



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From **1.4.2022** Period start date To **31.03.2023** 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 continued to provide childcare, support and guidance to children and their families. Early intervention support has been accessed and provided for children with ALN. Financial support was accessed from local community group to fund a training position for a member of staff. 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 criteria over the next few years. Additional places are filled easily with fee paying parents.
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	Para 1.38	

including program related investment		
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	Donations of reusable equipment and resources have been received from groups and individuals in the community
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 and an additional donation was received following a personal challenge with online support.</p> <p>Staff development continues to be a focus. 2 staff have begun their training towards a Higher level of childcare qualification</p> <p>We continue to support training and experience opportunities for childcare students and also vocational opportunities for students still within the school system</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		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The group is in a much better financial position than that of previous years.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves are in the process of being built up again following last years depletion. Based on the financial situation at the end of this year, there should be a good amount in reserves next year.
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, donations and fundraising and individual fees paid.
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

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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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, Treasurer, Chair, etc)

Date 18/02/23



Little Acorns Playgroup Pembrokeshire			Charity No (if any)	1083266	CC17a
Annual accounts for the period					
Period start date	01/04/2022	To	Period end date	31/03/2023	

Section A Statement of financial activities

Recommended categories by activity	Details of own analysis	Note	Restricted			Total this year £	Total last year £
			Unrestricted funds £	income funds £	Endowment funds £		
			F01	F02	F03	F04	F05
Incoming resources (Note 3)							
Incoming resources from generated funds			-	-	-	-	-
Fees		S01	16,405	-	-	16,405	24,607
Grants		S02	85,429	-	-	85,429	61,145
Fundraising		S03	231	-	-	231	697
Donations		S04	19	-	-	19	110
Other		S05	828	-	-	828	241
Other incoming resources			-	-	-	-	-
Total incoming resources		S06	102,912	-	-	102,912	86,800
Resources expended (Notes 4-8)							
Costs of Generating Funds			-	-	-	-	-
Charitable activities		S10	-	-	-	-	-
Wages			79,236			79,236	76,785
HMRC						-	1,029
Rent			3,366			3,366	3,370
Equipment			1,318			1,318	2,229
Stationary			206			206	198
Sundries			337			337	281
Refreshments			768			768	685
Training			405			405	189
Pensions			1,844			1,844	1,794
Insurance			386			386	386
Accounts			160			160	354
Fees			25			25	89
Governance costs		S11	-	-	-	-	-
Other resources expended		S12	-	-	-	-	-
Total resources expended		S13	88,051	-	-	88,051	87,389
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers		S14	14,861	-	-	14,861	- 589
Gross transfers between funds		S15	-	-	-	-	-
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before other recognised gains/(losses)		S16	14,861	-	-	14,861	- 589
Other recognised gains/(losses)							
Gains and losses on revaluation of fixed assets for the charity's own use		S17	-	-	-	-	-
Gains and losses on investment assets		S18	-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		S19	14,861	-	-	14,861	- 589
Total funds brought forward		S20	5,240	-	-	5,240	5,829
Total funds carried forward		S21	20,101	-	-	20,101	5,240

Section B Balance sheet

	Note	Unrestricted funds £ F01	Restricted income funds £ F02	Endowment funds £ F03	Total this year £ F04	Total last year £ F05
Fixed assets						
Tangible assets (Note 9)	B01	-	-	-	-	-
	B02	-	-	-	-	-
Investments (Note 10)	B03	-	-	-	-	-
Total fixed assets	B04	-	-	-	-	-
Current assets						
Stock and work in progress	B05	-	-	-	-	-
Debtors (Note 11)	B06	-	-	-	-	-
(Short term) investments	B07	-	-	-	-	-
Cash at bank and in hand	B08	28,103	-	-	28,103	11,286
Total current assets	B09	28,103	-	-	28,103	11,286
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year (Note 12)	B10	8,002	-	-	8,002	6,046
Net current assets/(liabilities)	B11	20,101	-	-	20,101	5,240
Total assets less current liabilities	B12	20,101	-	-	20,101	5,240
Creditors: amounts falling due after one year (Note 12)	B13	-	-	-	-	-
Provisions for liabilities and charges	B14	-	-	-	-	-
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Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
H. Taylor	HANNAH TAYLOR	10/03/24



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

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On accounts for the year
ended

31 March 2023

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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:

22/2/24

Name:

Kathryn Dearing

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

Address:

Flat 1, Uplands

15 Gloucester Terrace

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