EARLY YEARS NETWORK TOWER HAMLETS

England & Wales · Charity number 1110092

Details

Other names	TOWER HAMLETS PLAYGROUPS AND UNDER 5S ASSOCIATION
Status	Registered
Legal form	Charitable company
Company number	05384205
Registered	2005-06-20
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: TO ENHANCE THE DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION OF CHILDREN AND THE FAMILIES OF CHILDREN UNDER STATUTORY SCHOOL AGE, WITHIN THE LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS BY ENCOURAGING PARENTS TO UNDERSTAND AND PROVIDE FOR THE NEEDS OF THEIR CHILDREN THROUGH COMMUNITY GROUPS.

Activities: We offer capacity building support to early years groups in the voluntary sector in the London borough of Tower Hamlets. We also run a full day care provision.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Advocacy/advice/information, Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** General Charitable Purposes, Education/training, Economic/community Development/employment
- **Who:** Children/young People, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies

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Geography

- **Area of benefit:** LONDON BOROUGH OF TOWER HAMLETS.
- Tower Hamlets

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£413,081	£403,411	-	-
2024-03-31	£404,686	£376,085	-	-
2023-03-31	£328,432	£361,848	-	-
2022-03-31	£367,028	£336,995	-	-
2021-03-31	£343,438	£409,403	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
DOLORES BRAY ASH		
KIM THERESA MAY		
LORRAINE DOOLEY MBE		
TRACY PATRICIA MCCORMACK		

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EARLY YEARS NETWORK TOWER HAMLETS

England & Wales - Charity number 1110092

Accounts

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets

(A company limited by guarantee)

Trustees' Report and Financial Statements

for the year ended 31 March 2025

Company no. 5384205 (England & Wales)

Charity no. 1110092

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Reference and Administration Details

Trustees Report-Statutory Information

Charity Name:	Early Years Network Tower Hamlets
Charity no:	1110092 **Company no:** 5384205

Principle & Registered Office:
Weavers Community Space 15 Kelsey Street Bethnal Green London E2 6HD

Directors and Trustees:	Dolores Bray-Ash	Chair
	Tracy McCormack	Vice-Chair
	Lorraine Dooley	Treasurer Kim May

Company Secretary: Shahista Chaiwalla

Independent Examiner: Mauva Adams
Ma'Leon Accountancy Services Limited
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Bankers: The Co-operative Bank 80 Cornhill London EC3V 3NJ

Solicitors: Bates Wells and Braithwaite
Cheapside House 13 8 Cheapside
London EC2V 6BB

TRUSTEES' REPORT

For the year ended 31 March 2025

The Trustees of Early Years Network Tower Hamlets (EYNTH) present their Annual Report and the audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 March 2025. The Trustees, who are also Directors for the purposes of company law, confirm that the report and financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the charity's Articles of Association, and the Charities SORP (FRS 102).

1. Structure, Governance and Management Legal Structure

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 7 March 2005 and registered as a charity on 20 June 2005. The charity is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association.

The Trustees act as Directors of the charitable company. The charity has no share capital, and each member agrees to contribute £1 in the event of winding up.

Organisational Structure

The charity is managed by a Management Committee of up to 12 members elected at the Annual General Meeting. The Committee is responsible for determining strategy, overseeing governance and ensuring compliance.

The Management Committee met four times during the year.

Operational management is delegated to the Business Manager, who oversees day-to-day activity, staffing, financial administration, and delivery of services across the organisation.

Trustees Serving During the Year

- **Dolores Bray-Ash**, Chair
- **Tracy McCormack**, Vice-Chair
- **Lorraine Dooley**, Treasurer
- **Kim May**

All Trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no remuneration.

2. Recruitment and Appointment of Trustees

Trustees are elected at the AGM or co-opted when vacancies arise. The Board seeks individuals with expertise relevant to early years education, governance, finance, human resources and the voluntary sector.

An induction programme is provided for all new Trustees, covering legal obligations, charity policies, safeguarding duties and an overview of EYNTH's work.

3. Risk Management

The Trustees regularly review the risks facing the charity and maintain a risk management framework covering strategic, financial, operational and compliance risks.

Key risks identified include:

Funding and Financial Stability

Volatility in early years funding presents ongoing risks. The Trustees have mitigated this through:

- diversification of income streams
- improved financial reporting
- strong reserves policy
- scenario planning to manage future uncertainty

Operational Risks

These include staffing capacity, recruitment challenges and safeguarding requirements. EYNTH maintains:

- robust HR procedures
- continuous training and supervision
- compliance with Ofsted and EYFS requirements
- regular safeguarding reviews

Insurance

A comprehensive combined charity insurance policy is in place, covering:

- Employer's liability – **£10m**
- Public liability – **£10m**
- Products liability – **£10m**
- Professional indemnity – **£1M**
- Business interruption – **£400k**

Risk assessments are reviewed regularly and updated in line with Government guidance.

4. Objectives and Principal Activities

The charity's objectives, as set out in its governing document, are:

• To enhance the development and education of children primarily under statutory school age within the London Borough of Tower Hamlets.

• To encourage parents to understand and provide for the needs of their children through community groups.

• To offer continuing support, encouragement and help to these groups.

• To run a nursery providing full day care and pre-school sessional care.

The charity delivers two core areas of activity:

a) Infrastructure Support to Early Years Providers

EYNTH provides representation, information, development and administrative services to voluntary sector early years providers. These include:

- Payroll services
- HR support
- Infrastructure support

These services operate on a chargeable basis.

b) Direct Provision of Childcare

EYNTH manages:

- **Weavers Fields Community Nursery (WFCN)** – full day care for 0-5 year olds
- **Weavers Fields Pre-School** – sessional care for 2–3 year olds

Activities, performance indicators and outcomes are reviewed at each Management Committee meeting to ensure alignment with the charity's aims.

5. Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty under section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

The charity provides significant public benefit by:

- delivering accessible, high-quality early years education
- supporting families facing complex social and economic challenges
- providing specialist support for children with additional needs
- strengthening voluntary sector providers in Tower Hamlets

All Trustees act voluntarily and receive no payment for their contribution.

6. Achievements and Performance Infrastructure Support to Early Years Providers

EYNTH continued to support voluntary sector childcare providers across the borough with the infrastructure support services (HR, payroll, staffing support) which, continue to be widely valued and integral to the sustainability of many settings.

Weavers Fields Community Nursery (WFCN)

WFCN strives to provide high-quality affordable full day care for parents returning to work.

Key Achievements

- **25 children** attended during 2024–2025.
- Regular newsletters and parent communications were maintained.
- Key person relationships ensured strong parental engagement.
- 30 hours funding for working families continued to be offered to all eligible families.
- Prospective parent visits continued on Saturdays, supporting working parents.
- Staff ensure full compliance with Ofsted and the EYFS curriculum.

Weavers Fields Pre-School

The pre-school continues to provide high-quality sessional care for 2- and 3-year-olds.

Key Achievements

- **35 children** attended during 2024–2025.
- Significant increase in children with SEND; staff worked tirelessly to support families, make referrals and manage transitions for children with EHCPs.
- Continued commitment to increasing staffing levels and capacity.

The Trustees commend the professionalism, resilience and dedication of all staff.

7. Financial Review

The Statement of Financial Activities shows a net surplus of £9,670 resulting in total reserves of £678,569 of which £568,181 is unrestricted at 31 March 2025.

The Trustees' reserve policy has been essential in enabling the charity to manage uncertainty and maintain stability.

Staffing Costs

The Trustees remain committed to retaining skilled staff and ensuring financial sustainability. Staff were given a 3.5% pay rise in April 2025.

8. Principal Funding Sources

- Nursery: Fees and 30 hours working families funding
- Pre-school: Early Learning for 2 Year Olds and 3 Year Olds educational grants
- Infrastructure support services: Chargeable service income

9. Investment Policy

Surplus funds are held in an interest-bearing account, while sufficient funds are maintained in the current account to meet day-to-day liabilities.

10. Reserves Policy

The Management Committee maintains reserves equivalent to **12–18 months of annual expenditure**, in line with a calculated assessment of risk and organisational needs.

The policy ensures that the charity can:

- cover known liabilities
- absorb setbacks
- take advantage of opportunities
- maintain stability during sector turbulence

Designated reserves are used when necessary. Without these reserves, the organisation would face significant financial risk.

11. Plans for the Future Infrastructure Support

EYNTH will continue to expand financial support services for voluntary sector childcare providers, strengthening sector resilience.

Weavers Fields Community Nursery

- Support free childcare expansion for 2-year-olds and under 2s
- Maintain a strong waiting list and explore growth options
- Strive to be a center of excellence for childcare in Tower Hamlets

Weavers Fields Pre-School

- Work closely with Children's Centres and the Local Authority to increase capacity and intake

EYNTH remains committed to delivering high-quality early years education across the borough.

12. Acknowledgements Staff

The Trustees thank the staff team for their dedication, resilience and unwavering commitment to children and families.

Trustees

Special thanks to the Management Committee for their strategic leadership and voluntary contribution.

Funders

We thank **London Borough of Tower Hamlets** for funding 2-, 3-year-old and working families childcare funding.

Stakeholders

We thank:

- Parents and guardians
- Children
- Early years providers in Tower Hamlets
- Providence Row Housing Association

Small Company Exemptions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to small companies and with the Charities SORP (FRS 102).

Approval

This report was approved by the Trustees on 20th January 2026 and signed on their behalf by:

Dolores Bray-Ash

Director and Trustee

Tracy McCormack

Director and Trustee

Statement of Directors'/Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees (who are also directors of the Early Years Network Tower Hamlets for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for the year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) for Charities;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees who are also the directors of the Company for the purposes of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the trustees report and accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Independent Examiners Report

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Early Years Network Tower Hamlets for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the company (and also its directors for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ('the 2006 Act.

Having satisfied myself that the financial statements of the Charity are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's financial statements as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5) (b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent examiner's statement

As the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000, your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I can confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the 2006 Act ; or
- the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
- the financial statements do not comply with the accounting requirements under section 396 of the 2006 Act other than any requirement that the financial statements give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the financial statements have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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 financial statements to be reached.

Mauva Adams AAT
Ma'Leon Accountancy Services Limited
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5th Floor, London W1W 5PF

20th January 2026

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets
Statement of Financial Activities

for the year ended 31 March 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted funds 2025 £	Restricted funds 2025 £	Total funds 2025 £	Total funds 2024 £
Income and endowments from:					
Donations and legacies	4	200	-	200	-
Charitable activities	5	387,715	-	387,715	386,509
Investments	6	9,201	-	9,201	7,377
Other	7	15,965	-	15,965	10,800
Total		413,081	-	413,081	404,686
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	8	393,095	-	393,095	376,085
Other	9	10,316	-	10,316	-
Total		403,411	-	403,411	376,085
Net gains on investments		-	-	-	-
Net income	10	9,670	-	9,670	28,601
Transfers between funds		10,316	(10,316)	-	-
Net income before other gains/(losses)		19,986	(10,316)	9,670	28,601
Other gains and losses					
Net movement in funds		19,986	(10,316)	9,670	28,601
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		548,195	120,704	668,899	640,298
Total funds carried forward		568,181	110,388	678,569	668,899

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets

Balance Sheet

at 31 March 2025

Company No. 05384205	**Notes**	**2025**	**2024**
		£	**£**
Fixed assets			
Tangible assets	13	53,574	63,890
Investments	14	-	-
		53,574	63,890
Current assets			
Debtors	15	8,048	24,642
Investments	16	226,286	217,085
Cash at bank and in hand		617,219	628,084
		851,553	869,811
Creditors: Amount falling due within one year	17	(226,558)	(264,802)
Net current assets		624,995	605,009
Total assets less current liabilities		678,569	668,899
Net assets excluding pension asset or liability		678,569	668,899
Total net assets		678,569	668,899
The funds of the charity			
Restricted funds	18		
Restricted income funds		110,388	120,704
		110,388	120,704
Unrestricted funds	18		
General funds		259,409	239,423
Designated funds		308,772	308,772
		568,181	548,195
Reserves	18		
Total funds		678,569	668,899

These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

For the year ended 31 March 2025 the company was entitled to exemption under section 477 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 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of accounts.

Approved by the board on 31 March 2025

Dolores Bray-Ash

Trustee

20th January 2026

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets
Notes to the Accounts

for the year ended 31 March 2025

1 **Accounting policies**

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

Change in basis of accounting or to previous accounts

There has been no change to the accounting policies (valuation rules and method of accounting) since last year and no changes have been made to accounts for previous years.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds	These are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of the general objects of the charity.
Designated funds	These are unrestricted funds earmarked by the trustees for particular purposes.
Revaluation funds	These are unrestricted funds which include a revaluation reserve representing the restatement of investment assets at their market values.
Restricted funds	These are available for use subject to restrictions imposed by the donor or through terms of an appeal.

Income

Recognition of income	Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SoFA) when the charity becomes entitled to, and virtually certain to receive, the income and the amount of the income can be measured with sufficient reliability.
Income with related expenditure	Where income has related expenditure the income and related expenditure is reported gross in the SoFA.
Donations and legacies	Voluntary income received by way of grants, donations and gifts is included in the the SoFA when receivable and only when the Charity has unconditional entitlement to the income.
Tax reclaims on donations and gifts	Income from tax reclaims is included in the SoFA at the same time as the gift/donation to which it relates.
Donated services and facilities	These are only included in income (with an equivalent amount in expenditure) where the benefit to the Charity is reasonably quantifiable, measurable and material.
Volunteer help	The value of any volunteer help received is not included in the accounts.
Investment income	This is included in the accounts when receivable.
Gains/(losses) on revaluation of fixed assets	This includes any gain or loss resulting from revaluing investments to market value at the end of the year.
Gains/(losses) on investment assets	This includes any gain or loss on the sale of investments.

Expenditure

Recognition of expenditure	Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis. Expenditure includes any VAT which cannot be fully recovered and is reported as part of the expenditure to which it relates.
Expenditure on raising funds	These comprise the costs associated with attracting voluntary income, fundraising trading costs and investment management costs.
Expenditure on charitable activities	These comprise the costs incurred by the Charity in the delivery of its activities and services in the furtherance of its objects, including the making of grants and governance costs.
Governance costs	These include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the Charity, including any audit/independent examination fees, costs linked to the strategic management of the Charity, together with a share of other administration costs.
Other expenditure	These are support costs not allocated to a particular activity.

Taxation

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life: 4 years.

Leased assets are amortised over the period of the lease using the 'sum of digits' method.

Freehold investment property

Investment properties are measured initially at cost and subsequently at fair value at each balance sheet date and are not depreciated. All gains or losses are taken to the Statement of Financial Activities as they arise.

Trade and other debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash at bank and on hand, demand deposits with banks and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less and bank overdrafts. In the statement of financial position, bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings or current liabilities. In the Statement of Cash Flows, cash and cash equivalents are shown net of bank overdrafts that are repayable on demand and form an integral part of the company's cash management.

Trade and other creditors

Short term creditors are measured at the transaction price. Other creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Pension costs

The charity operates a defined contribution plan for its employees. A defined contribution plan is a pension plan under which the company pays fixed contributions into a separate entity. Once the contributions have been paid the company has no further payments obligations. The contributions are recognised as expenses when they fall due. Amounts not paid are shown in accruals in the balance sheet. The assets of the plan are held separately from the company in independently administered funds.

Receipt of donated goods, facilities and services

All donated goods, facilities and services received are recognised within incoming resources and expenditure at an estimate of the value to the charity.

2 **Company status**

Early Years Network is a private charitable company limited by guarantee and consequently does not have share capital.

The company meets the definition of a public benefit entity. In the event of the Charity being wound up, the liability of each member in respect of their guarantee is limited to an amount not exceeding £1. The registered address is Weavers' Community Space, 15 Kelsey St, Bethnal Green, London E2 6HD.

Notes to the Accounts

3 **Statement of Financial Activities - prior year**

	Unrestricted funds 2024	Restricted funds 2024	Total funds 2024
	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:			
Charitable activities	386,509	-	386,509
Investments	7,377	-	7,377
Other	10,800	-	10,800
Total	404,686	-	404,686
Expenditure on:			
Charitable activities	376,085	-	376,085
Total	376,085	-	376,085
Net income	28,601	-	28,601
Transfers between funds	11,402	(11,402)	-
Net income before other gains/(losses)	40,003	(11,402)	28,601
Other gains and losses:			
Net movement in funds	40,003	(11,402)	28,601
Reconciliation of funds:			
Total funds brought forward	508,192	132,106	640,298
Total funds carried forward	548,195	120,704	668,899

4 **Income from donations and legacies**

	Unrestricted	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£
	200	200	-
	200	200	-

5 Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£
Service Charges to Playgroups	14,750	14,750	13,250
Nursery Fees & L.A Funding	266,951	266,951	289,345
Pre-School LA Funding	106,014	106,014	83,914
	387,715	387,715	386,509

6 Income from investments

	Unrestricted	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£
Interest Received	9,201	9,201	7,377
	9,201	9,201	7,377

7 Other income

	Unrestricted	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£
Sundry Income and Donations	15,000	15,000	10,800
Other Grants	965	965	-
	15,965	15,965	10,800

8 Expenditure on charitable activities

	Unrestricted	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£
Expenditure on charitable activities			
Service Charges to Playgroups	51,683	51,683	53,703
Nursery Fees & L.A Funding	86,570	86,570	75,338
Pre-School LA Funding	248,506	248,506	243,862
Governance costs			
	6,336	6,336	3,182
	393,095	393,095	376,085

9 **Other expenditure**

	Unrestricted	Total 2025	Total 2024
	£	£	£
Amortisation, depreciation, impairment, profit/loss on disposal of fixed assets	10,316	10,316	-
	10,316	10,316	-

10 **Net income before transfers**

	2025	2024
This is stated after charging:	£	£
Amortisation of intangible fixed assets	10,316	-
Auditors' remuneration	5,660	2,300

11 **Trustee remuneration and expenses**

	2025 Number	2024 Number
Number of trustees paid expenses	1	1
The nature of the reimbursed expenses	No directors/trustees or any person connected with them received remuneration in the year in respect of their services as directors/trustees (2024 £Nil). Travel expenses of £642 (2024 £869) were reimbursed to one (2023 one) director/trustee during the year. No directors/trustees, or any person connected to them or related to the charity, had any personal interest in any contract or transaction. (2023 None). Owing to the nature of EYNTH'S operations, as set out in the trustees 'report, and the composition of its' trustees, transactions may occur with local playgroups with which trustees have a connection. All such transactions are conducted at arm's length and in accordance with EYNTH'S normal procedures.	

12 **Staff costs**

No employee received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

The average monthly number of full time equivalent employees during the year was as follows:

	2025 Number	2024 Number
Representation, Information & Development	1	1
Weavers Fields Community Nursery	8	8
Weavers Fields Pre-School	4	2
	13	11

13 **Tangible fixed assets**

	Weavers Field Pre-School Costs	Office Equipment	Computer Equipment	Total
	£	£	£	£
Cost or revaluation				
At 1 April 2024	180,535	29,551	16,252	226,338
At 31 March 2025	180,535	29,551	16,252	226,338
Depreciation and impairment				
At 1 April 2024	116,647	29,550	16,251	162,448
Depreciation charge for the year	10,316	-	-	10,316
At 31 March 2025	126,963	29,550	16,251	172,764
Net book values				
At 31 March 2025	53,572	1	1	53,574
At 31 March 2024	63,888	1	1	63,890
Net book values of assets held under finance leases and hire purchase contracts and included above				

The company signed a lease in respect of its' premises at 15 Kelsey St on the 19th December 2005 for a period of 26 years. On the 5th of April 2016 the company signed a lease for a period of 20 years in respect of premises at Drapers City Foyer, Mape St, London E2. The amortised costs of the Preschool are set off against the Capital Reserve over the term of the lease on the sum of digits method.

14 **Investments**

Other investments

Short term deposit with Nationwide Bank

	2025	2024
	£	£
Market value of listed investments	226,286	217,085

15 **Debtors**

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade debtors	4,892	21,486
Prepayments and accrued income	3,156	3,156
	8,048	24,642

16 **Current asset investments**

	2025	2024
	£	£
Unlisted investments	226,286	217,085
	226,286	217,085

17 **Creditors:**
amounts falling due within one year

	2025	2024
	£	£
Trade creditors	156,605	196,016
Other creditors	62,564	64,758
Accruals	7,389	4,028
	226,558	264,802

18 **Movement in funds**

	At 1 April 2024	Incoming resources (including other gains/losses)	Resources expended	Gross transfers	At 31 March 2025
	£	£	£	£	£
Restricted funds:					
Restricted income funds:					
	120,704	-	-	(10,316)	110,388
Total	120,704	-	-	(10,316)	110,388
Unrestricted funds:					
General funds	239,423	413,081	(403,411)	10,316	259,409
Designated funds:					
Staff Contingency Fund	98,222	-	-	-	98,222
Financial Services Support Cash Flow Fund	30,000	-	-	-	30,000
Nursery Cash Flow/Contingency Fund	20,000	-	-	-	20,000
Weavers Pre-School Development Fund	25,977	-	-	-	25,977
Training Course Development Fund	65,086	-	-	-	65,086
Office furniture and Equipment Fund	20,000	-	-	-	20,000
Premises Development & Maintenance Fund	42,487	-	-	-	42,487
Health & Safety/Quality Assurance	7,000	-	-	-	7,000
Total	308,772	-	-	-	308,772
Total funds	668,899	413,081	(403,411)	-	678,569

Purposes and restrictions in relation to the funds:
Designated funds:

Staff Contingency Fund	This fund is to cover liabilities arising from contracts of employment with staff and the potential cost of cover for staff redundancies, staff on maternity leave, paternity leave, sick leave and compassionate leave
Financial Services Support Cash Flow Fund	This fund is to support the cash flow problems arising from late payments of grants; and to provide an element of continuity of service in the event of any loss of funding
Nursery Cash Flow/Contingency Fund	This fund provides cash flow cover for the community nursery

Weavers Pre-School Development Fund	As part of commitment to the Early Learning for Two Year Olds Capital Funding agreement, this fund will facilitate the development of the Weavers Fields pre-school and support the cash flow
Training Course Development Fund	This fund is to support the set up of childcare Training Course and to support cash flow issues
Office furniture and Equipment Fund	This fund is to cover the cost of new computers and other new office equipment, furnishings
Premises Development & Maintenance Fund	This provides for the cyclical internal/external refurbishment and development of the premises
Health & Safety/Quality Assurance	This fund is to cover the cost of improvements to health and safety practice and to fund the further development of quality assurance in service provision

19 **Analysis of net assets between funds**

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Total
	£	£	£
Fixed assets	2	53,572	53,574
Net current assets	621,839	3,156	624,995
	621,841	56,728	678,569

20 **Contingent Assets/Liabilities**

Under the terms of the charity's lease of it's premises, a sinking fund is being established from payments made by the charity to the Landlord, amounting to £2,835 per annum over the term of the lease. This sinking fund is to be used by the Landlord to meet
the Landlord's repair obligations outlined in the lease. In the event of the Landlord's repair obligations under the lease being in excess of the sinking fund, the charity can, under the terms of the lease, be called on to fund any shortfall.

21 **Reconciliation of net debt**

	At 1 April 2024	Cash flows	At 31 March 2025
	£	£	£
Cash and cash equivalents	628,084	(10,865)	617,219
	628,084	(10,865)	617,219
Net debt	628,084	(10,865)	617,219

22 **Commitments**

Other commitments	2025	2024
	£	£
Capital commitments contracted for at the end of the financial year for which no provision has been made:	3,009	3,009

Lease commitments

Annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases are as follows:

	2025 Land and buildings £	2025 Other £	2024 Land and buildings £	2024 Other £
Operating leases with expiry date:				
Within one year	15,000	-	15,000	-
In the second to fifth years inclusive	60,000	-	60,000	-
Over five years	105,000	-	120,000	-
	180,000	-	195,000	-

23 **Related party disclosures**

Controlling party

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital; thus no single party controls the company.

EARLY YEARS NETWORK TOWER HAMLETS

England & Wales - Charity number 1110092

Accounts

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets

(A company limited by guarantee)

Trustees' Report and Financial Statements

for the year ended 31 March 2024

Company no. 5384205 (England & Wales)

Charity no. 1110092

Financial Statements for Year Ended 31 March 2024

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Reference and Administration Details

Trustees Report-Statutory Information

Charity Name:	Early Years Network Tower Hamlets	
Charity no:	1110092	
Company no:	5384205	
Principle &Registered Office:	Weavers Community Space 15 Kelsey Street Bethnal Green London E2 6HD	
Directors and Trustees:	Dolores Bray-Ash Tracy McCormack Lorraine Dooley Kim May	Chair Vice-Chair Treasurer
Company Secretary:	Shahista Chaiwalla	
Independent Examiner:	Stuart Edwards & Co Chartered Accountants 124 City Road LONDON EC1V 2NX	
Bankers:	The Co-operative Bank 80 Cornhill London EC3V 3NJ	
Solicitors:	Bates Wells and Braithwaite Cheapside House 138 Cheapside London EC2V 6BB	

Trustees' Report for the year ended 31 March 2024

Structure, Governance and Management

The Trustees of the Early Years Network Tower Hamlets (also known as EYNTH) are pleased to present their Annual Report and Financial Statement for the year ended 31 March 2024.

The trustees, who are also directors under company law, confirm that the financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, the memorandum and articles of association and the Statement of Recommended Practice -Accounting and Reporting by Charities: SORP applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102

Organisational Structure

The process for appointing the charity's trustees is set out in the Memorandum of the Articles of Association. As EYNTH is a charitable company, trustees also act as company directors. The EYNTH has a Management Committee of up to 12 members, who meet four times during the year and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. At present the Committee has four members from a variety of professional backgrounds relevant to the work of the charity. A Business Manager is appointed by the trustees to manage the day-to-day operation of the charity.

Governance and Management

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets (EYNTH) is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 7 March 2005 and registered as a charity on 20 June 2005.

The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company, and is governed under those Articles. The members of the Board of Trustees are elected for three years at the Annual General Meeting (AGM).

Recruitment and appointment of management committee

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law, and, under the company's Articles, are known as members of the Management Committee.

All members of the Management Committee give their time voluntarily and receive no benefit from the charity. The Charity is grateful for this contribution without which the organisation would not function. Any expenses reimbursed by the charity are set out in note 8 to the accounts.

The following Trustees served during the year: Dolores Bray-Ash (Chair), Tracy McCormack (Vice-Chair), Lorraine Dooley (Treasurer) and Kim May

Risk Management

The trustees actively review the major risks facing the charity on a regular basis. The trustees have identified risks and their potential impact in the areas of, operational, financial and compliance. They have established Systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identified in the plan and implemented procedures designed to minimise any potential impact on the charity should those risks materialise.

Significant external risks of funding have led to the development of a strategic plan which will allow for the diversification of funding and activities. Internal controls risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects.

The trustees have again reviewed the organisation's financial situation and the resources available to the organisation. As a result of the organisational annual review, we are pleased with the improved systems for reporting and managing the finances of our organisation.

Procedures are in place to ensure the health and safety of staff, children and visitors to the organisation.

A charity combined insurance policy is in place covering; employer's liability (£10m), public liability (£5m), products liability (£5m), professional indemnity (£250k) and business interruption (£600k).

All risk assessments are reviewed periodically and are reviewed as Government guidance is updated.

Objectives and Principal Activities

Our main areas of charitable activities are based on a) providing representation, Information and development, and administrative services, for early years' providers in the voluntary sector b) to providing Full day care and Sessional care to children and young people and their families through the provision of a nursery setting.

The charity's purposes, as set out in the objects contained in the company's Memorandum of Association, are:

- To enhance the development and education of children and the families of children primarily under statutory school age, within the London Borough of Tower Hamlets, by encouraging parents to understand and provide for the needs of their children through community groups.
- To offer continuing support and encouragement and help to these groups.
- To run a nursery.

We review our aims, objectives and activities at our management committee meetings. The review looks at achievements and plans future outcomes. The review also helps us to ensure that our aims, objectives and activities remain focused on our stated purposes.

Public Benefit

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's 'public benefit: running a charity (PD2) on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

As an addition to our public benefit statement Early Years Network Tower Hamlets board of trustees are all voluntary and act for the organisation without any form of payments.

All our charitable activities are undertaken to further our charitable purposes, as embodied in our Charitable Objects, Vision and Mission Statement, for the public benefit.

Achievements and Performance

Infrastructure Support to Early Years Providers

EYNTH's continued to provide Payroll, Human Resources and infrastructure support Services to early years settings on a chargeable basis. The demand for early years practitioners with Level 3 qualification remains high. Recruiting Level 3-Qualified staff in early year's settings has been an issue for many years. This is due to lack of training opportunities and being a low paid sector.

These achievements evidence the critical role EYNTH plays in supporting the Voluntary Sector Childcare providers in Tower Hamlets.

Weavers Fields Community Nursery

WFCN strive to provide good quality affordable full day care to parents returning back to work. The total number of children who attended the Weavers Fields Community Nursery during the financial year 2023 - 2024 was 27.

Regular newsletters are used to keep in touch with parents and allow good communication. Key persons build relationships with parents on an informal basis and communicate with them regularly about their children's learning journeys and next steps for development. The Trustees, together with management, have continued to offering 30 hours of free childcare, 15 hours of working families childcare funding for over two's and Under 2's to families.

Visits by prospective parents have continued to be on a Saturday which works for majority of working parents however they were unable to see the nursery in action.

The Manager and all staff working in Nursery and Pre-school ensures that the setting complies with Ofsted requirement and the EYFS curriculum.

Weavers Fields Pre-School

The pre-school has been providing fantastic opportunities to funded 2 and 3 year olds children to access quality sessional care provision since September 2018. The pre-school in registered under the same registration as the Weavers Fields Community nursery. The total number of children who attended the pre-school during the financial year 2023 -2024 was 25.

There has been an increase in number of children with Special Educational Need, staff work tirelessly to support families with complex needs, made referrals to speech and language and support transition of children with Educational Health Care plans.

EYNTH will continue to focus on increasing the capacity of children and staff during the coming year.

Financial review

The Statement of Financial Activities shows a net surplus of £28,601 for the year, resulting in reserves standing at £668,899 at 31st March 2024.

The Trustee's reserves policy has enabled the Trustees to consider, plan and react accordingly to the ever-changing circumstances in the knowledge that immediate costs could be met without income.

The national minimum wage saw an increase of 10% which meant that the staff of the low pay scale had seen a significate change in their pay. This had also meant that all the other staff had to have a pay review to reflect these changes. Staff were given a pay rise of 8% in April 24. This will continue to be considered in conjunction with any future forecasting and budgets as the Trustees and management are committed in retaining staff.

Principal Funding Sources

The Financial Support Services project is funded through charging the service users.

The principal funding sources for the Nursery were through fees and the 3 year old nursery educational grant.

The principal funding sources for the Pre-school were through Early Learning for 2 year old and 3 year old nursery educational grant.

Investment Policy

The policy of the Management Committee is to place surplus funds into an interest bearing account whilst maintaining sufficient funds in a current bank account to cover immediate liabilities.

Reserves Policy

The Management Committee ensures that sufficient reserves are maintained to allow the charity to continue to undertake its day to day activities, should any unforeseen circumstances arise. The Management Committee has considered its Reserves Policy in light of the main risks to the organisation. The committee recognises that the organisation needs to have sufficient reserves to allow it to cover known liabilities and contingencies, absorb setbacks and take advantage of change and opportunity. It has therefore established a policy whereby the general funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets held by the charity should be equivalent to between 6 and 12 months of the annual expenditure.

Note 17 sets out an analysis of the designated reserves. The reserves are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity, and the Management Committee are confident that they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding.

Designated reserves are utilised as and when needed. The committee recognises that without the availability of reserves the financial stability of the whole organisation would not have been possible. Such a reserve policy has been invaluable over the past few years.

Plans for the Future

EYNTH will continue to champion the provision of high quality education and care in London Borough of Tower Hamlets. EYNTH will continue to provide support for early year's providers though the infrastructure support that will strengthen the sector during a period of great uncertainty and financial pressure. EYNTH has therefore diversified its income sources to sustain services and increase financial stability.

Infrastructure Support to Early Years Providers

EYNTH will continue to provide "Financial Support services for Voluntary Sector Sessional or Full Daycare Childcare Providers".

Weavers Fields Community Nursery

WFCN welcomes the free childcare initiative for working parents for the two year olds and under two's, to enable parents back to work and for the longer sustainability of the nursery. We will continue to develop and expand Weavers Field Community Nursery with the aim of providing a centre of excellence in child care provision for the local community. We continue to maintain a healthy waiting list of children and we continually explore a number of options as part of the review process to keep the nursery financially sustainable and viable.

Weavers Fields Pre-School

The priority for the pre-school is to recruit more staff to meeting the demands of children on the waiting lists. We will continue to work with the Children Centres and the Local Authority to increase the intake of children.

Acknowledgment

Staff Team
The trustees wish to extend our gratitude to the staff team who have worked tirelessly throughout the year. We are proud of the resilience and relentless determination by the team to meet the needs of children and families. The experience and flexibility have ensured that organisations carried on operating in difficult times. The staff team are undoubtedly the greatest asset of the organisation.

Trustees
EYNTH would like to thank the committee for giving up their free time and providing strategic direct to the organisation in this challenging and exciting time.

Funder
EYNTH would also like to take this opportunity to thank London Borough of Tower Hamlets for the two- and three-year-old funding and the working families funding.

Stakeholders
A special thank you to our Parents/Guardian and Children for their continuous support. Thank you to the early years' providers in Tower Hamlets and Providence Row Housing Association for their continuous support.

Small Company Exemptions

This report has been prepared and delivered in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and with the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (FRS102).

Approval

This report was approved by the trustees on ……. 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

.....
Dolores Bray-Ash, Director and Trustee

.....

Tracy McCormack, Director and Trustee

Statement of Directors'/Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees (who are also directors of the Early Years Network Tower Hamlets for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for the year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) for Charities;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees who are also the directors of the Company for the purposes of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the trustees report and accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31st March 2024 which are set out on pages 10 to 18

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants (England & Wales).

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to an audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, 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 Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 seeking 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities

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.

Stuart Edwards

Stuart Edwards
Chartered Accountant
124 City Road
LONDON
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.....Date

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets
Statement of Financial Activities
& Income and Expenditure Account
For the Year Ended 31st March 2024

	Notes	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total	*2023 Restricted Funds*	*2023 Unrestricted Funds*	*2023 Total*
		£	£	£	*£*	*£*	*£*
Income and endowments from:							
Voluntary income & Grants	3	-	10,800	10,800	-	*5,220*	*5,220*
Investments		-	7,377	7,377	-	*3,584*	*3,584*
Charitable Activities	4	-	386,509	386,509	-	*319,628*	*319,628*
TOTAL INCOME		-	404,686	404,686	-	*328,432*	*328,432*
Expenditure on :		£	£	£	*£*	*£*	*£*
Raising Funds				-			-
Charitable Expenditure							
Representation, Information &	5	-	53,703	53,703	-	*56,076*	*56,076*
Weavers Fields Pre-School	5	-	75,338	75,338	-	*76,696*	*76,696*
Weavers Fields Community N	5	-	243,862	243,862	-	*226,396*	*226,396*
Other :Governance Costs		-	3,182	3,182	-	*2,680*	*2,680*
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENI	5	-	376,085	376,085	-	*361,848*	*361,848*
Net Income/Expenditure for the year							
Net Movement in funds	6	-	28,601	28,601	-	*(33,416)*	*(33,416)*
Transfer between funds		(11,402)	11,402	-	*(11,176)*	*11,176*	-
Funds balances at 1 April 2023		132,106	508,192	640,298	*143,282*	*530,432*	*673,714*
Funds balances at 31 March 2	18	120,704	548,195	668,899	*132,106*	*508,192*	*640,298*

The statement of financial activities include all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets
Balance Sheet
As at 31st March 2024

	Notes		2024	2023
FIXED ASSETS		**£**	**£**	*£*
Tangible assets	**10**		**63,890**	*75,292*
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors	**12**	**24,642**		*17,622*
Investments	**13**	**217,085**		*209,708*
Cash at bank & in hand		**628,084**		*634,752*
		869,811		*862,082*
LIABILITIES				
Creditors : Amounts falling due within one year	**14**	**264,802**		*297,076*
		264,802		*297,076*
NET CURRENT ASSETS			**605,009**	*565,006*
NET ASSETS			**668,899**	*640,298*
			£	*£*
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY				
Unrestricted Funds	**17/18**		**548,195**	*508,192*
Restricted Funds	**15/16**		**120,704**	*132,106*
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS	**18**		**668,899**	*640,298*

The company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, relating to small companies, and no members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The accounts were approved by the trustees on:

..... Date

..... Dolores Bray-Ash Director

..... Tracy McCormack Director

The notes on pages 12 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

Company Registration Number: 5384205

Charity Registration Number: 1110092

Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31st March 2024

1. Accounting Policies

a) Basis of preparation of the financial statements

The financial statements accounts are prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The company has taken advantage of the exemptions available to smaller charities not to prepare a Statement of Cashflows within the financial statements. The functional currency of the Charity is sterling , and the amounts in the financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

b) Legal Status

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets is a private charitable company, limited by guarantee, and registered in England & Wales. The company meets the definition of a public benefit entity. In the event of the Charity being wound up, the liability of each member in respect of their guarantee is limited to an amount not exceeding £1. The registered address is Weavers' Community Space, 15 Kelsey St, Bethnal Green, London E2 6HD.

c) Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources receivable or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose and are available as general funds. Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the management committee for particular purposes. Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund together with any other costs agreed by the donor.

d) Incoming Resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received. Donations are recognised on receipt.

e) Resources expended

The expenses classifed as 'Charitable Activities' are those directly attributable to the general objects of the charity. ' Raising funds' are those expenses incurred in seeking funding for the charity. 'Governance costs' comprise all costs incurred in governing the charity.

f) Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses. Fixed assets with a useful life greater than one year and a purchase price exceeding £500 are capitalised , and depreciated over its expected useful life, usually 4 years. Leased assets are amortised over the period of the lease using the 'sum of digits' method.

g) Impairment of tangible fixed assets

At each reporting date , the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible fixed assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. if such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

h) Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources receivable or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose and are available as general funds. Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the management committee for particular purposes. Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund together with any other costs agreed by the donor.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

i) Resources Expended:
Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature to support them.

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include audit fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.

Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly. Other costs are allocated on an appropriate basis such as staff time or estimated usage.

j) Cash and cash equivalents
Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand , deposits held on call with banks, other short-term liquid investmentswith original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

k) Financial Instruments
The charity has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

l) Employee benefits
The cost of unused holiday entitlements is charged in the period in which the employee services are received.

m) Retirement benefits
Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2. Critical accounting estimates and judgements
In the application of the charity's accounting policies the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3. Voluntary Income from donations & grants

	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total	2023 Restricted Funds	2023 Unrestricted Funds	2023 Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Sundry Income & Donations		**10,800**	**10,800**		*5,220*	*5,220*
HMRC CVJRS		-	**-**		-	**-**
	-	**10,800**	**10,800**	-	*5,220*	*5,220*

4. Income from Charitable Actvities

	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total	2023 Restricted Funds	2023 Unrestricted Funds	2023 Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
L.B.Tower Hamlets :						
~Early Years Service S.L.A.			**-**	-		**-**
~Two Year Olds Capital Funding			**-**	-		**-**
Training Course Income			**-**	-		**-**
Service Charges to Playgroups		**13,250**	**13,250**		*12,950*	*12,950*
Nursery Fees & L.A Funding		**289,345**	**289,345**		*232,805*	*232,805*
Pre-School LA Funding		**83,914**	**83,914**		*73,873*	*73,873*
Sundry		**-**	**-**			**-**
	-	**386,509**	**386,509**	-	*319,628*	*319,628*

5. Charitable Expenditure

	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total	2023 Restricted Funds	2023 Unrestricted Funds	2023 Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Representation, Information & Development		**53,703**	**53,703**	-	*56,076*	*56,076*
Weavers Fields PreSchool		**75,338**	**75,338**		*76,696*	*76,696*
Weavers Fields Community Nursery		**243,862**	**243,862**		*226,396*	*226,396*
	-	**372,903**	**372,903**	-	*359,168*	*359,168*
Governance Costs		**3,182**	**3,182**		*2,680*	*2,680*
Total Spend	**-**	**376,085**	**376,085**	-	*361,848*	*361,848*

Analysis of Charitable Expenditure	Salaries	Other	Total	2023 Salaries	2023 Other	2023 Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Representation, Information & Development	**47,631**	**6,072**	**53,703**	*46,166*	*9,910*	*56,076*
Weavers Fields PreSchool	**45,891**	**29,447**	**75,338**	*47,745*	*28,951*	*76,696*
Weavers Fields Community Nursery	**188,270**	**55,592**	**243,862**	*176,302*	*50,094*	*226,396*
	281,792	**91,111**	**372,903**	*270,213*	*88,955*	*359,168*

	2024	**2023**

6. NET INCOMING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR

This is stated after charging

	£	*£*
Depreciation	**215**	*215*
Independent Examiner's Fees	**2,300**	*2,300*

7. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

	£	*£*
Salaries and Wages	**258,496**	*248,184*
Employer's NI (net of S.M.P.)	**17,986**	*17,065*
Employer's Pension Contribution	**5,330**	*4,957*
	281,812	*270,206*

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000.

The directors/trustees do not receive any remuneration in respect of their services as directors/trustees.

Particulars of employees:

The average weekly number of full-time equivalent employees during the year was as follows :	**F.T.E**	*F.T.E*
	No	*No*
Representation, Information & Development	**0.75**	*0.75*
Weavers Fields Community Nursery	**8.00**	*8.00*
Weavers Fields Pre-School	**2.00**	*2.00*
	10.75	*10.75*

8. TRUSTEE & RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

No directors/trustees or any person connected with them received remuneration in the year in respect of their services as directors/trustees . (2023 £Nil)
Travel expenses of £869 (2023 £354) were reimbursed to one (2023 one) director/trustee during the year. No directors/trustees, or any person connected to them or related to the charity , had any personal interest in any contract or transaction. (2023 None)
Owing to the nature of EYNTH'S operations, as set out in the trustees 'report, and the composition of its' trustees, transactions may occur with local playgroups with which trustees have a connection. All such transactions are conducted at arm's length and in accordance with EYNTH'S normal procedures.

There were no other related party transactions during the year.

9. TAXATION

The charitable company is exempt from corporation tax on its' charitable activities.

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Office Equipment	Computer Equipment	Weavers Field Pre-School Costs	Total
Cost	£	£	£	£
Opening Balance	29,551	16,252	180,535	226,338
Additions				-
Closing Balance	29,551	16,252	180,535	226,338
Depreciation/Amortisation				
Opening Balance	29,550	16,037	105,245	121,282
Charge for the year		215	11,402	11,617
Closing Balance	29,550	16,252	116,647	132,899
NET BOOK VALUE	1	1	63,888	63,890
NET BOOK VALUE LAST YEAR	1	215	75,290	75,506

The company signed a lease in respect of its' premises at 15 Kelsey St on the 19th December 2005 for a period of 26 years. On the 5th April 2016 the company signed a lease for a period of 20 years in respect of premises at Drapers City Foyer,Mape St,London E2. The amortised costs of the PreSchool are set off against the Capital Reserve over the term of the lease on the sum of digits method.

11. Financial Instruments

	2024	*2023*
	£	*£*
Carrying amount of financial assets		
Debt instruments measured at amortised cost (Operating debt 0% Interest)	**24,642**	*17,622*
Debt instruments measured at amortised cost (Investment debt at 0.75% Interest, 12 month deposit maturing October 2021)	**217,085**	*209,708*
Carrying amount of financial liabilities	**£**	*£*
Measured at amortised cost	**264,802**	*296,753*

12. DEBTORS & PREPAYMENTS

	£	*£*
Trade Debtors	**21,486**	*14,005*
Prepayments & Accrued Income	**3,156**	*3,617*
	24,642	*17,622*

13. INVESTMENTS

	£	*£*
Short term deposit with Nationwide Bank	**217,085**	*209,708*
	£	*£*
Opening Balance	**209,708**	*206,124*
Interest Received	**7,377**	*3,584*
Closing Balance	**217,085**	*209,708*

14. CREDITORS :Amounts falling due within one year:

	£	*£*
Trade Creditors	**196,016**	**225,823**
Taxation and Social Security	**-**	**-**
Other Creditors & Accrued Income	**68,786**	**70,930**
Bank Overdraft		
	264,802	**296,753**

15. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Representation, Information , Development	Weavers Field Community Nursery	Weavers Field Pre-School	Total	*2023*
Grant Income	**£**	**£**	**£**	**£**	*£*
L.B.Tower Hamlets:					
~Early Years Service S.L.A.	**-**			**-**	**-**
	-	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
	£	**£**	**£**	**£**	*£*
Direct Charitable Expenditure					
Representation, Information & Development				-	**-**
Weavers Fields Community Nursery				-	-
	-	**-**	**-**	**-**	-
Net Incoming/Outgoing Resources	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Funds Brought Forward	**54,316**	**2,500**	**86,466**	**143,282**	*156,585*
Transfer (to)/from general funds			**(11,402)**	**(11,402)**	*(13,303)*
Funds Carried forward	**54,316**	**2,500**	**75,064**	**131,880**	*143,282*

The transfer of £11,402 represents 8th year of amortisation of the building costs in developing the Weavers Field Pre-School

In accordance with Section 37 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, we confirm that the funding below from the L.B. Of Tower Hamlets was used for the purposes for which it was given, as follows:

	At 1st April 2023	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfer	At 31st March 2024
	£	**£**	**£**	**£**	**£**
Early Years Professionals Fund	**2,500**				**2,500**
	2,500	**-**	**-**	**-**	**2,500**

16. MOVEMENT IN RESTRICTED FUNDS

	At 1st April 2023	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfer	At 31st March 2024
L.B.Tower Hamlets:	**£**	**£**	**£**	**£**	**£**
~Early Years Service S.L.A.	**-**	**-**	**-**		**-**
~Nursery Funding	**2,500**				**2,500**
~Two Year Olds Capital Funding	**86,466**			**(11,402)**	**75,064**
Restricted Reserve	**54,316**				**54,316**
	143,282	**-**	**-**	**(11,402)**	**131,880**

Purpose of Funding

Early Years Service S.L.A.- to fund the infrastructure support services to Early Years Groups.
NurseryFunds - to fund training of Early Years Professionals
Two Year Olds Capital Funding- to Fund Development of Weavers Field Pre-School
Restricted Reserve Fund - to fund representation, development, training and support to Early Years Groups.

17. DESIGNATED FUNDS

		At 1st April 2023	Transfers	At 31st March 2024
		£	£	£
a	Staff Contingency Fund	98,222		98,222
b	Financial Services Support Cash Flow Fund	30,000		30,000
c	Nursery Cash Flow/Contingency Fund	20,000		20,000
d	Weavers Pre-School Development Fund	25,977		25,977
e	Training Course Development Fund	65,086		65,086
f	Office furniture and Equipment Fund	20,000		20,000
g	Premises Development & Maintenance Fund	42,487		42,487
h	Health & Safety/Quality Assurance	7,000		7,000
		308,772	-	308,772

Designated Funds

a This fund is to cover liabilities arising from contracts of employment with staff and the potential cost of cover for staff redundencies, staff on maternity leave, paternity leave, sick leave and compansionate leave.

b This fund is to support the cash flow problems arising from late payments of grants; and to provide an element of continuity of service in the event of any loss of funding.

c This fund provides cash flow cover for the community nursery.

d As part of commitment to the Early Learning for Two Year Olds Capital Funding agreement, this fund will facilitate the development of the Weavers Fields PreSchool pre-school and support the Cashflow.

e This fund is to support the set up of childcare Training Course and to support cash flow issues.

f This fund is to cover the cost of new computers and other new office equipment, furnishings.

g This provides for the cyclical internal/external refurbishment and development of the premises.

h This fund is to cover the cost of improvements to health and safety practice and to fund the further development of quality assurance in service provision.

18. MOVEMENT IN TOTAL FUNDS

	At 1st April 2023	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers to Reserves	At 31st March 2024
Restricted Funds (Note 15/16)	132,106	-	-	(11,402)	120,704
Unrestricted Funds					
Designated Funds (Note 17)	308,772				308,772
General Funds	221,660	404,686	(398,325)	11,402	239,423
Total Unrestricted Funds	508,192	404,686	(398,325)	-	548,195
Total Funds	640,298	404,686	(398,325)	-	668,899

19. Other Commitments

At 31st March the company had annual commitments under it's leases as follows:

- premises at 15 Kelsey St London E2:	2024	*2023*
Expiry date	£	*£*
Sinking fund per annum over five years	3,009	*3,009*
- premises at Drapers City Foyer,Mape St,London E2:		
Expiry date	£	*£*
Rent per annum over five years	15,000	-

20. Contingent Liabilities

Under the terms of the charity's lease of it's premises, a sinking fund is being established from payments made by the charity to the Landlord, amounting to £2,835 per annum over the term of the lease. This sinking fund is to be used by the Landlord to meet the Landlord's repair obligations outlined in the lease. In the event of the Landlord's repair obligations under the lease being in excess of the sinking fund, the charity can, under the terms of the lease, be called on to fund any shortfall.

EARLY YEARS NETWORK TOWER HAMLETS

England & Wales - Charity number 1110092

Accounts

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets

(A company limited by guarantee)

Trustees' Report and Financial Statements

for the year ended 31 March 2023

Company no. 5384205 (England & Wales)

Charity no. 1110092

Financial Statements for Year Ended 31 March 2023

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Reference and Administration Details

Trustees Report-Statutory Information

Charity Name:	Early Years Network Tower Hamlets
Charity no:	1110092
Company no:	5384205
Principle & Registered Office:	Weavers Community Space 15 Kelsey Street Bethnal Green London E2 6HD
Directors and Trustees:	Dolores Bray-Ash — Chair Tracy McCormack — Vice-Chair Lorraine Dooley — Treasurer Kim May
Company Secretary:	Shahista Chaiwalla
Independent Examiner:	Stuart Edwards & Co Chartered Accountants 124 City Road LONDON EC1V 2NX
Bankers:	The Co-operative Bank 80 Cornhill London EC3V 3NJ
Solicitors:	Bates Wells and Braithwaite Cheapside House 138 Cheapside London EC2V 6BB

Trustees' Report for the year ended 31 March 2023

Structure, Governance and Management

The Trustees of the Early Years Network Tower Hamlets (also known as EYNTH) are pleased to present their Annual Report and Financial Statement for the year ended 31 March 2023.

The trustees, who are also directors under company law, confirm that the financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, the memorandum and articles of association and the Statement of Recommended Practice -Accounting and Reporting by Charities: SORP applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102

Organisational Structure

The process for appointing the charity's trustees is set out in the Memorandum & the Articles of Association. As EYNTH is a charitable company, trustees also act as company directors. EYNTH has a Management Committee of up to 12 members, who meet four times during the year and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. At present the Committee has four members from a variety of professional backgrounds relevant to the work of the charity. A Business Manager is appointed by the trustees to manage the day-to-day operation of the charity**.**

Governance and Management

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets (EYNTH) is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 7 March 2005 and registered as a charity on 20 June 2005.

The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company, and is governed under those Articles. The members of the Board of Trustees are elected for three years at the Annual General Meeting (AGM).

Recruitment and appointment of management committee

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law, and, under the company's Articles, are known as members of the Management Committee.

All members of the Management Committee give their time voluntarily and receive no benefit from the charity. The Charity is grateful for this contribution without which the organisation would not function. Any expenses reimbursed by the charity are set out in note 8 to the accounts.

The following Trustees served during the year: Dolores Bray-Ash (Chair), Tracy McCormack (Vice-Chair), Lorraine Dooley (Treasurer) and Kim May

Risk Management

The trustees actively review the major risks facing the charity on a regular basis. The trustees have identified risks and their potential impact in the areas of, operational, financial and compliance. They have established Systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identified in the plan and implemented procedures designed to minimise any potential impact on the charity should those risks materialise.

Significant external risks of funding have led to the development of a strategic plan which will allow for the diversification of funding and activities. Internal controls risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects.

The trustees have again reviewed the organisation's financial situation and the resources available to the organisation. As a result of the organisational annual review, we are pleased with the improved systems for reporting and managing the finances of our organisation.

Procedures are in place to ensure the health and safety of staff, children and visitors to the organisation.

A charity combined insurance policy was in place throughout the year covering; employer's liability (£10m), public liability (£5m), products liability (£5m), professional indemnity (£250k) and business interruption (£600k).

All risk assessments are reviewed periodically and are reviewed as Government guidance is updated.

Objectives and Principal Activities

Our main areas of charitable activities are based on a) providing representation, Information and development, and administrative services, for early years' providers in the voluntary sector b) to providing Full day care and Sessional care to children and young people and their families through the provision of a nursery setting.

The charity's purposes, as set out in the objects contained in the company's Memorandum of Association, are:

- To enhance the development and education of children and the families of children primarily under statutory school age, within the London Borough of Tower Hamlets, by encouraging parents to understand and provide for the needs of their children through community groups.
- To offer continuing support and encouragement and help to these groups.
- To run a nursery.

We review our aims, objectives and activities at our management committee meetings. The review looks at achievements and plans future outcomes. The review also helps us to ensure that our aims, objectives and activities remain focused on our stated purposes.

Public Benefit

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's 'public benefit: running a charity (PD2) on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

As an addition to our public benefit statement Early Years Network Tower Hamlets board of trustees are all voluntary and act for the organisation without any form of payment..

All our charitable activities are undertaken to further our charitable purposes, as embodied in our Charitable Objects, Vision and Mission Statement, for the public benefit.

Achievements and Performance

Infrastructure Support to Early Years Providers

EYNTH continued to provide Payroll, Human Resources and infrastructure support Services to early years settings on a chargeable basis. The demand for early years practitioners with Level 3 qualification remains high. Recruiting Level 3-Qualified staff in early year's settings has been an issue for many years. This is due to lack of training opportunities and being a low paid sector.

These achievements evidence the critical role EYNTH plays in supporting the Voluntary Sector Childcare providers in Tower Hamlets.

Weavers Fields Community Nursery

WFCN strive to provide good quality affordable full day care to parents returning back to work. The total number of children who attended the Weavers Fields Community Nursery during the financial year 2022 -2023 was 37.

Regular newsletters are used to keep in touch with parents and allow good communication. Key persons build relationships with parents on an informal basis and communicate with them regularly about their children's

learning journeys and next steps for development. The Trustees, together with management, have continued to offering 30 hours of free childcare to families.

Visits by prospective parents have continued to be on a Saturday which works for majority of working parents however they were unable to see the nursery in action.

The Manager and all staff working in Nursery and Pre-school ensures that the setting complies with revised Ofsted requirement and the EYFS curriculum.

Weavers Fields Pre-School

The pre-school has been providing fantastic opportunities to funded 2 and 3 year old children to access quality sessional care provision since September 2018. The pre-school is registered under the same registration as the Weavers Fields Community nursery. The total number of children who attended the pre-school during the financial year 2022 -2023 was 29.

There has been an increase in number of children with Special Educational Need, staff work tirelessly to support families with complex needs, made referrals to speech and language and support transition of children with Educational Health Care plans.

EYNTH will continue to focus on increasing the capacity of children and staff during the coming year.

Financial review

The Statement of Financial Activities shows a net deficit of £33,416 for the year resulting in reserves standing at £640,298 at 31st March 2023.

The Trustee's reserves policy has enabled the Trustees to consider, plan and react accordingly to the ever changing circumstances in the knowledge that immediate costs could be met without income.

Staff were given a pay rise of 3% in April 23, in line with the cost of living rise. This will continue to be considered in conjunction with any future forecasting and budgets as the Trustees and management are committed t0 retaining staff.

Principal Funding Sources

The Financial Support Services project is funded through charging the service users.

The principal funding sources for the Nursery were through fees and the 3 year old nursery educational grant.

The principal funding sources for the Pre-school were through the Early Learning for 2 year olds and 3 year olds nursery educational grant.

Investment Policy

The policy of the Management Committee is to place surplus funds into an interest bearing account whilst maintaining sufficient funds in a current bank account to cover immediate liabilities.

Reserves Policy

The Management Committee ensures that sufficient reserves are maintained to allow the charity to continue to undertake its day to day activities, should any unforeseen circumstances arise. The Management Committee has considered its Reserves Policy in the light of the main risks to the organisation. The committee recognises that the organisation needs to have sufficient reserves to allow it to cover known liabilities and contingencies,

and absorb setbacks and take advantage of change and opportunity. It has therefore established a policy whereby the general funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets held by the charity should be equivalent to between 6 and 12 months of the annual expenditure.

Note 17 sets out an analysis of the designated reserves. The reserves are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity, and the Management Committee are confident that they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding.

Designated reserves are utilised as and when needed. The committee recognises that without the availability of reserves the financial stability of the whole organisation would not have been possible. Such a reserve policy has been invaluable over the past few years.

Plans for the Future

EYNTH will continue to champion the provision of high quality education and care in London Borough of Tower Hamlets. EYNTH will continue to provide support for early year's providers though the infrastructure support that will strengthen the sector during a period of great uncertainty and financial pressure. EYNTH recognises 23/24 financial year to be very challenging with rising costs for various supplies and services. EYNTH has contingency plan in place for challenges ahead.

Infrastructure Support to Early Years Providers

EYNTH will continue to provide "Financial Support services for Voluntary Sector Sessional or Full Daycare Childcare Providers".

Weavers Fields Community Nursery

WFCN welcomes the free childcare initiative for working parents for the two year olds and under two's, however this will require financial planning as the rates currently being offered by the government does not fully cover the costs of childcare provided. We will continue to develop and expand Weavers Field Community Nursery with the aim of providing a centre of excellence in child care provision for the local community. We continue to maintain a healthy waiting list of children and we continually explore a number of options as part of the review process to keep the nursery financially sustainable and viable.

Weavers Fields Pre-School

The priority for the pre-school is to recruit more staff and advertise its services to local families to increase the uptake of funded places. We will continue to work with the Children Centres and the Local Authority to increase the intake of children.

Acknowledgment

Staff Team
The trustees wish to extend our sincere thanks to the staff team for the smooth running of the organisation. We are proud of the resilience and relentless determination by the team to meet the needs of children and families. The experience and flexibility have ensured that organisations carried on operating in difficult times.

Trustees
EYNTH would like to thank the committee for giving up their free time and providing strategic direct to the organisation in this challenging and exciting time.

Funder
EYNTH would also like to take this opportunity to thank London Borough of Tower Hamlets for the two- and three-year-old funding.

Stakeholders
A special thank you to our Parents/Guardian and Children for their continuous support. Thank you to the early years' providers in Tower Hamlets and Providence Row Housing Association for their continuous support.

Small Company Exemptions

This report has been prepared and delivered in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and with the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (FRS102).

Approval

This report was approved by the trustees on 1st December 2023 2023 and signed on their behalf by:

D. Bray-Ash
.....
Dolores Bray-Ash, Director and Trustee

T. McCormack
.....

Tracy McCormack, Director and Trustee

Statement of Directors'/Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees (who are also directors of the Early Years Network Tower Hamlets for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for the year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) for Charities;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees who are also the directors of the Company for the purposes of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the trustees report and accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31st March 2023 which are set out on pages 10 to 18

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants (England & Wales).

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to an audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, 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 Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 seeking 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities

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.

Stuart Edwards
Chartered Accountant
124 City Road
LONDON
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.....Date

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets
Statement of Financial Activities
& Income and Expenditure Account
For the Year Ended 31st March 2023

	Notes	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total	2022 Restricted Funds	2022 Unrestricted Funds	2022 Total
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:							
Voluntary income & Grants	3	-	5,220	5,220		5,828	5,828
Investments			3,584	3,584		1,025	1,025
Charitable Activities	4	-	319,628	319,628	-	360,175	360,175
TOTAL INCOME		-	328,432	328,432	-	367,028	367,028
Expenditure on :		£	£	£	£	£	£
Raising Funds				-			-
Charitable Expenditure							
Representation, Information & Dev	5	-	56,076	56,076	-	50,722	50,722
Weavers Fields Pre-School	5	-	76,696	76,696	-	76,802	76,802
Weavers Fields Community Nursei	5	-	226,396	226,396	-	205,924	205,924
Other :Governance Costs		-	2,680	2,680	-	3,547	3,547
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	5	-	361,848	361,848	-	336,995	336,995
Net Income/Expenditure for the year							
Net Movement in funds	6	-	(33,416)	(33,416)	-	30,033	30,033
Transfer between funds		(11,176)	11,176	-	(13,303)	13,303	-
Funds balances at 1 April 2022		143,282	530,432	673,714	156,585	487,096	643,681
Funds balances at 31 March 2023	18	132,106	508,192	640,298	143,282	530,432	673,714

The statement of financial activities include all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets
Balance Sheet
As at 31st March 2023

	Notes		2023	2022
FIXED ASSETS		**£**	**£**	*£*
Tangible assets	**10**		**75,292**	*86,683*
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors	**12**	**17,622**		*24,765*
Investments	**13**	**209,708**		*206,124*
Cash at bank & in hand		**634,752**		*644,974*
		862,082		*875,863*
LIABILITIES				
Creditors : Amounts falling due within one year	**14**	**297,076**		*288,832*
		297,076		*288,832*
NET CURRENT ASSETS			**565,006**	*587,031*
NET ASSETS			**640,298**	*673,714*
			£	*£*
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY				
Unrestricted Funds	**17/18**		**508,192**	*530,432*
Restricted Funds	**15/16**		**132,106**	*143,282*
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS	**18**		**640,298**	*673,714*

The company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, relating to small companies, and no members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The accounts were approved by the trustees on:

1st December 2023 ..... **Date**

D.Bray-Ash
..... **Dolores Bray-Ash** **Director**

T.McCormack ..... **Tracy McCormack** **Director**

The notes on pages 12 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

Company Registration Number: **5384205**

Charity Registration Number: **1110092**

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31st March 2023

1. Accounting Policies

a) Basis of preparation of the financial statements

The financial statements accounts are prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The company has taken advantage of the exemptions available to smaller charities not to prepare a Statement of Cashflows within the financial statements.
The functional currency of the Charity is sterling , and the amounts in the financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

b) Legal Status

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets is a private charitable company, limited by guarantee, and registered in England & Wales.
The company meets the definition of a public benefit entity.
In the event of the Charity being wound up, the liability of each member in respect of their guarantee is limited to an amount not exceeding £1.
The registered address is Weavers' Community Space, 15 Kelsey St, Bethnal Green, London E2 6HD.

c) Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources receivable or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose and are available as general funds.
Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the management committee for particular purposes.
Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund together with any other costs agreed by the donor.

d) Incoming Resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.
Donations are recognised on receipt.

e) Resources expended

The expenses classifed as 'Charitable Activities' are those directly attributable to the general objects of the charity. ' Raising funds' are those expenses incurred in seeking funding for the charity. 'Governance costs' comprise all costs incurred in governing the charity.

f) Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.
Fixed assets with a useful life greater than one year and a purchase price exceeding £500 are capitalised , and depreciated over its expected useful life, usually 4 years.
Leased assets are amortised over the period of the lease using the 'sum of digits' method.

g) Impairment of tangible fixed assets

At each reporting date , the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible fixed assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. if such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

h) Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources receivable or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose and are available as general funds.
Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the management committee for particular purposes.
Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund together with any other costs agreed by the donor.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

i) Resources Expended:
Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature to support them.

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include audit fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.

Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly. Other costs are allocated on an appropriate basis such as staff time or estimated usage.

j) Cash and cash equivalents
Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand , deposits held on call with banks, other short-term liquid investmentswith original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

k) Financial Instruments
The charity has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

l) Employee benefits
The cost of unused holiday entitlements is charged in the period in which the employee services are received.

m) Retirement benefits
Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2. Critical accounting estimates and judgements
In the application of the charity's accounting policies the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3. Voluntary Income from donations & grants

	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total	2022 Restricted Funds	2022 Unrestricted Funds	2022 Total
	£	**£**	**£**	*£*	*£*	*£*
Sundry Income & Donations		**5,220**	**5,220**		*5,500*	*5,500*
HMRC CVJRS		-	**-**		*328*	*328*
	-	**5,220**	**5,220**	-	*5,828*	*5,828*

4. Income from Charitable Actvities

	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total	2022 Restricted Funds	2022 Unrestricted Funds	2022 Total
	£	**£**	**£**	*£*	*£*	*£*
L.B.Tower Hamlets :						
~Early Years Service S.L.A.			**-**	-		**-**
~Two Year Olds Capital Funding			**-**	-		**-**
Training Course Income			**-**	-		**-**
Service Charges to Playgroups		**12,950**	**12,950**		*12,450*	*12,450*
Nursery Fees & L.A Funding		**232,805**	**232,805**		*282,932*	*282,932*
Pre-School LA Funding		**73,873**	**73,873**		*64,793*	*64,793*
Sundry			**-**			**-**
	-	**319,628**	**319,628**	-	*360,175*	*360,175*

5. Charitable Expenditure

	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total	2022 Restricted Funds	2022 Unrestricted Funds	2022 Total
	£	**£**	**£**	*£*	*£*	*£*
Representation, Information & Development		**56,076**	**56,076**	-	*50,722*	*50,722*
Weavers Fields PreSchool		**76,696**	**76,696**		*76,802*	*76,802*
Weavers Fields Community Nursery		**226,396**	**226,396**		*205,924*	*205,924*
	-	**359,168**	**359,168**	-	*333,448*	*333,448*
Governance Costs		**2,680**	**2,680**		*3,547*	*3,547*
Total Spend	**-**	**361,848**	**361,848**	-	*336,995*	*336,995*

Analysis of Charitable Expenditure	Salaries	Other	Total	2022 Salaries	2022 Other	2022 Total
	£	**£**	**£**	*£*	*£*	*£*
Representation, Information & Development	**46,166**	**9,910**	**56,076**	*43,726*	*6,996*	*50,722*
Weavers Fields PreSchool	**47,745**	**28,951**	**76,696**	*45,285*	*31,517*	*76,802*
Weavers Fields Community Nursery	**176,302**	**50,094**	**226,396**	*165,957*	*39,967*	*205,924*
	270,213	**88,955**	**359,168**	*254,968*	*78,480*	*333,448*

	2023	*2022*

6. NET INCOMING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR

This is stated after charging

	£	*£*
Depreciation	**215**	*220*
Independent Examiner's Fees	**2,300**	*2,300*

7. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

	£	*£*
Salaries and Wages	**248,184**	*242,341*
Employer's NI (net of S.M.P.)	**17,065**	*17,920*
Employer's Pension Contribution	**4,957**	*4,656*
	270,206	*264,917*

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000.

The directors/trustees do not receive any remuneration in respect of their services as directors/trustees.

Particulars of employees:

The average weekly number of full-time equivalent employees during the year was as follows :	**F.T.E**	*F.T.E*
	No	*No*
Representation, Information & Development	**0.75**	*0.75*
Weavers Fields Community Nursery	**8.00**	*8.00*
Weavers Fields Pre-School	**2.00**	*2.00*
	10.75	*10.75*

8. TRUSTEE & RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

No directors/trustees or any person connected with them received remuneration in the year in respect of their services as directors/trustees . (2022 £Nil)
Travel expenses of £354 (2022 £760) were reimbursed to one (2022 one) director/trustee during the year. No directors/trustees, or any person connected to them or related to the charity , had any personal interest in any contract or transaction. (2022 None)
Owing to the nature of EYNTH'S operations, as set out in the trustees 'report, and the composition of its' trustees, transactions may occur with local playgroups with which trustees have a connection. All such transactions are conducted at arm's length and in accordance with EYNTH'S normal procedures.

There were no other related party transactions during the year.

9. TAXATION

The charitable company is exempt from corporation tax on its' charitable activities.

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Office Equipment	Computer Equipment	Weavers Field Pre-School Costs	Total
Cost	**£**	**£**	**£**	**£**
Opening Balance	**29,551**	**16,252**	**180,535**	**226,338**
Additions				**-**
Closing Balance	**29,551**	**16,252**	**180,535**	**226,338**
Depreciation/Amortisation				
Opening Balance	**29,550**	**16,036**	**94,069**	**110,105**
Charge for the year		**215**	**11,176**	**11,391**
Closing Balance	**29,550**	**16,251**	**105,245**	**121,496**
NET BOOK VALUE	**1**	**1**	**75,290**	**75,292**
NET BOOK VALUE LAST YEAR	**1**	**216**	**86,466**	**86,683**

The company signed a lease in respect of its' premises at 15 Kelsey St on the 19th December 2005 for a period of 26 years. On the 5th April 2016 the company signed a lease for a period of 20 years in respect of premises at Drapers City Foyer,Mape St,London E2. The amortised costs of the PreSchool are set off against the Capital Reserve over the term of the lease on the sum of digits method.

11. Financial Instruments

	2023	*2022*
	£	*£*
Carrying amount of financial assets		
Debt instruments measured at amortised cost (Operating debt 0% Interest)	**17,622**	*24,765*
Debt instruments measured at amortised cost (Investment debt at 0.75% Interest, 12 month deposit maturing October 2021)	**209,708**	*206,124*
Carrying amount of financial liabilities	**£**	*£*
Measured at amortised cost	**296,753**	*288,832*

12. DEBTORS & PREPAYMENTS

	£	*£*
Trade Debtors	**14,005**	*23,304*
Prepayments & Accrued Income	**3,617**	*1,461*
	17,622	*24,765*

13. INVESTMENTS

	£	*£*
Short term deposit with Nationwide Bank	**209,708**	*206,124*
	£	*£*
Opening Balance	**206,124**	*205,099*
Interest Received	**3,584**	*1,025*
Closing Balance	**209,708**	*206,124*

14. CREDITORS :Amounts falling due

within one year:	**£**	*£*
Trade Creditors	**225,823**	**213,397**
Taxation and Social Security	**-**	**156**
Other Creditors & Accrued Income	**70,930**	**75,279**
Bank Overdraft		
	296,753	**288,832**

15. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Representation, Information , Development	Weavers Field Community Nursery	Weavers Field Pre-School	Total	*2022*
Grant Income	**£**	**£**	**£**	**£**	*£*
L.B.Tower Hamlets:					
~Early Years Service S.L.A.	**-**			**-**	**-**
	-	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
	£	**£**	**£**	**£**	*£*
Direct Charitable Expenditure					
Representation, Information & Development				-	**-**
Weavers Fields Community Nursery				-	-
	-	**-**	**-**	**-**	-
Net Incoming/Outgoing Resources	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**-**
Funds Brought Forward	**54,316**	**2,500**	**99,769**	**156,585**	*156,585*
Transfer (to)/from general funds			**(11,176)**	**(11,176)**	*(13,303)*
Funds Carried forward	**54,316**	**2,500**	**88,593**	**145,409**	*143,282*

The transfer of £11,176 represents 7th year of amortisation of the building costs in developing the Weavers Field PreSchool

In accordance with Section 37 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, we confirm that the funding below from the L.B. Of Tower Hamlets was used for the purposes for which it was given, as follows:

	At 1st April 2022	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfer	At 31st March 2023
	£	**£**	**£**	**£**	**£**
Early Years Professionals Fund	**2,500**				**2,500**
	2,500	**-**	**-**	**-**	**2,500**

16. MOVEMENT IN RESTRICTED FUNDS

	At 1st April 2022	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfer	At 31st March 2023
L.B.Tower Hamlets:	**£**	**£**	**£**	**£**	**£**
~Early Years Service S.L.A.	**-**	**-**	**-**		**-**
~Nursery Funding	**2,500**				**2,500**
~Two Year Olds Capital Funding	**99,769**			**(11,176)**	**88,593**
Restricted Reserve	**54,316**				**54,316**
	156,585	**-**	**-**	**(11,176)**	**145,409**

Purpose of Funding

Early Years Service S.L.A.- to fund the infrastructure support services to Early Years Groups.
NurseryFunds - to fund training of Early Years Professionals
Two Year Olds Capital Funding- to Fund Development of Weavers Field Pre-School
Restricted Reserve Fund - to fund representation, development, training and support to Early Years Groups.

17. DESIGNATED FUNDS

		At 1st April 2022	Transfers	At 31st March 2023
		£	£	£
a	Staff Contingency Fund	98,222		98,222
b	Financial Services Support Cash Flow Fund	30,000		30,000
c	Nursery Cash Flow/Contingency Fund	20,000		20,000
d	Weavers Pre-School Development Fund	25,977		25,977
e	Training Course Development Fund	65,086		65,086
f	Office furniture and Equipment Fund	20,000		20,000
g	Premises Development & Maintenance Fund	42,487		42,487
h	Health & Safety/Quality Assurance	7,000		7,000
		308,772	-	308,772

Designated Funds

a This fund is to cover liabilities arising from contracts of employment with staff and the potential cost of cover for staff redundencies, staff on maternity leave, paternity leave, sick leave and compansionate leave.
b This fund is to support the cash flow problems arising from late payments of grants; and to provide an element of continuity of service in the event of any loss of funding.
c This fund provides cash flow cover for the community nursery.
d As part of commitment to the Early Learning for Two Year Olds Capital Funding agreement, this fund will facilitate the development of the Weavers Fields PreSchool pre-school and support the Cashflow.
e This fund is to support the set up of childcare Training Course and to support cash flow issues.
f This fund is to cover the cost of new computers and other new office equipment, furnishings.
g This provides for the cyclical internal/external refurbishment and development of the premises.
h This fund is to cover the cost of improvements to health and safety practice and to fund the further development of quality assurance in service provision.

18. MOVEMENT IN TOTAL FUNDS

	At 1st April 2022	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers to Reserves	At 31st March 2023
Restricted Funds (Note 15/16)	143,282	-	-	(11,176)	132,106
Unrestricted Funds					
Designated Funds (Note 17)	308,772				308,772
General Funds	221,660	328,432	(361,525)	11,176	199,743
Total Unrestricted Funds	530,432	328,432	(361,525)	-	508,515
Total Funds	673,714	328,432	(361,525)	-	640,621

19. Other Commitments

At 31st March the company had annual commitments under it's leases as follows:

- premises at 15 Kelsey St London E2:	2023	*2022*
Expiry date	£	*£*
Sinking fund per annum over five years	3,009	*3,009*
- premises at Drapers City Foyer,Mape St,London E2:		
Expiry date	£	*£*
Rent per annum over five years	15,000	-

20. Contingent Liabilities

Under the terms of the charity's lease of it's premises, a sinking fund is being established from payments made by the charity to the Landlord, amounting to £2,835 per annum over the term of the lease. This sinking fund is to be used by the Landlord to meet the Landlord's repair obligations outlined in the lease. In the event of the Landlord's repair obligations under the lease being in excess of the sinking fund, the charity can, under the terms of the lease, be called on to fund any shortfall.

EARLY YEARS NETWORK TOWER HAMLETS

England & Wales - Charity number 1110092

Accounts

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets

(A company limited by guarantee)

Trustees' Report and Financial Statements

for the year ended 31 March 2022

Company no. 5384205 (England & Wales)

Charity no. 1110092

Financial Statements for Year Ended 31 March 2022

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Reference and Administration Details

Trustees Report-Statutory Information

Charity Name:	Early Years Network Tower Hamlets
Charity no:	1110092
Company no:	5384205
Principle &Registered Office:	Weavers Community Space 15 Kelsey Street Bethnal Green London E2 6HD
Directors and Trustees:	Dolores Bray-Ash — Chair Tracy McCormack — Vice-Chair Lorraine Dooley — Treasurer Kim May
Company Secretary:	Shahista Chaiwalla
Independent Examiner:	Stuart Edwards & Co Chartered Accountant 124 City Road LONDON EC1V 2NX
Bankers:	The Co-operative Bank 80 Cornhill London EC3V 3NJ
Solicitors:	Bates Wells and Braithwaite Cheapside House 138 Cheapside London EC2V 6BB

Trustees' Report for the year ended 31 March 2022

Structure, Governance and Management

The Trustees of the Early Years Network Tower Hamlets (also known as EYNTH) are pleased to present their Annual Report and Financial Statement for the year ended 31 March 2022.

The trustees, who are also directors under company law, confirm that the financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, the memorandum and articles of association and the Statement of Recommended Practice -Accounting and Reporting by Charities: SORP applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102

Organisational Structure

The EYNTH has a Management Committee of up to 12 members, who meet four times during the year and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. At present the Committee has four members from a variety of professional backgrounds relevant to the work of the charity. The Secretary also sits on the Committee but has no voting rights. A Business Manager is appointed by the trustees to manage the day-to-day operation of the charity.

Governance and Management

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets (EYNTH) is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 7 March 2005 and registered as a charity on 20 June 2005.

The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company, and is governed under those Articles. The members of the Board of Trustees are elected for three years at the Annual General Meeting (AGM).

Recruitment and appointment of management committee

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law, and, under the company's Articles, are known as members of the Management Committee.

All members of the Management Committee give their time voluntarily and receive no benefit from the charity. The Charity is grateful for this contribution without which the organisation would not function. Any expenses reimbursed by the charity are set out in note 8 to the accounts.

The following Trustees served during the year: Dolores Bray-Ash (Chair), Tracy McCormack (Vice-Chair), Lorraine Dooley (Treasurer) and Kim May

Risk Management

The trustees actively review the major risks facing the charity on a regular basis. They have established systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identified in the plan and implemented procedures designed to minimise any potential impact on the charity should those risks materialise.

Significant external risks of funding have led to the development of a strategic plan which will allow for the diversification of funding and activities. Internal controls risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects.

The trustees have again reviewed the organisation's financial situation and the resources available to the organisation. As a result of the organisational annual review, we are pleased with the improved systems for reporting and managing the finances of our organisation.

Procedures are in place to ensure the health and safety of staff, children and visitors to the organisation.

All risk assessments are reviewed periodically, including Covid risk assessments and are reviewed as Government guidance is updated.

Objectives and Principle Activities

Our main areas of charitable activities are based on a) providing representation, Information and development, and administrative services, for early years' providers in the voluntary sector b) to providing Full day care and Sessional care to children and young people and their families through the provision of a nursery setting.

The charity's purposes, as set out in the objects contained in the company's Memorandum of Association, are:

- To enhance the development and education of children and the families of children primarily under statutory school age, within the London Borough of Tower Hamlets, by encouraging parents to understand and provide for the needs of their children through community groups.
- To offer continuing support and encouragement and help to these groups.
- To run a nursery.

We review our aims, objectives and activities at our management committee meetings. The review looks at achievements and plans future outcomes. The review also helps us to ensure that our aims, objectives and activities remain focused on our stated purposes.

Public Benefit

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's 'public benefit: running a charity (PD2) on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

As an addition to our public benefit statement Early Years Network Tower Hamlets board of trustees are all voluntary and act for the organisation without any form of payments.

All our charitable activities are undertaken to further our charitable purposes, as embodied in our Charitable Objects, Vision and Mission Statement, for the public benefit.

Achievements and Performance

Infrastructure Support to Early Years Providers

Recruiting Level 3-Qualified staff in early year's settings has been an issue for many years. This is due to lack of training opportunities and being a low paid sector. Many of the setting that we support found it impossible to recruit new staff and keep the settings at float. Demand for EYNTH's HR support and infrastructure support Services remains high, we were able to support groups with recruitment and HR support. EYNTH continued to provide payroll and HR services to early years setting on a charging basis.

These achievements evidence the critical role EYNTH plays in supporting the Voluntary Sector Childcare providers in Tower Hamlets.

Weavers Fields Community Nursery

The biggest Achievement for 2022 was the Nursery receiving "Outstanding" rating from OFSTED on 8th Feb 22. Weavers Fields Community Nursery continues to be oversubscribed. WFCN strive to provide good quality affordable full day care to parents returning back to work. The total number of children who attended the Weavers Fields Community Nursery during the financial year 2021 -2022 was 25.

Regular newsletters are used to keep in touch with parents and allow good communication. Key persons build relationships with parents on an informal basis and communicate with them regularly about their children's learning journeys and next steps for development. The Trustees, together with management, have continued to offering 30 hours of free childcare to families.

Visits by prospective parents have continued to be on a Saturday which works for the majority of working parents however they were unable to see the nursery in action.

The Manager and all staff working in Nursery and Pre-school ensures that the setting complies with revised Ofsted requirement and the EYFS curriculum.

Weavers Fields Pre-School

The pre-school has been providing fantastic opportunities to funded 2 and 3 year olds children to access quality sessional care provision since September 2018. The pre-school in registered under the same registration as the Weavers Fields Community nursery. The total number of children who attended the pre-school during the financial year 2021 -2022 was 35.

There has been an increase in number of children with Special Educational Need, staff work tirelessly to support families with complex needs, made referrals to speech and language and support transition of children with Educational Health Care plans.

EYNTH will continue to focus on increasing the capacity of children and staff during the coming year.

Financial review

The Statement of Financial Activities shows a net surplus of £30,033 for the year resulting in reserves standing at £673,714 at 31st March 2022.

The Trustee's reserves policy has enabled the Trustees to consider, plan and react accordingly to the ever changing circumstances in the knowledge that immediate costs could be met without income.

Staff were given a pay rise in April 22, in line with the cost of living rise. This will continue to be considered in conjunction with any future forecasting and budgets as the Trustees and management are committed in retaining staff.

Principal Funding Sources

The Financial Support Services project is funded through charging the service users.

The principal funding sources for the Nursery were through fees, nursery vouchers and the 3 year old nursery educational grant.

The principal funding sources for the Pre-school were through Early Learning for 2 year old and 3 year old nursery educational grant.

Investment Policy

The policy of the Management Committee is to place surplus funds into an interest bearing account whilst maintaining sufficient funds in a current bank account to cover immediate liabilities.

Reserves Policy

The Management Committee ensures that sufficient reserves are maintained to allow the charity to continue to undertake its day to day activities, should any unforeseen circumstances arise. The Management Committee has considered its Reserves Policy in light of the main risks to the organisation. The committee recognises that the organisation needs to have sufficient reserves to allow it to cover known liabilities and contingencies, absorb setbacks and take advantage of change and opportunity. It has therefore established a policy whereby the general funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets held by the charity should be equivalent to between 6 and 12 months of the annual expenditure.

Note 17 sets out an analysis of the designated reserves. The reserves are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity, and the Management Committee are confident that they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding.

Designated reserves are utilised as and when needed. The committee recognises that without the availability of these reserves the pre-school development project would not have been possible. The committee also recognises that without the availability of reserves the financial stability of the whole organisation would not have been possible in this world of pandemic crises. Such a reserve policy has been invaluable over the past few years.

Plans for the Future

EYNTH will continue to champion the provision of high quality education and care in London Borough of Tower Hamlets. EYNTH will continue to provide support for early year's providers though the infrastructure support that will strengthen the sector during a period of great uncertainty and financial pressure. EYNTH recognises that the 22/23 financial year to be very challenging with rising energy cost and cost of various services and supplies, it also recognises the cost of living crisis will have an impact of staff. EYNTH has contingency plan in place for challenges ahead.

Infrastructure Support to Early Years Providers

EYNTH will continue to provide "Financial Support services for Voluntary Sector Sessional or Full Daycare Childcare Providers".

Weavers Fields Community Nursery

We will continue to develop and expand Weavers Field Community Nursery with the aim of providing a centre of excellence in child care provision for the local community. We continue to maintain a healthy waiting list of children and we continually explore a number of options as part of the review process to keep the nursery financially sustainable and viable.

Weavers Fields Pre-School

The priority for the pre-school is to advertise its services to local families to increase the uptake of funded places. We will work with the Children Centres and the Local Authority to increase the intake of children.

Acknowledgment

EYNTH would like to thank the committee and staff for the smooth running of the organisation in this challenging and exciting time. EYNTH would also like to take this opportunity to thank London Borough of Tower Hamlets, Providence Row Housing association, Parents and all the early years' providers in Tower Hamlets for their continuous support.

Small Company Exemptions

This report has been prepared and delivered in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and with the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (FRS102).

Approval

This report was approved by the trustees on ……2nd December…… 2022 and signed on their behalf by:

.....
Dolores Bray-Ash, Director and Trustee

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T**racy McCormack, Director and Trustee**

Statement of Directors'/Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees (who are also directors of the Early Years Network Tower Hamlets for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for the year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) for Charities;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees who are also the directors of the Company for the purposes of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the trustees report and accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31st March 2022 which are set out on pages 10 to 18.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed. The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants (England & Wales).

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to an audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, 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 Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 seeking 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 386 of the Companies Act 2006; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities

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.

Stuart Edwards
Chartered Accountant
Stuart Edwards & Co
124 City Road
LONDON
EC1V 2NX

9th December 2022
.....Date

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets
Statement of Financial Activities
& Income and Expenditure Account
For the Year Ended 31st March 2022

	Notes	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total	2021 Restricted Funds	2021 Unrestricted Funds	2021 Total
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:							
Voluntary income & Grants	3	-	5,828	5,828		*35,127*	*35,127*
Investments			1,025	1,025		*1,069*	*1,069*
Charitable Activities	4	-	360,175	360,175	-	*307,242*	*307,242*
TOTAL INCOME		-	367,028	367,028	-	*343,438*	*343,438*
Expenditure on :		£	£	£	£	£	£
Raising Funds				-			-
Charitable Expenditure							
Representation, Information & De	5	-	50,722	50,722	-	*47,384*	*47,384*
Weavers Fields Pre-School	5	-	76,802	76,802	-	*139,376*	*139,376*
Weavers Fields Community Nurse	5	-	205,924	205,924	-	*219,515*	*219,515*
Other :Governance Costs		-	3,547	3,547	-	*3,128*	*3,128*
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	5	-	336,995	336,995	-	*409,403*	*409,403*
Net Income/Expenditure for the year							
Net Movement in funds	6	-	30,033	30,033	-	*(65,965)*	*(65,965)*
Transfer between funds		(13,303)	13,303	-	*(80,766)*	*80,766*	-
Funds balances at 1 April 2021		156,585	487,096	643,681	*237,351*	*472,295*	*709,646*
Funds balances at 31 March 2022	18	143,282	530,432	673,714	*156,585*	*487,096*	*643,681*

The statement of financial activities include all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets
Balance Sheet
As at 31st March 2022

	Notes		2022	2021
FIXED ASSETS		£	£	£
Tangible assets	10		86,683	*100,206*
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors	12	24,765		*10,883*
Investments	13	206,124		*205,099*
Cash at bank & in hand		644,974		*562,957*
		875,863		*778,939*
LIABILITIES				
Creditors : Amounts falling due within one year	14	288,832		*235,464*
		288,832		*235,464*
NET CURRENT ASSETS			587,031	*543,475*
NET ASSETS			673,714	*643,681*
			£	£
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY				
Unrestricted Funds	17/18		530,432	*487,096*
Restricted Funds	15/16		143,282	*156,585*
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS	18		673,714	*643,681*

The company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, relating to small companies, and no members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The accounts were approved by the trustees on:

2nd December 2022 ..... **Date**

..... **Dolores Bray-Ash** **Director**

..... **Tracy McCormack** **Director**

The notes on pages 12 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

Company Registration Number: **5384205**

Charity Registration Number: **1110092**

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets
Notes to the Financial Statements
For the Year Ended 31st March 2022

1. Accounting Policies

a) Basis of preparation of the financial statements

The financial statements accounts are prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The company has taken advantage of the exemptions available to smaller charities not to prepare a Statement of Cashflows within the financial statements.
The functional currency of the Charity is sterling , and the amounts in the financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

b) Legal Status

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets is a private charitable company, limited by guarantee, and registered in England & Wales.
The company meets the definition of a public benefit entity.
In the event of the Charity being wound up, the liability of each member in respect of their guarantee is limited to an amount not exceeding £1.
The registered address is Weavers' Community Space, 15 Kelsey St, Bethnal Green, London E2 6HD.

c) Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources receivable or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose and are available as general funds.
Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the management committee for particular purposes.
Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund together with any other costs agreed by the donor.

d) Incoming Resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.
Donations are recognised on receipt.

e) Resources expended

The expenses classifed as 'Charitable Activities' are those directly attributable to the general objects of the charity. ' Raising funds' are those expenses incurred in seeking funding for the charity. 'Governance costs' comprise all costs incurred in governing the charity.

f) Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.
Fixed assets with a useful life greater than one year and a purchase price exceeding £500 are capitalised , and depreciated over its expected useful life, usually 4 years.
Leased assets are amortised over the period of the lease using the 'sum of digits' method.

g) Impairment of tangible fixed assets

At each reporting date , the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible fixed assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. if such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

h) Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources receivable or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose and are available as general funds.
Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the management committee for particular purposes.
Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund together with any other costs agreed by the donor.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

i) Resources Expended:
Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature to support them.

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include audit fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.

Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly. Other costs are allocated on an appropriate basis such as staff time or estimated usage.

j) Cash and cash equivalents
Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand , deposits held on call with banks, other short-term liquid investmentswith original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

k) Financial Instruments
The charity has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

l) Employee benefits
The cost of unused holiday entitlements is charged in the period in which the employee services are received.

m) Retirement benefits
Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2. Critical accounting estimates and judgements
In the application of the charity's accounting policies the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3. Voluntary Income from donations & grants

	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total	2021 Restricted Funds	2021 Unrestricted Funds	2021 Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Sundry Income & Donations		**5,500**	**5,500**		*5,092*	*5,092*
HMRC CVJRS		**328**	**328**		*30,035*	*30,035*
	-	**5,828**	**5,828**	-	*5,092*	*5,092*

4. Income from Charitable Actvities

	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total	2021 Restricted Funds	2021 Unrestricted Funds	2021 Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
L.B.Tower Hamlets :						
~Early Years Service S.L.A.			**-**	-		**-**
~Two Year Olds Capital Funding			**-**	-		**-**
Training Course Income			**-**	-		**-**
Service Charges to Playgroups		**12,450**	**12,450**		*13,650*	*13,650*
Nursery Fees & L.A Funding		**282,932**	**282,932**		*217,591*	*217,591*
Pre-School LA Funding		**64,793**	**64,793**		*76,001*	*76,001*
Sundry			**-**			**-**
	-	**360,175**	**360,175**	-	*307,242*	*307,242*

5. Charitable Expenditure

	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total	2021 Restricted Funds	2021 Unrestricted Funds	2021 Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Representation, Information & Development		**50,722**	**50,722**	-	*47,384*	*47,384*
Weavers Fields PreSchool		**76,802**	**76,802**		*139,376*	*139,376*
Weavers Fields Community Nursery		**205,924**	**205,924**		*219,515*	*219,515*
	-	**333,448**	**333,448**	-	*406,275*	*406,275*
Governance Costs		**3,547**	**3,547**		*3,128*	*3,128*
Total Spend	**-**	**336,995**	**336,995**	-	*409,403*	*409,403*

Analysis of Charitable Expenditure	Salaries	Other	Total	2021 Salaries	2021 Other	2021 Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Representation, Information & Development	**43,726**	**6,996**	**50,722**	*42,829*	*4,555*	*47,384*
Weavers Fields PreSchool	**45,285**	**31,517**	**76,802**	*42,570*	*96,806*	*139,376*
Weavers Fields Community Nursery	**165,957**	**39,967**	**205,924**	*184,131*	*35,384*	*219,515*
	254,968	**78,480**	**333,448**	*269,530*	*136,745*	*406,275*

	2022	*2021*

6. NET INCOMING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR

This is stated after charging

	£	*£*
Depreciation	**220**	*220*
Independent Examiner's Fees	**2,300**	*2,150*

7. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

	£	*£*
Salaries and Wages	**242,341**	*246,523*
Employer's NI (net of S.M.P.)	**17,920**	*18,423*
Employer's Pension Contribution	**4,656**	*4,584*
	264,917	**269,530**

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000.

The directors/trustees do not receive any remuneration in respect of their services as directors/trustees.

Particulars of employees:

The average weekly number of full-time equivalent employees during the year was as follows :	**F.T.E**	*F.T.E*
	No	*No*
Representation, Information & Development	**0.75**	*0.75*
Weavers Fields Community Nursery	**8.00**	*8.00*
Weavers Fields Pre-School	**2.00**	*2.00*
	10.75	*10.75*

8. TRUSTEE & RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

No directors/trustees or any person connected with them received remuneration in the year in respect of their services as directors/trustees . (2021 £Nil)
Travel expenses of £760 (2021 £682) were reimbursed to one (2021 one) director/trustee during the year. No directors/trustees, or any person connected to them or related to the charity , had any personal interest in any contract or transaction. (2021 None)
Owing to the nature of EYNTH'S operations, as set out in the trustees 'report, and the composition of its' trustees, transactions may occur with local playgroups with which trustees have a connection. All such transactions are conducted at arm's length and in accordance with EYNTH'S normal procedures.

There were no other related party transactions during the year.

9. TAXATION

The charitable company is exempt from corporation tax on its' charitable activities.

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Office Equipment	Computer Equipment	Weavers Field Pre-School Costs	Total
Cost	£	£	£	£
Opening Balance	29,551	16,252	180,535	226,338
Additions				-
Closing Balance	29,551	16,252	180,535	226,338
Depreciation/Amortisation				
Opening Balance	29,550	15,816	80,766	96,582
Charge for the year		220	13,303	13,523
Closing Balance	29,550	16,036	94,069	110,105
NET BOOK VALUE	1	216	86,466	86,683
NET BOOK VALUE LAST YEAR	1	436	99,769	100,206

The company signed a lease in respect of its' premises at 15 Kelsey St on the 19th December 2005 for a period of 26 years. On the 5th April 2016 the company signed a lease for a period of 20 years in respect of premises at Drapers City Foyer,Mape St,London E2. The amortised costs of the PreSchool are set off against the Capital Reserve over the term of the lease on the sum of digits method. The charge in the year represents 5 years amortisation due to the delay in the opening of the Pre-school and the Covid 19 Pandemic.

11. Financial Instruments

	2022	*2021*
	£	*£*
Carrying amount of financial assets		
Debt instruments measured at amortised cost (Operating debt 0% Interest)	24,765	*10,883*
Debt instruments measured at amortised cost (Investment debt at 0.75% Interest, 12 month deposit maturing October 2021)	206,124	*205,099*
Carrying amount of financial liabilities	£	*£*
Measured at amortised cost	288,832	*235,464*

12. DEBTORS & PREPAYMENTS

	£	*£*
Trade Debtors	23,304	*7,827*
Prepayments & Accrued Income	1,461	*3,056*
	24,765	*10,883*

13. INVESTMENTS

	£	*£*
Short term deposit with Nationwide Bank	206,124	*205,099*
	£	*£*
Opening Balance	205,099	*204,029*
Interest Received	1,025	*1,070*
Closing Balance	206,124	*205,099*

14. CREDITORS :Amounts falling due within one year:

	£	*£*
Trade Creditors	213,397	*173,179*
Taxation and Social Security	156	*933*
Other Creditors & Accrued Income	75,279	*61,352*
Bank Overdraft		
	288,832	*235,464*

15. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Representation, Information , Development	Weavers Field Community Nursery	Weavers Field Pre-School	Total	*2021*
Grant Income	**£**	**£**	**£**	**£**	*£*
L.B.Tower Hamlets:					
~Early Years Service S.L.A.	-			-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	£	**£**	**£**	**£**	*£*
Direct Charitable Expenditure					
Representation, Information & Development				-	-
Weavers Fields Community Nursery				-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Net Incoming/Outgoing Resources	-	-	-	-	-
Funds Brought Forward	**54,316**	**2,500**	**99,769**	**156,585**	*237,351*
Transfer (to)/from general funds			**(13,303)**	**(13,303)**	*(80,766)*
Funds Carried forward	**54,316**	**2,500**	**86,466**	**143,282**	*156,585*

The transfer of £80,766 represents 5 years amortisation of the building costs in dveloping the Weavers Field PreSchool

In accordance with Section 37 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, we confirm that the funding below from the L.B. Of Tower Hamlets was used for the purposes for which it was given, as follows:

	At 1st April 2021	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfer	At 31st March 2022
	£	**£**	**£**	**£**	**£**
Early Years Professionals Fund	**2,500**				**2,500**
	2,500	**-**	**-**	**-**	**2,500**

16. MOVEMENT IN RESTRICTED FUNDS

	At 1st April 2021	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfer	At 31st March 2022
L.B.Tower Hamlets:	**£**	**£**	**£**	**£**	**£**
~Early Years Service S.L.A.	**-**	**-**	**-**		**-**
~Nursery Funding	**2,500**				**2,500**
~Two Year Olds Capital Funding	**99,769**			**(13,303)**	**86,466**
Restricted Reserve	**54,316**				**54,316**
	156,585	**-**	**-**	**(13,303)**	**143,282**

Purpose of Funding

Early Years Service S.L.A.- to fund the infrastructure support services to Early Years Groups.
NurseryFunds - to fund training of Early Years Professionals
Two Year Olds Capital Funding- to Fund Development of Weavers Field Pre-School
Restricted Reserve Fund - to fund representation, development, training and support to Early Years Groups.

17. DESIGNATED FUNDS

		At 1st April 2021	Transfers	At 31st March 2022
		£	£	£
a	Staff Contingency Fund	98,222		98,222
b	Financial Services Support Cash Flow Fund	30,000		30,000
c	Nursery Cash Flow/Contingency Fund	20,000		20,000
d	Weavers Pre-School Development Fund	25,977		25,977
e	Training Course Development Fund	65,086		65,086
f	Office furniture and Equipment Fund	20,000		20,000
g	Premises Development & Maintenance Fund	42,487		42,487
h	Health & Safety/Quality Assurance	7,000		7,000
		308,772	-	308,772

Designated Funds

a This fund is to cover liabilities arising from contracts of employment with staff and the potential cost of cover for staff redundencies, staff on maternity leave, paternity leave, sick leave and compansionate leave.
b This fund is to support the cash flow problems arising from late payments of grants; and to provide an element of continuity of service in the event of any loss of funding.
c This fund provides cash flow cover for the community nursery.
d As part of commitment to the Early Learning for Two Year Olds Capital Funding agreement, this fund will facilitate the development of the Weavers Fields PreSchool pre-school and support the Cashflow.
e This fund is to support the set up of childcare Training Course and to support cash flow issues.
f This fund is to cover the cost of new computers and other new office equipment, furnishings.
g This provides for the cyclical internal/external refurbishment and development of the premises.
h This fund is to cover the cost of improvements to health and safety practice and to fund the further development of quality assurance in service provision.

18. MOVEMENT IN TOTAL FUNDS

	At 1st April 2021	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers to Reserves	At 31st March 2022
Restricted Funds (Note 15/16)	156,585	-	-	(13,303)	143,282
Unrestricted Funds					
Designated Funds (Note 17)	308,772				308,772
General Funds	178,324	367,028	(336,995)	13,303	221,660
Total Unrestricted Funds	487,096	367,028	(336,995)	-	530,432
Total Funds	643,681	367,028	(336,995)	-	673,714

19. Other Commitments

At 31st March the company had annual commitments under it's leases as follows:

- premises at 15 Kelsey St London E2:	2022	*2021*
Expiry date	£	£
Sinking fund per annum over five years	3,009	*3,009*
- premises at Drapers City Foyer,Mape St,London E2:		
Expiry date	£	£
Rent per annum over five years	15,000	-

20. Contingent Liabilities

Under the terms of the charity's lease of it's premises, a sinking fund is being established from payments made by the charity to the Landlord, amounting to £2,835 per annum over the term of the lease. This sinking fund is to be used by the Landlord to meet the Landlord's repair obligations outlined in the lease. In the event of the Landlord's repair obligations under the lease being in excess of the sinking fund, the charity can, under the terms of the lease, be called on to fund any shortfall.

EARLY YEARS NETWORK TOWER HAMLETS

England & Wales - Charity number 1110092

Accounts

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets

(A company limited by guarantee)

Trustees' Report and Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 March 2021

Company no. 5384205 (England & Wales)

Charity no. 1110092

Financial Statements for Year Ended 31 March 2021

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Reference and Administration Details

Trustees Report-Statutory Information

Charity Name:	Early Years Network Tower Hamlets	
Charity no:	1110092	
Company no:	5384205	
Principle &Registered Office:	Weavers Community Space 15 Kelsey Street Bethnal Green London E2 6HD	
Directors and Trustees:	Dolores Bray-Ash	Chair
	Tracy McCormack	Vice-Chair
	Lorraine Dooley	Treasurer
	Kim May	
Company Secretary:	Shahista Chaiwalla	
Independent Examiner:	Stuart Edwards & Co Chartered Accountants Kemp House 152-160 City Road LONDON EC1V 2NX	
Bankers:	The Co-operative Bank 80 Cornhill London EC3V 3NJ	
Solicitors:	Bates Wells and Braithwaite Cheapside House 138 Cheapside London EC2V 6BB	

Trustees' Report for the year ended 31 March 2021

Structure, Governance and Management

The Trustees of the Early Years Network Tower Hamlets (also known as EYNTH) are pleased to present their Annual Report and Financial Statement for the year ended 31 March 2021.

The trustees, who are also directors under company law, confirm that the financial statements comply with current statutory requirements, the memorandum and articles of association and the Statement of Recommended Practice -Accounting and Reporting by Charities: SORP applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102

Organisational Structure

The EYNTH has a Management Committee of up to 12 members, who meet four times during the year and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the charity. At present the Committee has four members from a variety of professional backgrounds relevant to the work of the charity. The Secretary also sits on the Committee but has no voting rights. A Business Manager is appointed by the trustees to manage the day-to-day operation of the charity.

Governance and Management

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets (EYNTH) is a charitable company limited by guarantee, incorporated on 7 March 2005 and registered as a charity on 20 June 2005.

The company was established under a Memorandum of Association which established the objects and powers of the charitable company, and is governed under those Articles. The members of the Board of Trustees are elected for three years at the Annual General Meeting (AGM).

Recruitment and appointment of management committee

The directors of the company are also charity trustees for the purposes of charity law, and, under the company's Articles, are known as members of the Management Committee.

All members of the Management Committee give their time voluntarily and receive no benefit from the charity. The Charity is grateful for this contribution without which the organisation would not function. Any expenses reimbursed by the charity are set out in note 8 to the accounts.

The following Trustees served during the year: Dolores Bray-Ash (Chair), Tracy McCormack (Vice-Chair), Lorraine Dooley (Treasurer) and Kim May

Risk Management

The trustees actively review the major risks facing the charity on a regular basis. They have established systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identified in the plan and implemented procedures designed to minimise any potential impact on the charity should those risks materialise.

Significant external risks of funding have led to the development of a strategic plan which will allow for the diversification of funding and activities. Internal controls risks are minimised by the implementation of procedures for authorisation of all transactions and projects.

The trustees have again reviewed the organisation's financial situation and the resources available to the organisation. As a result of the organisational annual review, we are pleased with the improved systems for reporting and managing the finances of our organisation.

Procedures are in place to ensure the health and safety of staff, children and visitors to the organisation.

All risk assessments are reviewed periodically, including the Covid risk assessments and the cleaning schedules in place. These are reviewed as Government guidance is updated.

Objectives and Principle Activities

Our main areas of charitable activities are based on a) providing representation, Information and development, and administrative services, for early years' providers in the voluntary sector b) to providing Full day care and Sessional care to children and young people and their families through the provision of a nursery setting.

The charity's purposes, as set out in the objects contained in the company's Memorandum of Association, are:

- To enhance the development and education of children and the families of children primarily under statutory school age, within the London Borough of Tower Hamlets, by encouraging parents to understand and provide for the needs of their children through community groups.
- To offer continuing support and encouragement and help to these groups.
- To run a nursery.

We review our aims, objectives and activities at our management committee meetings. The review looks at achievements and plans future outcomes. The review also helps us to ensure that our aims, objectives and activities remain focused on our stated purposes.

Public Benefit

We have referred to the guidance contained in the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit when reviewing our aims and objectives and in planning our future activities. In particular, the trustees consider how planned activities will contribute to the aims and objectives they have set.

The trustees confirm they have paid due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit when reviewing the Charity's aims and objectives and in planning future activities.

All our charitable activities are undertaken to further our charitable purposes, as embodied in our Charitable Objects, Vision and Mission Statement, for the public benefit.

The Charity furthers its charitable purposes for the public benefit through its provision of activities, facilities and information to children, young people and families.

Achievements and Performance

Infrastructure Support to Early Years Providers

Recruiting Level 3-Qualified staff for early year's settings has been an issue over many years, however due to Covid the situation only got worse. Many of the settings that we support found it impossible to recruit new staff and keep the settings financially viable. Demand for EYNTH's HR support and infrastructure support Services remains high, we were able to support groups with recruitment and HR support.

In an increasingly challenging environment, and three years after the withdrawal of the funding for infrastructure support services by the local authority, the resilience, flexibility and consistent quality of delivery of services is truly extraordinary. EYNTH continued to provide payroll and HR services to early years settings on a nominal charge basis.

These achievements evidence the critical role EYNTH plays in supporting the Voluntary Sector Childcare providers in Tower Hamlets.

Weavers Fields Community Nursery

Our Ofsted rated 'Outstanding' Weavers Fields Community Nursery continues to be oversubscribed. WFCN strive to provide good quality affordable full day care to parents returning back to work. The total number of children who attended the Weavers Fields Community Nursery during the financial year 2020 -2021 was 31. The number is far lower than the previous year of 46, due to uncertainty of lockdown and keeping the setting open.

Regular newsletters are used to keep in touch with parents and allow good communication. Key persons build relationships with parents on an informal basis and communicate with them regularly about their children's learning journeys and next steps for development. The Trustees, together with management, have continued offering 30 hours of free childcare to families.

It has been a challenging year for the Nursery as we are were unable to invite new prospective parent's onsite for a visit. Visits had to be organised on a Saturday which worked for majority of working parents however they were unable to see the nursery in action.

The Manager and all staff working in the Nursery and Pre-school ensures that the setting complies with revised Ofsted requirement and the EYFS curriculum.

Weavers Fields Pre-School

The pre-school has been providing fantastic opportunities to funded 2 and 3 year olds children to access quality sessional care provision since September 2018. The pre-school in registered under the same registration as the Weavers Fields Community nursery. The total number of children who attended the pre-school during the financial year 2020 -2021 was 31. EYNTH will continue to focus on increasing the capacity of children and staff during the coming year.

Pre-school staff have had the fantastic opportunity to work with the London Borough of Tower Hamlets Early Year's team on "Attention Tower Hamlets" programme, which was based around increasing concentration on children and for children with SEND needs. The Pre-school was able to support families with complex needs, and made speech and language referrals and were able to support transition of children with Educational Health Care plans.

Financial review

A deficit of £65,965 has occurred this year, compared to a surplus of £48,910 for the previous year. This deficit is largely due to a charge of £80,766 in respect of the amortisation of some of the building costs in the developing of the Weavers Fields Pre-School. The amount of these amortisation cost was able to be set against a similar credit from the capital grant reserve, set up using the grant income given for the purpose of establishing the Pre-School facilities.

The Trustee's reserves policy has enabled the Trustees to consider, plan and react accordingly to the ever changing circumstances in the knowledge that immediate costs could be met without income.

Staff were given a pay rise in April 21, in line with the National Living Wage. This will continue to be considered in conjunction with any future forecasting and budgets as the Trustees and management are committed in retaining staff.

The return of children to the nursery, and new intake in September 2021 remained at a reasonable level and thus the Trustees are hopeful, assuming minimal impact by Covid, that during 2021/22 attendance and fees will recover to similar levels as in previous years.

Principal Funding Sources

The Financial Support Services project is funded through charging the service users.

The principal funding sources for the Nursery were through fees, nursery vouchers and the 3 year old nursery educational grant.

The principal funding sources for the Pre-school were through Early Learning for 2 year old and 3 year old nursery educational grant.

Investment Policy

The policy of the Management Committee is to place surplus funds into an interest bearing account whilst maintaining sufficient funds in a current bank account to cover immediate liabilities.

Reserves Policy

The Management Committee ensures that sufficient reserves are maintained to allow the charity to continue to undertake its day to day activities, should any unforeseen circumstances arise. The Management Committee has considered its Reserves Policy in light of the main risks to the organisation. The committee recognises that the organisation needs to have sufficient reserves to allow it to cover known liabilities and contingencies, absorb setbacks and take advantage of change and opportunity. It has therefore established a policy whereby the general funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets held by the charity should be equivalent to between 6 and 12 months of the annual expenditure.

Note 17 sets out an analysis of the designated reserves. The reserves are needed to meet the working capital requirements of the charity, and the Management Committee are confident that they would be able to continue the current activities of the charity in the event of a significant drop in funding.

Designated reserves are utilised as and when needed. The committee recognises that without the availability of these reserves the pre-school development project would not have been possible. The committee also recognises that without the availability of reserves the financial stability of the whole organisation would not have been possible in this world pandemic crisis. Such a reserve policy has been invaluable this year due to Covid, and will, in the following year offering security in our ability to remain open and deal with the challenges of this pandemic.

It is likely that the pre-school and nursery will require subsidy in 2021/22 whilst it recovers and starts to building up children's numbers.

Plans for the Future

EYNTH will continue to champion the provision of high quality education and care in London Borough of Tower Hamlets. EYNTH will continue to provide support for early year's providers though the infrastructure support that will strengthen the sector during a period of great uncertainty and financial pressure.

Infrastructure Support to Early Years Providers

EYNTH will continue to provide "Financial Support services for Voluntary Sector Sessional or Full Day-care Childcare Providers".

Weavers Fields Community Nursery

We will continue to develop and expand Weavers Field Community Nursery with the aim of providing a centre of excellence in child care provision for the local community. We continue to maintain a healthy waiting list of children and we continually explore a number of options as part of the review process to keep the nursery financially sustainable and viable.

The priority for the nursery next year is to further develop the garden area.

Weavers Fields Pre-School

A shortage of Early Learning for 2 year old places remains the Local Authority main concern. The take up of funded places remain at its low as parents build up their confidence in sending their children outside of their home environment. The pre-school facilitates funded childcare places for parents of 2 and 3 year olds looking for sessional care. We will work with the Children Centres and the Local Authority Early Years' Service to increase the intake of children.

The priority for the pre-school is to advertise its services to local families to increase the uptake of funded places.

Acknowledgment

EYNTH would like to thank the committee and staff for the smooth running of the organisation in this challenging and exciting time. EYNTH would also like to take this opportunity to thank London Borough of Tower Hamlets, Providence Row Housing association, Parents and all the early years' providers in Tower Hamlets for their continuous support.

Small Company Exemptions

This report has been prepared and delivered in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime and with the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice (FRS102).

Approval

This report was approved by the trustees on …….. 2021 and signed on their behalf by:

.....
Dolores Bray-Ash, Director and Trustee

.....

Tracy McCormack, Director and Trustee

Statement of Directors'/Trustees' Responsibilities

The trustees (who are also directors of the Early Years Network Tower Hamlets for the purposes of company law) are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year, which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and of the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, of the charitable company for the year. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) for Charities;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charitable company will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charitable company and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006 and the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charitable company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees who are also the directors of the Company for the purposes of company law, are responsible for the preparation of the trustees report and accounts in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE EARLY YEARS NETWORK TOWER HAMLETS

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the charitable company for the year ended 31st March 2021 which are set out on pages 10 to 18

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees (and also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. ('The 2006 Act')

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the company are not required to be audited under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your company's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act).

Independent examiner's statement

Since the company's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in Section 145 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants (England & Wales).

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the company as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of section 396 of the 2006 Act 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; or
4. the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities [applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)].

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.

Stuart Edwards
Member of the Institute of
Chartered Accountants
(England & Wales)
Kemp House
152-160 City Road
LONDON
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.....Date

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets
Statement of Financial Activities
& Income and Expenditure Account
For the Year Ended 31st March 2021

	Notes	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total	*2020 Restricted Funds*	*2020 Unrestricted Funds*	*2020 Total*
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Income and endowments from:							
Voluntary income	3		35,127	35,127		*3,000*	*3,000*
Investments			1,069	1,069		*2,526*	*2,526*
Charitable Activities	4	-	307,242	307,242	*30,000*	*379,791*	*409,791*
TOTAL INCOME		-	343,438	343,438	*30,000*	*385,317*	*415,317*
Expenditure on :		£	£	£	£	£	£
Raising Funds				-			-
Charitable Expenditure							
Representation, Information & Development	5	-	47,384	47,384	*30,000*	*15,761*	*45,761*
Weavers Fields Pre-School	5	-	139,376	139,376		*59,528*	*59,528*
Weavers Fields Community Nursery	5	-	219,515	219,515		*257,335*	*257,335*
Other :Governance Costs		-	3,128	3,128		*3,783*	*3,783*
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	5	-	409,403	409,403	*30,000*	*336,407*	*366,407*
Net Income/Expenditure for the year							
Net Movement in funds	6	-	(65,965)	(65,965)	-	*48,910*	*48,910*
Transfer between funds		(80,766)	80,766	-			-
Funds balances at 1 April 2020		237,351	472,295	709,646	*237,351*	*423,385*	*660,736*
Funds balances at 31 March 2021	18	156,585	487,096	643,681	*237,351*	*472,295*	*709,646*

The statement of financial activities include all gains and losses recognised in the year.

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The statement of financial activities also complies with the requirements for an income and expenditure account under the Companies Act 2006.

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets
Balance Sheet
As at 31st March 2021

	Notes		2021	2020
FIXED ASSETS		£	£	£
Tangible assets	10		100,206	*181,192*
CURRENT ASSETS				
Debtors	12	10,883		*15,370*
Investments	13	205,099		*204,030*
Cash at bank & in hand		562,957		*486,635*
		778,939		*706,035*
LIABILITIES				
Creditors : Amounts falling due within one year	14	235,464		*177,581*
		235,464		*177,581*
NET CURRENT ASSETS			543,475	*528,454*
NET ASSETS			643,681	*709,646*
			£	£
FUNDS OF THE CHARITY				
Unrestricted Funds	17/18		487,096	*472,295*
Restricted Funds	15/16		156,585	*237,351*
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS	18		643,681	*709,646*

The company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, relating to small companies, and no members have required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and preparation of accounts.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions relating to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The accounts were approved by the trustees on:

..... Date

..... Dolores Bray-Ash Director

..... Tracy McCormack Director

The notes on pages 12 to 18 form part of these financial statements.

1. Accounting Policies

a) Basis of preparation of the financial statements

The financial statements accounts are prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The company has taken advantage of the exemptions available to smaller charities not to prepare a Statement of Cashflows within the financial statements.
The functional currency of the Charity is sterling , and the amounts in the financial statements are rounded to the nearest pound.

b) Legal Status

Early Years Network Tower Hamlets is a private charitable company, limited by guarantee, and registered in England & Wales.
The company meets the definition of a public benefit entity.
In the event of the Charity being wound up, the liability of each member in respect of their guarantee is limited to an amount not exceeding £1.
The registered address is Weavers' Community Space, 15 Kelsey St, Bethnal Green, London E2 6HD.

c) Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources receivable or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose and are available as general funds.
Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the management committee for particular purposes.
Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor.
Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund together with any other costs agreed by the donor.

d) Incoming Resources

Income is recognised when the charity is legally entitled to it after any performance conditions have been met, the amounts can be measured reliably, and it is probable that income will be received.
Donations are recognised on receipt.

e) Resources expended

The expenses classifed as 'Charitable Activities' are those directly attributable to the general objects of the charity. ' Raising funds' are those expenses incurred in seeking funding for the charity. 'Governance costs' comprise all costs incurred in governing the charity.

f) Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.
Fixed assets with a useful life greater than one year and a purchase price exceeding £500 are capitalised , and depreciated over its expected useful life, usually 4 years.
Leased assets are amortised over the period of the lease using the 'sum of digits' method.

g) Impairment of tangible fixed assets

At each reporting date , the charity reviews the carrying amounts of its tangible fixed assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have suffered an impairment loss. if such indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated to determine the extent of the impairment loss (if any).

h) Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are donations and other incoming resources receivable or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose and are available as general funds.
Designated funds are unrestricted funds earmarked by the management committee for particular purposes.
Restricted funds are to be used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor.
Expenditure which meets these criteria is charged to the fund together with any other costs agreed by the donor.

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

i) Resources Expended:
Charitable expenditure comprises those costs incurred by the charity in the delivery of its activities and services for beneficiaries. It includes both costs that can be allocated directly to such activities and those costs of an indirect nature to support them.

Governance costs include those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity and include audit fees and costs linked to the strategic management of the charity.

Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly. Other costs are allocated on an appropriate basis such as staff time or estimated usage.

j) Cash and cash equivalents
Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand , deposits held on call with banks, other short-term liquid investmentswith original maturities of three months or less, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities.

k) Financial Instruments
The charity has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value.

l) Employee benefits
The cost of unused holiday entitlements is charged in the period in which the employee services are received.

m) Retirement benefits
Payments to defined contribution retirement benefit schemes are charged as an expense as they fall due.

2. Critical accounting estimates and judgements
In the application of the charity's accounting policies the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period or in the period of the revision and future periods where the revision affects both current and future periods.

3. Voluntary Income from donations & grants

	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total	*2020 Restricted Funds*	*2020 Unrestricted Funds*	*2020 Total*
	£	£	£	*£*	*£*	*£*
Sundry Income & Donations		**5,092**	**5,092**		3,000	*3,000*
HMRC CVJRS		**30,035**	**30,035**			
	-	**35,127**	**35,127**	*-*	*3,000*	*3,000*

4. Income from Charitable Actvities

	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total	*2020 Restricted Funds*	*2020 Unrestricted Funds*	*2020 Total*
	£	£	£	*£*	*£*	*£*
L.B.Tower Hamlets :						
~Early Years Service S.L.A.			**-**	*30,000*		*30,000*
~Two Year Olds Capital Funding			**-**			*-*
Training Course Income			**-**			*-*
Service Charges to Playgroups		**13,650**	**13,650**			*-*
Nursery Fees & L.A Funding		**217,591**	**217,591**		*306,758*	*306,758*
Pre-School LA Funding		**76,001**	**76,001**		*71,923*	*71,923*
Sundry			**-**		*1,110*	*1,110*
	-	**307,242**	**307,242**	*30,000*	*379,791*	*409,791*

5. Charitable Expenditure

	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Total	*2020 Restricted Funds*	*2020 Unrestricted Funds*	*2020 Total*
	£	£	£	*£*	*£*	*£*
Representation, Information & Development		**47,384**	**47,384**	*30,000*	*15,761*	*45,761*
Weavers Fields PreSchool		**139,376**	**139,376**		*59,528*	*59,528*
Weavers Fields Community Nursery		**219,515**	**219,515**		*257,335*	*257,335*
	-	**406,275**	**406,275**	*30,000*	*332,624*	*362,624*
Governance Costs		**3,128**	**3,128**		*3,783*	*3,783*
Total Spend	**-**	**409,403**	**409,403**	*30,000*	*336,407*	*366,407*

Analysis of Charitable Expenditure	Salaries	Other	Total	*2020 Salaries*	*2020 Other*	*2020 Total*
	£	£	£	*£*	*£*	*£*
Representation, Information & Development	**42,829**	**4,555**	**47,384**	*39,828*	*5,933*	*45,761*
Weavers Fields PreSchool	**42,570**	**96,806**	**139,376**	*39,592*	*19,936*	*59,528*
Weavers Fields Community Nursery	**184,131**	**35,384**	**219,515**	*201,160*	*56,175*	*257,335*
	269,530	**136,745**	**406,275**	*280,580*	*82,044*	*362,624*

	2021	2020

6. NET INCOMING RESOURCES FOR THE YEAR

This is stated after charging

	£	£
Depreciation	-	-
Independent Examiner's Fees	2,150	2,150

7. STAFF COSTS AND NUMBERS

	£	£
Salaries and Wages	246,523	255,679
Employer's NI (net of S.M.P.)	18,423	19,906
Employer's Pension Contribution	4,584	4,997
	264,946	275,585

No employee received emoluments of more than £60,000.

The directors/trustees do not receive any remuneration in respect of their services as directors/trustees.

Particulars of employees:

The average weekly number of full-time equivalent employees during the year was as follows :	F.T.E	F.T.E
	No	No
Representation, Information & Development	0.75	0.75
Weavers Fields Community Nursery	8.00	8.00
Weavers Fields Pre-School	2.00	2.00
	10.75	10.75

8. TRUSTEE & RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

No directors/trustees or any person connected with them received remuneration in the year in respect of their services as directors/trustees . (2020 £Nil)
Travel expenses of £682 (2020 £637) were reimbursed to one (2020 one) director/trustee during the year. No directors/trustees, or any person connected to them or related to the charity , had any personal interest in any contract or transaction. (2020 None)
Owing to the nature of EYNTH'S operations, as set out in the trustees 'report, and the composition of its' trustees, transactions may occur with local playgroups with which trustees have a connection. All such transactions are conducted at arm's length and in accordance with EYNTH'S normal procedures.

There were no other related party transactions during the year.

9. TAXATION

The charitable company is exempt from corporation tax on its' charitable activities.

10. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Office Equipment	Computer Equipment	Weavers Field Pre-School Costs	Total
Cost	£	£	£	£
Opening Balance	29,551	16,252	180,535	226,338
Additions				-
Closing Balance	29,551	16,252	180,535	226,338
Depreciation				
Opening Balance	29,550	15,596	-	45,146
Charge for the year		220	80,766	220
Closing Balance	29,550	15,816	-	45,366
NET BOOK VALUE	1	436	99,769	100,206
NET BOOK VALUE LAST YEAR	1	656	180,535	181,192

The company signed a lease in respect of its' premises at 15 Kelsey St on the 19th December 2005 for a period of 26 years. On the 5th April 2016 the company signed a lease for a period of 20 years in respect of premises at Drapers City Foyer,Mape St,London E2. The amortised costs of the PreSchool are set off against the Capital Reserve over the term of the lease on the sum of digits method. The charge in the year represents 5 years amortisation due to the delay in the opening of the Pre-school and the Covid 19 Pandemic.

11. Financial Instruments

	2021	2020
	£	£
Carrying amount of financial assets		
Debt instruments measured at amortised cost (Operating debt 0% Interest)	**10,883**	15,370
Debt instruments measured at amortised cost (Investment debt at 0.75% Interest, 12 month deposit maturing October 2020)	**205,099**	204,029
Carrying amount of financial liabilities	**£**	£
Measured at amortised cost	**235,464**	177,581

12. DEBTORS & PREPAYMENTS

	£	£
Trade Debtors	**7,827**	12,212
Prepayments & Accrued Income	**3,056**	3,158
	10,883	15,370

13. INVESTMENTS

	£	£
Short term deposit with Nationwide Bank	**205,099**	*204,029*
	£	£
Opening Balance	**204,029**	201,503
Interest Received	**1,070**	2,526
Closing Balance	**205,099**	204,029

14. CREDITORS :Amounts falling due within one year:

	£	£
Trade Creditors	**173,179**	*112,145*
Taxation and Social Security	**933**	-
Other Creditors & Accrued Income	**61,352**	*65,436*
Bank Overdraft		-
	235,464	*177,581*

15. RESTRICTED FUNDS

	Representation, Information , Development	Weavers Field Community Nursery	Weavers Field Pre-School	Total	*2020*
Grant Income	**£**	**£**	**£**	**£**	*£*
L.B.Tower Hamlets:					
~Early Years Service S.L.A.	-			-	*30,000*
	-	-	-	-	*30,000*
	£	**£**	**£**	**£**	*£*
Direct Charitable Expenditure					
Representation, Information & Development				-	*30,000*
Weavers Fields Community Nursery				-	-
	-	-	-	-	*30,000*
Net Incoming/Outgoing Resources	-	-	-	-	-
Funds Brought Forward	**54,316**	**2,500**	**180,535**	**237,351**	*237,351*
Transfer (to)/from general funds			**(80,766)**	**(80,766)**	
Funds Carried forward	**54,316**	**2,500**	**99,769**	**156,585**	*237,351*

The transfer of £80,766 represents 5 years amortisation of the building costs in dveloping the Weavers Field PreSchool

In accordance with Section 37 of the Local Government and Housing Act 1989, we confirm that the funding below from the L.B. Of Tower Hamlets was used for the purposes for which it was given, as follows:

	At 1st April 2020	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfer	At 31st March 2021
	£	**£**	**£**	**£**	**£**
Early Years Professionals Fund	**2,500**				**2,500**
	2,500	**-**	**-**	**-**	**2,500**

16. MOVEMENT IN RESTRICTED FUNDS

	At 1st April 2020	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfer	At 31st March 2021
L.B.Tower Hamlets:	**£**	**£**	**£**	**£**	**£**
~Early Years Service S.L.A.	**-**	**-**	**-**		**-**
~Nursery Funding	**2,500**				**2,500**
~Two Year Olds Capital Funding	**180,535**			**(80,766)**	**99,769**
Restricted Reserve	**54,316**				**54,316**
	237,351	**-**	**-**	**(80,766)**	**156,585**

Purpose of Funding

Early Years Service S.L.A.- to fund the infrastructure support services to Early Years Groups.
NurseryFunds - to fund training of Early Years Professionals
Two Year Olds Capital Funding- to Fund Development of Weavers Field Pre-School
Restricted Reserve Fund - to fund representation, development, training and support to Early Years Groups.

17. DESIGNATED FUNDS

		At 1st April 2020	Transfers	At 31st March 2021
		£	£	£
a	Staff Contingency Fund	98,222		98,222
b	Financial Services Support Cash Flow Fund	30,000		30,000
c	Nursery Cash Flow/Contingency Fund	20,000		20,000
d	Weavers Pre-School Development Fund	25,977		25,977
e	Training Course Development Fund	65,086		65,086
f	Office furniture and Equipment Fund	20,000		20,000
g	Premises Development & Maintenance Fund	42,487		42,487
h	Health & Safety/Quality Assurance	7,000		7,000
		308,772	-	308,772

Designated Funds

a This fund is to cover liabilities arising from contracts of employment with staff and the potential cost of cover for staff redundencies, staff on maternity leave, paternity leave, sick leave and compansionate leave.
b This fund is to support the cash flow problems arising from late payments of grants; and to provide an element of continuity of service in the event of any loss of funding.
c This fund provides cash flow cover for the community nursery.
d As part of commitment to the Early Learning for Two Year Olds Capital Funding agreement, this fund will facilitate the development of the Weavers Fields PreSchool pre-school and support the Cashflow.
e This fund is to support the set up of childcare Training Course and to support cash flow issues.
f This fund is to cover the cost of new computers and other new office equipment, furnishings.
g This provides for the cyclical internal/external refurbishment and development of the premises.
h This fund is to cover the cost of improvements to health and safety practice and to fund the further development of quality assurance in service provision.

18. MOVEMENT IN TOTAL FUNDS

	At 1st April 2020	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers to Reserves	At 31st March 2021
Restricted Funds (Note 15/16)	237,351	-	-	(80,766)	156,586
Unrestricted Funds					
Designated Funds (Note 17)	308,772				308,772
General Funds	163,522	343,438	(409,402)	80,766	178,323
Total Unrestricted Funds	472,294	343,438	(409,403)	-	487,095
Total Funds	709,646	343,438	(409,403)	-	643,681

19. Other Commitments

At 31st March the company had annual commitments under it's leases as follows:

- premises at 15 Kelsey St London E2:	2021	*2020*
Expiry date	£	£
Sinking fund per annum over five years	3,009	*3,009*

- premises at Drapers City Foyer,Mape St,London E2:		
Expiry date	£	£
Rent per annum over five years	15,000	-

20. Contingent Liabilities

Under the terms of the charity's lease of it's premises, a sinking fund is being established from payments made by the charity to the Landlord, amounting to £2,835 per annum over the term of the lease. This sinking fund is to be used by the Landlord to meet the Landlord's repair obligations outlined in the lease. In the event of the Landlord's repair obligations under the lease being in excess of the sinking fund, the charity can, under the terms of the lease, be called on to fund any shortfall.