

A.P.P.L.E opened 3 days a week for the Easter holidays running booked in sessions for art and craft. We stayed with the same set-up that we had put in place the previous summer



We re-registered all our children and young people to ensure that

- i. We had permission to use home contact details to keep in touch
- ii. We could introduce a booking system for sessions
- iii. We could effectively track and trace

We redesigned the work areas inside and outside to make them Covid safe.

We introduced the following safety rules and procedures.

- i. Parents and guardians needed to [register](#) children/young people to access the sessions and the equipment.
- ii. Sessions needed to be booked.
- iii. Social distancing and handwashing required as necessary.
- iv. Sessions could not go ahead if it rained.
- v. No one except staff allowed in the building.
- vi. Children only allowed to use the toilet.

See website (www.apple-play.com)

The weather was really cold but some great artwork was produced



Socially distanced art tables



Deer heads



Shark making

Summer Holiday

These were wonderful - to be open and all activities outdoors except for limited mixture of sports, games, outdoor play



normal as possible). We kept activities. It was the usual

Friday BBQ

Vegetables from the garden

Mexican wrestling masks



Raft building at
Camping



Tug-of-War

Wall climbing at Camping

Yoga in the park



DIY- building Go-carts



A visit from John the Lion at the Summer Tea Party



**Come Dine With Me at
The ARTBLOCK**

**Christmas Give-Away
Packs**

**Mexican Sugar Skull Window
Art**

Thanks

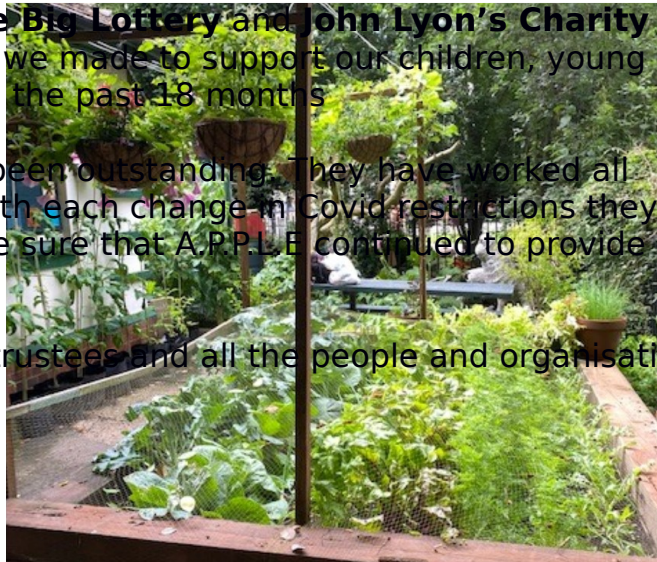
First, to **Neville Capil** our new gardener, who joined us earlier in the year. He has worked hard to get our gardens back in order and producing again. The staff cooked with fruit and veg from the garden every day during the summer holidays. We are looking forward to next year's crop.

A.P.P.L.E would then like to thank **City Harvest** for their contributions of food which have helped support 25 of our families through the past 18 months. It makes a big difference to our food budget .

A.P.P.L.E would like to thank **The Big Lottery** and **John Lyon's Charity** for supporting all the changes that we made to support our children, young people and their families during the past 18 months

Thanks to **the staff** who have been outstanding. They have worked all through the past 18 months. With each change in Covid restrictions they adapted the programme to make sure that A.P.P.L.E continued to provide support safely.

Thanks also to the committee, trustees and all the people and organisations that support A.P.P.L.E



**Cooking fruit and veg from the
garden**

Stats, data and feedback

The beds planted with veg for the summer

Take away food, home made meals and activity bags.

- A.P.P.L.E have supported 25 families (65 children and young people) with weekend give away packs comprising of home cooked meals, food and activity bags
- Provided 1042 sessions places during the summer holidays averaging 41 individuals per session.
- 264 individual children and young people have attended this year. Our core group is made up of 91 children and young people who attend on a regular basis
- Our core group is made up of 45 boys and 43 girls.
- During the summer holidays 6% were under 5 years old, 43% were under 12s, and 56 % were over 12s

Additional information to be added after compilation of survey data.

Future Projects

We had started to develop a new Youth Experience Programme before Covid 19. The aim was to broaden the experience of young people in seeing work opportunities that exist in and around the locality and also to discover and experience the cultural life of London. The plan was for trips to take young people out to see working environments. We piloted one trip before the lockdown to Thames Tideway, the construction company building the new sewage tunnel under the Thames. It was a very successful trip with 6 young people introduced to the huge number of different jobs involved in such a massive project.

We had received one grant from the Joanies Trust to support these trips and youth helpers workdays. The project needs additional funding and preparation.

Summary

WE ARE STILL HERE.

A.P.P.L.E.'s role changed over the past 18 months from a community resource for children and young people, enabling them to realise their goals and take steps in making positive decision for themselves - to an emergency food bank. We always wanted to restore our drop-in and open access way of working as soon as we could. What we have found to be irreplaceable is the casual conversations with children and young people over an activity - a chat in the kitchen while cooking, a young person dropping in after school having had a bad day and eating mac and cheese with a member of staff, all our users being able to come at any time and feel at home, have something to do and someone to hang out with when things are difficult at home or at school. Sitting (masked, socially distanced and outside) with the children and young people at the booked-in art sessions in the Easter holidays was wonderful. Listening to their experiences, both good and bad, about being locked down, home schooling, quarrelling with siblings, being bored, all this was wonderful after the lock down. It reinforced the need to get back to our way of working as soon as possible.

The summer holidays reinforced the need for children, young people and their families to have somewhere to meet and play. A place offering the opportunity to take part in exciting activities, support and friendship.

The staff have been, and continue to be, outstanding in the most difficult of circumstances, they have worked and adapted brilliantly with each change in the Covid-19 pandemic and have continued to provide activities, food and contact for our families, children and young people. They put on a wonderful holiday programme full of joy for all those who came during the summer. Thank you so much to them, and everyone else who has supported and given time to A.P.P.L.E. over the last year.



Artwork made by young people

APPENDIX 1

A.P.P.L.E. STAFF, COMMITTEE AND TRUSTEES

A.P.P.L.E. is a registered constituted charity with a Management Committee of Chair, Treasurer and Secretary and four trustees.

There is a core support group of staff. A.P.P.L.E. has a large group of volunteers ranging from regulars, to those who come and help for specific projects, e.g. carnivals.

Committee:

Chair: David Thaddeus **Secretary:** Sharon Duce **Treasurer:** Tessa Swithinbank

Trustees: Deborah Catesby, Amanda Mason, Edward Parkinson, Rachel Pepper, Sharon Walters , Kit Harington

Project Coordinator & Co-founder - Vicki Barker

On-site Project Manager - Sam Barker

On-site Building Manager – Jake Barker

On-site Safeguarding Officer – Nella Novy Johnson

On-site admin support - Taranom Mansoubi

Off-site admin support - Jessica Mason

Lead Project Workers

Jake Barker

Nella Johnson

Sam Barker

Gardener

Neville Capil

APPENDIX 2

FUNDING ORGANISATIONS

Our work is supported by:



The Joanies Trust

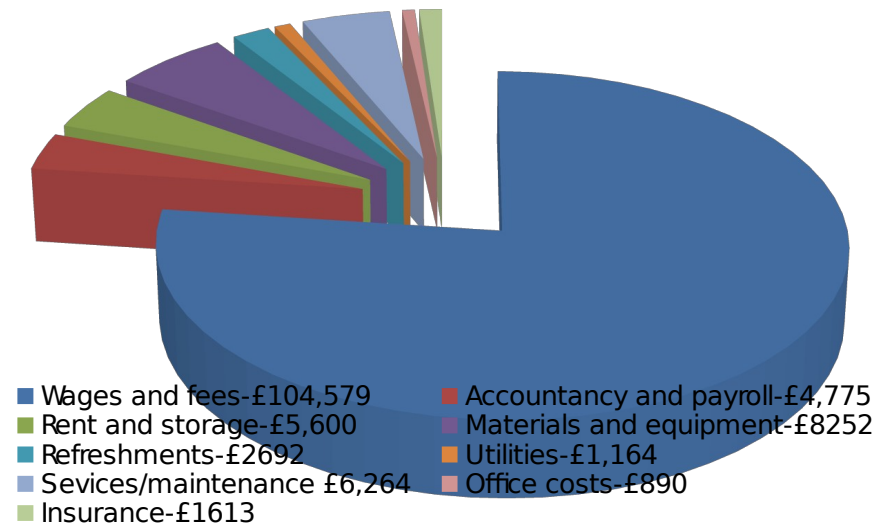
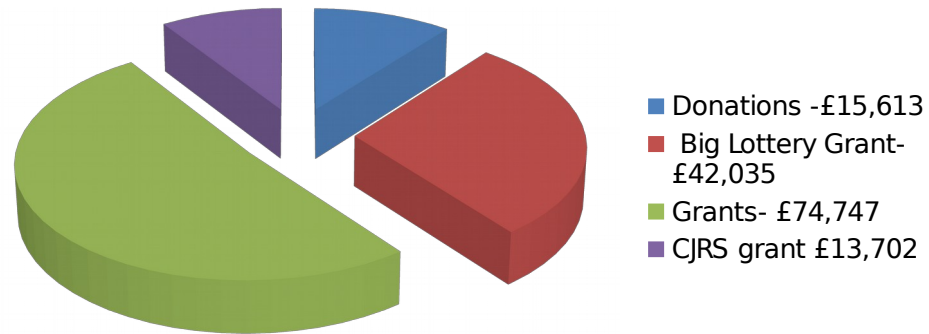
CONTACT GROUPS

Churchfield Community Association ~ John Perryn Primary School ~ East Acton Primary School ~ Artification ~ Derwentwater Primary School ~ LB Ealing: Parks, Environment, Children's Services, Youth & Connexions ~ Trusted Spaces ~ Ealing Skateboard Association ~ Young Ealing Foundation

APPENDIX 3

A.P.P.L.E.'s Annual Accounts for the period 1st April 2020 - 31st March 2021

Accountants: Clarke and Co, Acorn House 33, Churchfield Road, Acton, W3 6AY



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Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

**Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st March 2021**

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

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Financial Statements

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Acton Play Projects Leisure Events
Reference and Administrative Information

Trustees

D. Thaddeus (Chair)
S. Duce (Secretary)
T. Swithinbank (Treasurer)
D. Catesby
R. Pepper
S. Walters
E. Parkinson
C.C. Harington
A. Mason

Projects Co-ordinator

V.J. Barker

Principal Address

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Charity Registration Number

1076880

Bankers

National Westminster Bank plc
139 High Street
Acton
London W3 6LZ

Reporting Accountants and Independent Examiners

Clarke & Co.
Acorn House
33 Churchfield Road
Acton
London W3 6AY

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Annual Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2021

The Trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2021.

Legal Status

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events (A.P.P.L.E.) is registered under the Charities Act 2011, registered number 1076880.

Objectives and Activities of Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

To provide or assist in the provision of facilities for recreation and creative educational activities for children and young people in the interest of social welfare and in order to improve their quality of life.

In setting our objectives and planning our activities, the Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

Structure, Governance and Management

The trust is governed by its constitution, adopted on 7th June 1996 as amended on 25th June 1999, and further amended on 3rd October 2009.

Organisation

The charity is administered by a management committee which is made up of an elected Chair, Secretary and Treasurer plus between four and ten core members. Members are elected at the charity's Annual General Meeting.

The management committee meets three times a year to review the charity's finances and activities. These reviews involve detailed consideration of financial and activity progress reports prepared by the Projects Co-ordinator and Administrator. Management committee meetings adopt an open forum format and majority voting passes all decisions.

In addition to management committee meetings there are several planning meetings each year. The purpose of these meetings is the implementation of decisions made at management committee meetings.

Trustees' Responsibilities

The Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under it require the Trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Trust and of the surplus or deficit for that year. In preparing the Trust's accounts, the Trustees confirm that they have: -

- a) complied with the Charities Act 2011 and regulations;
- b) selected suitable accounting policies and applied them consistently;
- c) made judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- d) followed applicable accountant standards; and
- e) prepared the accounts on a going concern basis.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Trust and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Trust and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Annual Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2021

Trustees

The Trustees of the charity shall be the honorary officers together with such additional members of the Management Committee that the said officers shall appoint as Trustees from time to time. All Trustees will hold office from the date of their appointment until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the charity, but shall be eligible for re-election at that time.

When electing these persons, consideration is given to their ability to enhance the operation of the charity as a whole.

The Trustees who served during the year were as follows: -

D. Thaddeus	S. Walters
S. Duce	E. Parkinson
T. Swithinbank	A. Mason
D. Catesby	C.C. Harington
R. Pepper	

Review of Developments, Activities and Achievements

The charity continues to organise and carry out a range of recreational and creative educational activities, primarily funded by local authority and other charitable grants. These activities are available to all, without restriction, save as to numbers. Funding is usually year by year and expenditure is determined by the nature of the activity and the amount of the grant received for each project.

The charity has obtained funding for a number of projects during the year, all of which have been delivered successfully, within budget. In particular, during the financial year, A.P.P.L.E. was successful in its application to the Big Lottery; £60,000 a year for 4 years has provided A.P.P.L.E. with a sound financial base for future years. The first payment was in November 2020. The start of 2021 was dominated by the Coronavirus. Our main funders, Big Lottery, John Lyons Charity and Children in Need were supportive as we developed new ways of delivering our service to our children and young people.

The Trustees are satisfied with the progress made during the year and believe that the charity is capable of maintaining the current level of activities in the next financial year. The Trustees are actively seeking premises for the charity. If the charity is successful in securing adequate premises, the Trustees are confident that the charity will continue its expansion in the foreseeable future.

Financial Review

The charity is required to incur expenditure in accordance with its funding applications. As such, reserves on restricted funds are minimal and are held only to complete outstanding projects. General reserves are held at their present level to support the administration of the charity and any excess expenditure which may occur on individual projects. The results for the year are shown on page 5 and are considered to be satisfactory by the Trustees.

Signed by order of the Trustees on

23rd October 2021

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S. Duce - Secretary

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2021, which are set out on pages 5 to 11.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Trust's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioner. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and the seeking of explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

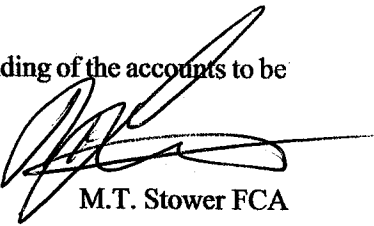
Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention: -

- 1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave not been met; or
- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Date: 23rd October 2021

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33 Churchfield Road
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London W3 6AY



M.T. Stower FCA

Clarke & Co.

Chartered Accountants

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st March 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
Incoming resources					
Donations and legacies		15,613	-	15,613	21,086
Charitable activities					
a. The Big Lottery Fund		-	42,035	42,035	30,000
b. Foyles Foundation		-	-	-	-
c. Other grants receivable		-	74,747	74,747	76,233
Investments					
a. Bank interest receivable		-	-	-	-
Other income					
a. CJRS grant		13,702	-	13,702	-
Total incoming resources		<u>£29,315</u>	<u>£116,782</u>	<u>£146,097</u>	<u>£127,319</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities					
a. Costs of furtherance of charitable objects	2	5,258	125,796	131,054	131,284
b. Governance costs	3	3,108	1,667	4,775	3,813
Other					
a. Depreciation on fixed assets		-	-	-	-
Total outgoing resources	4	<u>£8,366</u>	<u>£127,463</u>	<u>£135,829</u>	<u>£135,097</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		<u>£20,949</u>	<u>£(10,681)</u>	<u>£10,268</u>	<u>£(7,778)</u>
Transfers between funds		<u>(10,681)</u>	<u>10,681</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		<u>10,268</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,268</u>	<u>(7,778)</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>14,608</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,608</u>	<u>22,386</u>
Total funds carried forward		<u>£24,876</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£24,876</u>	<u>£14,608</u>

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the Statement of Financial Activity.

The Charity has neither discontinued any of its operations nor acquired new ones.

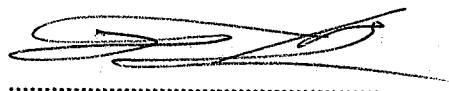
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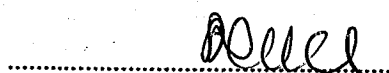
Balance Sheet at 31st March 2021

	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets	5	1	1
Current Assets			
Debtors	6	5,582	
Cash at bank and in hand		79,218	50,824
		<u>84,800</u>	<u>50,824</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	7	<u>(59,925)</u>	<u>(36,217)</u>
Net Current Assets		24,875	14,607
Total Net Assets		<u>£24,876</u>	<u>£14,608</u>
Funds			
Restricted	8	-	-
Unrestricted	9	24,876	14,608
Total Funds		<u>£24,876</u>	<u>£14,608</u>

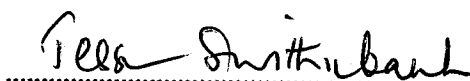
These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee on 23rd October 2021 and signed on their behalf by: -



D. Thaddeus



S. Duce



T. Swithinbank

The notes on pages 7 to 11 form part of these financial statements

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2021

1. Accounting Policies

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention with items recognised at cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant note(s) to these accounts. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1st January 2016) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The charity constitutes a public benefit as defined by FRS 102.

1.2 Preparation of the accounts on a going concern basis

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Movement in resources:	
Balance at 1st April 2020	-
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This fund represents all grant monies received for specific projects, less related expenditure.

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Balance at 31st March 2021	<u>£24,876</u>

10. Analysis of Net Assets (between restricted and unrestricted funds)	Tangible Fixed Assets	Other Net Assets	Total
	£	£	£
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Unrestricted funds	1	24,875	24,876
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**Financial Statements
for the year ended 31st March 2021**

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Reference and Administrative Information

Trustees

D. Thaddeus (Chair)
S. Duce (Secretary)
T. Swithinbank (Treasurer)
D. Catesby
R. Pepper
S. Walters
E. Parkinson
C.C. Harington
A. Mason

Projects Co-ordinator

V.J. Barker

Principal Address

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Charity Registration Number

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Bankers

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Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Annual Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2021

The Trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st March 2021.

Legal Status

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events (A.P.P.L.E.) is registered under the Charities Act 2011, registered number 1076880.

Objectives and Activities of Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

To provide or assist in the provision of facilities for recreation and creative educational activities for children and young people in the interest of social welfare and in order to improve their quality of life.

In setting our objectives and planning our activities, the Trustees have given careful consideration to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

Structure, Governance and Management

The trust is governed by its constitution, adopted on 7th June 1996 as amended on 25th June 1999, and further amended on 3rd October 2009.

Organisation

The charity is administered by a management committee which is made up of an elected Chair, Secretary and Treasurer plus between four and ten core members. Members are elected at the charity's Annual General Meeting.

The management committee meets three times a year to review the charity's finances and activities. These reviews involve detailed consideration of financial and activity progress reports prepared by the Projects Co-ordinator and Administrator. Management committee meetings adopt an open forum format and majority voting passes all decisions.

In addition to management committee meetings there are several planning meetings each year. The purpose of these meetings is the implementation of decisions made at management committee meetings.

Trustees' Responsibilities

The Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under it require the Trustees to prepare accounts for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Trust and of the surplus or deficit for that year. In preparing the Trust's accounts, the Trustees confirm that they have: -

- a) complied with the Charities Act 2011 and regulations;
- b) selected suitable accounting policies and applied them consistently;
- c) made judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- d) followed applicable accountant standards; and
- e) prepared the accounts on a going concern basis.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Trust and enable them to ensure that the accounts comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Trust and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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Annual Report of the Trustees for the year ended 31st March 2021

Trustees

The Trustees of the charity shall be the honorary officers together with such additional members of the Management Committee that the said officers shall appoint as Trustees from time to time. All Trustees will hold office from the date of their appointment until the conclusion of the next Annual General Meeting of the charity, but shall be eligible for re-election at that time.

When electing these persons, consideration is given to their ability to enhance the operation of the charity as a whole.

The Trustees who served during the year were as follows: -

D. Thaddeus	S. Walters
S. Duce	E. Parkinson
T. Swithinbank	A. Mason
D. Catesby	C.C. Harington
R. Pepper	

Review of Developments, Activities and Achievements

The charity continues to organise and carry out a range of recreational and creative educational activities, primarily funded by local authority and other charitable grants. These activities are available to all, without restriction, save as to numbers. Funding is usually year by year and expenditure is determined by the nature of the activity and the amount of the grant received for each project.

The charity has obtained funding for a number of projects during the year, all of which have been delivered successfully, within budget. In particular, during the financial year, A.P.P.L.E. was successful in its application to the Big Lottery; £60,000 a year for 4 years has provided A.P.P.L.E. with a sound financial base for future years. The first payment was in November 2020. The start of 2021 was dominated by the Coronavirus. Our main funders, Big Lottery, John Lyons Charity and Children in Need were supportive as we developed new ways of delivering our service to our children and young people.

The Trustees are satisfied with the progress made during the year and believe that the charity is capable of maintaining the current level of activities in the next financial year. The Trustees are actively seeking premises for the charity. If the charity is successful in securing adequate premises, the Trustees are confident that the charity will continue its expansion in the foreseeable future.

Financial Review

The charity is required to incur expenditure in accordance with its funding applications. As such, reserves on restricted funds are minimal and are held only to complete outstanding projects. General reserves are held at their present level to support the administration of the charity and any excess expenditure which may occur on individual projects. The results for the year are shown on page 5 and are considered to be satisfactory by the Trustees.

Signed by order of the Trustees on

23rd October 2021

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S. Duce - Secretary

Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st March 2021, which are set out on pages 5 to 11.

Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Trust's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 133 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners (under Section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioner. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and the seeking of explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

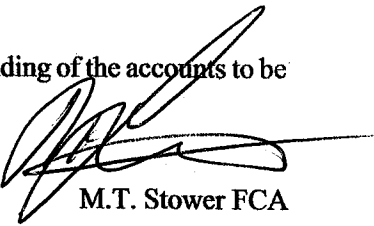
Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention: -

- 1) Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Acthave not been met; or
- 2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Date: 23rd October 2021

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Acton Play Projects Leisure Events

Statement of Financial Activities for the year ended 31st March 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Total Funds 2020 £
Incoming resources					
Donations and legacies		15,613	-	15,613	21,086
Charitable activities					
a. The Big Lottery Fund		-	42,035	42,035	30,000
b. Foyles Foundation		-	-	-	-
c. Other grants receivable		-	74,747	74,747	76,233
Investments					
a. Bank interest receivable		-	-	-	-
Other income					
a. CJRS grant		13,702	-	13,702	-
Total incoming resources		<u>£29,315</u>	<u>£116,782</u>	<u>£146,097</u>	<u>£127,319</u>
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities					
a. Costs of furtherance of charitable objects	2	5,258	125,796	131,054	131,284
b. Governance costs	3	3,108	1,667	4,775	3,813
Other					
a. Depreciation on fixed assets		-	-	-	-
Total outgoing resources	4	<u>£8,366</u>	<u>£127,463</u>	<u>£135,829</u>	<u>£135,097</u>
Net income/(expenditure)		<u>£20,949</u>	<u>£(10,681)</u>	<u>£10,268</u>	<u>£(7,778)</u>
Transfers between funds		<u>(10,681)</u>	<u>10,681</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds		<u>10,268</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>10,268</u>	<u>(7,778)</u>
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward		<u>14,608</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>14,608</u>	<u>22,386</u>
Total funds carried forward		<u>£24,876</u>	<u>£ -</u>	<u>£24,876</u>	<u>£14,608</u>

There are no recognised gains and losses other than those passing through the Statement of Financial Activity.

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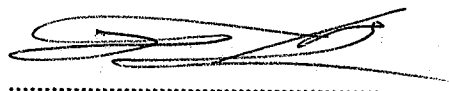
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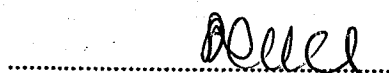
Balance Sheet at 31st March 2021

	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
Fixed Assets			
Tangible assets	5	1	1
Current Assets			
Debtors	6	5,582	
Cash at bank and in hand		79,218	50,824
		<u>84,800</u>	<u>50,824</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	7	<u>(59,925)</u>	<u>(36,217)</u>
Net Current Assets		24,875	14,607
Total Net Assets		<u>£24,876</u>	<u>£14,608</u>
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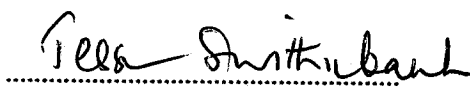
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Notes to the Financial Statements for the year ended 31st March 2021

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