

Contact sheet for the Parent Committee of
The Parade Community Preschool

Friday 25th October 2024

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Details of current Committee

Office	Name
trustees	Tracy Tolley Jo Bennett and Jason Blackman Carol Harris Clive Robinson

Agenda:

Friday October 25th 2024 at 4.15pm via Zoom

Agenda:

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of Previous AGM circulated
3. Matters Arising
4. Chairs Report
5. Bursars Report (budget review and expenditure)
6. Secretary's Report
7. Managers Report
8. Items for discussions (review of child levels - spaces available
- fund raising ideas)
9. Date of Next Meeting
10. Any other business

Minutes

Minutes of Virtual Zoom committee meeting held 25th October 2024 at 4.15pm

Attending: Cathy Robinson, Jayne Whatling, Tracy Tolley, Liz Tunstall, Carol Harris and Clive Robinson

Agenda:

Item 1: Apologies from: Jo and Jason due to work commitments but Re Elected.
(points added via zoom meeting during the day)

Item 2: Minutes for last AGM 20th October 2023. Circulated and Agreed.

Item 3: There was no matter arising.

Item 4: Catherine Robinson gave report on groups progress:

Preschool has 94 children in attendance. This is an increase on September 2023.

The preschool is full to capacity and has a high level of SEN needs.

The preschool held a successful Pink October Fund Raising event and will be holding a Jumper Day for Save the Children.

The setting has resumed stay and play sessions for the Autumn Term. This year they will be held 28th and 29th August.

Parent can still request Virtual tours should they prefer.

Thank you to those of you that have attended this meeting via the requested zoom format.

We understand that many parents are in full time employment and appreciate the time and commitment that you give to preschool.

The preschool will be closed on 2nd December as Staff are having in house Safeguarding training.

The setting has been awarded the National Portage Stamp of Approval Award for delivery of inclusive early years education for the forth year.

The setting continues to work closely with other professionals, such as the Family Hub and Portage to ensure a high standard of care and education. We now hold monthly Parent Hubs with Portsmouth Parent Voice.

Our online learning programme and Facebook Page continues to be successful so we will carry on using many aspects of this to stay connected with our parents at home.

We would like to congratulate Danielle and Alisha for gaining their SENCO accreditation award. Danielle level 2 and Wanda level 3. Well done both of you.

The preschool continues to grow as a team, forever adapting to new styles of learning and restyling our care and teaching to fit in with new guidelines, such as the revised EYFS and the continuation of SEND.

We continue to push the preschool into looking forward on our 25th year! This we will be celebrating with a family picnic in the preschool gardens. We will continue to strive and to continue our professional development as a team and part of our local community.

I would like to thank our returning friends and families of the preschool committee.

And thank you for joining our committee,

Treasurers Report:

The Parade Community Preschool

Unrestricted receipts and payments Accounts

For Year Ending 31 August 2024

Total fees for 31 Aug 2023				£312136.01
Local authority funding				
fundraising				£0
Total fee income				£312136.01

Total staff costs 30 September				£229548.21
Pension costs				£9004.53
HMRC costs				£56112.00
Grocery and cleaning costs				£5112.47
Cleaning bill				£1440.00
telephone				£741.00
Other Wings service contract				£3841.00
Repairs/maintainance				£1611.60
Other substriptions (PCC, Aqua aid, EYA)				£1241.33
rent				£7750.00

Total outgoings				£316402.14
Total Deficit				-4266.13

Total Deficit for 31 August 2024				£-4266.13
Fund Raising				0.00
Total				£0.00

Item 6

Secretary's Report:

Cathy briefed the meeting on the success of Pink Fund Raising and the efficiency of Noodle Now the online E Learning Training.

Team discussed the effects of recent Safeguarding Training and First Aid and as DFE guidelines continue to change. Ofsted gradings have changed but this does not include Early Years.

Item 7: Deputy Manager

I would like to begin by welcoming back our existing committee members and to welcome new parents who may be considering joining our group.

The preschool has 94 children attending which is an increase on last years figures. Our preschool sessions are full.

The setting has face to face open days in the summer to welcome new families. We continue Virtual Tours as these are popular and encourage lots of new parents and children. These are obviously successful and worth continuing for working parents.

The preschool is in a safe financial position but have added continued rising costs due to the cost-of-living crisis. Sadly the setting has been given no additional support to help with funding and the cost-of-living crisis. This obviously continues to cause us concern.

I would like to take the opportunity to congratulate Cathy our manager and lead SENCO for the success of the past years, with the added strain that low funding and the rise in many bills has the future of the preschool.

Thank you to all of those that have attended the meeting virtually.

The preschool feels that parent involvement is very important and can only make for a better preschool community.

Item 8: Cathy further discussed there is no spaces available and has contacted Early Years to notify them of this. The increase in demand for SEN places has also impacted our availability.

Item 9: date of next meeting Friday November 29th at 4.45pm via ZOOM.

Focus for the meeting: plans for the Christmas Party and Christmas Songs. After work staff Christmas meal and party venue. MEETING ENDED 5.45.

