



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1.4.2021 Period start date To 31.03.2022 Period end date

Charity name: Little Acorn Playgroup

Charity registration number: 1083266

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	Little Acorns Playgroup provides safe and stimulating sessional childcare for children from the age of 2. Part of the provision is delivered to families in receipt of Flying Start funded places.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	During this period the playgroup has provided childcare, support and guidance to children and their families. Early intervention support has been accessed and provided for children with ALN. Employment and training opportunities are provided to local people. Numbers of children attending the group is secure , with confidence from families remaining high despite Covid challenges in recent times. Flying Start provision is secure for the group with the location of the setting being in the centre of the eligibility area and also proposal for extension to this eligibility of the next few years. Places in the group are always available and encouraged for all families , and there are positive numbers continuing to access the provision at their personal cost.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	

Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Charity events are held to contribute to everyday running of the playgroup and to purchasing new equipment and resources for the children in our care.
Other		To support and reassure families using our service.

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>The playgroup is open for 50 weeks of the year, with 10 playgroup sessions run every week during termtime. The amount of sessions are reduced through school holidays to ensure viability, however, this provides continuity for the children and their families.</p> <p>We have been able to secure some funding to support term-time funded children's attendance during the school holidays.</p> <p>Staff development continues to be a focus. A member of staff gained a Level 5 Leadership and Management, Child Care Learning and Development qualification during this period.</p> <p>Placements for Childcare students continues to support development and growth of qualified staff from the local area.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	

Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		The group has had the addition of toilet and nappy changing facilities incorporated into the play area hall during the latter part of this period. This has and will continue to have a positive impact on staffing costs due to a reduction in numbers of staff previously needed to support taking children out of the main hall to toilets in another part of the building.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	Reduced income still, due to lasting COVID effects. But overall, better than the previous financial year.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves are in the process of being built up to meet current yet changing responsibilities. COVID had a big hit on any previous reserves we had, but this is a main priority.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	Funds are constantly monitored and altered if necessary, however, the playgroup is in a much better financial position than the previous year.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The principal sources of funds are, government grants, donation and fundraising.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The main risks facing the playgroup is the rising cost of living and inflation, hindering our financial situation. Grant income (per place) remaining static whilst other costs rise is a concern that needs to be monitored closely
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Early Years Wales Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Unincorporated
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Newly or re elected annually

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Little Acorns Playgroup
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1083266
Charity's principal address	Hubberston + Hakin Community Centre Church Road Hubberston Pembrokeshire SA73 3PL

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Emma Newbould	Chairperson		
2	Ebony Hawkings	Secretary		
3	Hannah Taylor	Treasurer		
4	Jackie Taylor			
5	Gareth Virgo			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	Hannah Taylor	
Full name(s)	Hannah Taylor	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Treasurer	
Date	18/02/023	

Little Acorns Playgroup Pembrokeshire	Charity No	1083266	
Annual accounts for the period			
Period start date	01/04/2021	To	Period end date 31/03/2022

Section A Statement of financial activities (including summary income and expenditure account)

Recommended categories by activity	Guidance Note	Unrestricted funds £ F01	Restricted income funds £ F02	Endowment funds £ F03	Total funds £ F04	Prior year funds £ F05
Income (Note 3)						
Income and endowments from:						
Fees	S01	24,607	-	-	24,607	6,488
Grants	S02	61,145	-	-	61,145	68,621
Fundraising	S03	697	-	-	697	492
Donations	S04	110	-	-	110	-
Separate material item of income	S05	-	-	-	-	-
Other	S06	241	-	-	241	-
Total	S07	86,800	-	-	86,800	75,601
Expenditure (Notes 6)						
Expenditure on:						
Wages		76,785	-	-	76,785	70,031
HMRC		1,029	-	-	1,029	-
Rent		3,370	-	-	3,370	1,540
Equipment		2,229	-	-	2,229	6,415
Stationary		198	-	-	198	158
Sundries		281	-	-	281	831
Refreshments		685	-	-	685	401
Training		189	-	-	189	313
Pensions		1,794	-	-	1,794	1,520
Insurance		386	-	-	386	733
Accounts		354	-	-	354	236
Fees		89	-	-	89	-
Total		87,389	-	-	87,389	82,176
Net income/(expenditure) before tax for the reporting period	S13	- 589	-	-	- 589	- 6,575
Tax payable	S14	-	-	-	-	-
Net income/(expenditure) after tax before investment gains/(losses)	S15	- 589	-	-	- 589	- 6,575
Net gains/(losses) on investments	S16	-	-	-	-	-
Net income/(expenditure) Extraordinary items	S17	- 589	-	-	- 589	- 6,575
Transfers between funds	S18	-	-	-	-	-
Other recognised gains/(losses):	S19	-	-	-	-	-
Gains and losses on revaluation of fixed assets for the charity's own use	S20	-	-	-	-	-
Other gains/(losses)	S21	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds	S22	- 589	-	-	- 589	- 6,575
Reconciliation of funds:						
Total funds brought forward	S23	5,829	-	-	5,829	12,404
Total funds carried forward	S24	5,240	-	-	5,240	5,829

Section B Balance sheet

	Guidance Note	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted income funds £	Endowment funds £	Total this year £	Total last year £
		F01	F02	F03	F04	F05
Fixed assets						
Intangible assets (Note 15)	B01	-	-	-	-	-
Tangible assets (Note 14)	B02	-	-	-	-	-
Heritage assets (Note 16)	B03	-	-	-	-	-
Investments (Note 17)	B04	-	-	-	-	-
Total fixed assets	B05	-	-	-	-	-
Current assets						
Stocks (Note 18)	B06	-	-	-	-	-
Debtors (Note 19)	B07	-	-	-	-	-
Investments (Note 17.4)	B08	-	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand (Note 24)	B09	11,286	-	-	11,286	9,905
Total current assets	B10	11,286	-	-	11,286	9,905
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year (Note 20)	B11	6,046	-	-	6,046	4,076
Net current assets/(liabilities)	B12	5,240	-	-	5,240	5,829
Total assets less current liabilities	B13	5,240	-	-	5,240	5,829
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year (Note 20)	B14	-	-	-	-	-
Provisions for liabilities	B15	-	-	-	-	-
Total net assets or liabilities	B16	5,240	-	-	5,240	5,829
Funds of the Charity						
Endowment funds (Note 27)	B17	-	-	-	-	-
Restricted income funds (Note 27)	B18	-	-	-	-	-
Unrestricted funds	B19	5,240	-	-	5,240	5,829
Revaluation reserve	B20	-	-	-	-	-
Fair value reserve	B21	-	-	-	-	-
Total funds	B22	5,240	-	-	5,240	5,829

The company was entitled to exemption from audit under s477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to small companies subject to the small companies regime and in accordance with FRS102 SORP.

Signed by one or two trustees/directors on behalf of all the trustees/directors

Print Name	Date of approval dd/mm/yyyy
HANNAH TAYLOR	23/1/23

Signature of director authenticating accounts being sent to Companies House

Signature	Date dd/mm/yyyy
H Taylor	23/1/23
	Print name



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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Little Acorns Playgroup Pembrokeshire

On accounts for the year
ended

31 March 2022

Charity no
(if any)

1083266

Set out on pages

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Responsibilities and
basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 March 2022.

As the charity trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect,:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date:

23/1/23

Name:

Kathryn Dearing

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

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