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The Children's Garden
Company Limited by Guarantee
Unaudited Financial Statements
31 July 2021

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Trustees' Annual Report (Incorporating the Director's Report)
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The trustees, who are also the directors for the purposes of company law, present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 July 2021.

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name	The Children's Garden
Charity registration number	1110681
Company registration number	04189604
Principal office and registered office	26 Hazledene Road London W4 3JB
The trustees	R Charriere F Clegg R Hardy B McQuillan
Independent examiner	Colin Reid Camburgh House 27 New Dover Road Canterbury Kent CT1 3DN

Structure, governance and management

Trustees are officially appointed by the Association and the candidates are proposed by other trustees or members of the management team. Trustees are chosen for their motivation and the specific knowledge and skills they can offer to the charity. They are appointed by the Association through majority vote during the Annual General Meeting.

New trustees are expected to familiarise themselves with the charity's methods, governing documentation and the legal requirements attached to their position imposed by the Charities Act 2016 and the Companies Act 2006. All trustees are DBS checked and need to be approved by Ofsted.

The charity also complies with the rules and regulations imposed by Richmond Borough Council and is subject to Ofsted inspections.

Administrative Information

The Children's Garden is situated at the Woodville Day Centre in Woodville Road, Ham, Surrey TW10 7QW. The correspondence address is 26 Hazledene Road, London W4 3JB.

The kindergarten has been incorporated as a company limited by guarantee. None of the trustees hold shares and nor do they have any other financial interests in the company. Any profits are reinvested in the kindergarten to further improve its facilities and services offered.

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Objectives and activities

The primary objective of the kindergarten is the provision of nursery education for children aged 3 to 6 1/2 years based on the teachings of the late Dr Rudolf Steiner.

Aims and Purpose

The mission of the kindergarten is to promote nursery education based on the teachings of Dr Rudolf Steiner.

Achievements and performance

During the year 2020/21 the kindergarten continued to provide high quality nursery education to a wide variety of families in the local community. Our unique approach to early years education offered a valuable element of choice to families in the area. During the first two terms of the year Coronavirus restrictions prevented us from running our usual parent and child groups. This had an adverse effect on our income and also resulted in a lower uptake of places in the following year. It was therefore a great relief when we were able to run the group again in the summer term. The group, which is run along the principles of Steiner education combined with the Emmi Pikler approach, was well attended from the start. It offered parents with babies and very young children a welcome opportunity to find support and socialise again after the months of social isolation during lockdown. Children who attend the parent and child group often join the kindergarten once they have reached the appropriate age.

During 2020/21 we continued with the new format that was introduced during the summer term of 2020 offering a longer kindergarten session of six hours per day four days a week. This was well received by the parent community and addressed the increased need for childcare in the community.

In conjunction with Richmond Council, The Children's Garden continued to offer the universal Early Education Funding to parents of 3- and 4-year-olds, who were able to claim the grant for up to 15 hours of nursery education a week. The kindergarten was thus accessible to a wider range of families, which increased its overall benefit to the community.

In compliance with the Code of Practice on the free entitlement to all 3- and 4-year-olds, The Children's Garden offers basic nursery education free of charge to 3- and 4-year-olds. Charges are made for extra services offered and all hours above the free entitlement.

At the end of 2020 The Children's Garden moved to new premises in the Woodville Centre in Ham, which offer improved facilities and a much better outdoors play area. The move resulted in substantial unforeseen costs and also led to a downturn in numbers as some families were unable to make the longer journey to the new location. The Trustees are hopeful, however, that the new improved premises will attract more families and that the kindergarten will be able to build up its numbers again over time.

The trustees and staff would like to take this opportunity of thanking the parents of the kindergarten for the many ways in which they have helped the kindergarten over the course of the year by making donations and dedicating their time and professional expertise. Special thanks are due for all the help received from the parents with the move to new premises.

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Financial review

The results for the year ended 31 July 2021 show a deficit of income over expenditure by £7,902. Our Reserves now stand at £8,748, which has moved us further from the aimed for £20,000.

The loss can be attributed to our inability to run the parent and child group for the first two terms due to Coronavirus restrictions and to unforeseen costs brought about by the move to new premises. Both events also led to a downturn in numbers.

Reserves Policy

The Children's Garden aims to keep a minimum reserve of £20,000. Any additional profits achieved are reinvested in the kindergarten to continuously improve its facilities and to provide further staff training.

Risk Management

The trustees actively review the major risks which the charity faces on a regular basis and have also examined other operational and business risks faced by the charity. The trustees confirm that they have established systems to mitigate the significant risks.

Trustees' responsibilities statement

The trustees, who are also directors 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 charity trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company and the incoming resources and application of resources, including the income and expenditure, for that period.

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 applicable Charities SORP;
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to 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 charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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Small company provisions

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies' exemption.

The trustees' annual report was approved on08/04/2022..... and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:



R Charriere
Trustee

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of The Children's Garden

Year ended 31 July 2021

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of The Children's Garden ('the charity') for the year ended 31 July 2021.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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 s.145 of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the company charity is not subject to audit under Part 16 of the Companies Act 2006 and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under s.145 of the 2011 Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the directions given by the Charity Commission under s.152(5) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Independent examiner's statement

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:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by section 386 of the 2006 Act; or
2. the financial statements do not accord with those records; or
3. the financial statements 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 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).

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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.



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Statement of Financial Activities
(including income and expenditure account)
Year ended 31 July 2021

		2021		2020
		Unrestricted	Total funds	Total funds
	Note	funds	£	£
Income and endowments				
Donations and legacies	5	5,358	5,358	11,240
Other trading activities	6	72,161	72,161	76,570
Investment income	7	20	20	71
Total income		<u>77,539</u>	<u>77,539</u>	<u>87,881</u>
Expenditure				
Expenditure on charitable activities	8,9	85,441	85,441	90,334
Total expenditure		<u>85,441</u>	<u>85,441</u>	<u>90,334</u>
Net expenditure and net movement in funds		<u>(7,902)</u>	<u>(7,902)</u>	<u>(2,453)</u>
Reconciliation of funds				
Total funds brought forward		16,650	16,650	19,103
Total funds carried forward		<u>8,748</u>	<u>8,748</u>	<u>16,650</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.
All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

The notes on pages 9 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Financial Position
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	Note	2021 £	£	2020 £
Fixed assets				
Tangible fixed assets	15		19	25
Current assets				
Debtors	16	1,853		1,000
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>21,827</u>		<u>28,780</u>
		23,680		29,780
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	17	<u>14,951</u>		<u>13,155</u>
Net current assets			8,729	16,625
Total assets less current liabilities			8,748	16,650
Net assets			8,748	16,650
Funds of the charity				
Restricted funds			—	—
Unrestricted funds			8,748	16,650
Total charity funds	20		8,748	16,650

For the year ending 31 July 2021 the charity was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

Directors' responsibilities:

- The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476;
- The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies' regime.

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 08/04/2022 and are signed on behalf of the board by:


R Charriere
Trustee

The notes on pages 9 to 15 form part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements
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1. General information

The charity is a public benefit entity and a private company limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales and a registered charity in England and Wales. The address of the registered office is 26 Hazledene Road, London, W4 3JB.

2. Statement of compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Companies Act 2006.

3. Accounting policies

Deferred income

Deferred income relates to nursery fees received in advance for the following term.

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on the historical cost basis, as modified by the revaluation of certain financial assets and liabilities and investment properties measured at fair value through income or expenditure.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the entity.

Operating leases

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged to the profit and loss account on a straight line basis over the lease term.

Going concern

There are no material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue.

Tax status

As the company has been a registered charity since August 2005, the company is exempt from corporation tax liability.

Judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements requires management to make judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts reported. These estimates and judgements are continually reviewed and are based on experience and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

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3. Accounting policies *(continued)*

Tangible assets

Tangible assets are initially recorded at cost, and subsequently stated at cost less any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Any tangible assets carried at revalued amounts are recorded at the fair value at the date of revaluation less any subsequent accumulated depreciation and subsequent accumulated impairment losses.

Depreciation

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

Equipment - 20% reducing balance

Government grants

Government grants are recognised at the fair value of the asset received or receivable. Grants are not recognised until there is reasonable assurance that the charity will comply with the conditions attaching to them and the grants will be received.

Where the grant does not impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income when the grant proceeds are received or receivable. Where the grant does impose specified future performance-related conditions on the recipient, it is recognised in income only when the performance-related conditions have been met. Where grants received are prior to satisfying the revenue recognition criteria, they are recognised as a liability.

Financial instruments

The charity only 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 with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

4. Limited by guarantee

The company is limited by guarantee and has no share capital.

Every member of the company undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company, in the event of a winding up, such amount as may be required not exceeding £1.

5. Donations and legacies

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Donations				
Donations	1,855	1,855	3,488	3,488

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5. Donations and legacies (continued)

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Grants				
Government grant income	3,503	3,503	7,752	7,752
	<u>5,358</u>	<u>5,358</u>	<u>11,240</u>	<u>11,240</u>

6. Other trading activities

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Fundraising events	16	16	2,435	2,435
Grant income	—	—	783	783
Fees	71,430	71,430	67,950	67,950
Parent and toddler group	580	580	1,239	1,239
Registration fees	135	135	180	180
Afternoon club	—	—	3,983	3,983
	<u>72,161</u>	<u>72,161</u>	<u>76,570</u>	<u>76,570</u>

7. Investment income

	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £	Unrestricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Bank interest receivable	20	20	71	71

8. Expenditure on charitable activities by fund type

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Early years education	69,641	—	69,641
Support costs	15,800	—	15,800
	<u>85,441</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>85,441</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Early years education	82,758	160	82,918
Support costs	7,416	—	7,416
	<u>90,174</u>	<u>160</u>	<u>90,334</u>

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9. Expenditure on charitable activities by activity type

	Activities undertaken directly	Support costs	Total funds 2021	Total fund 2020
	£	£	£	£
Early years education	69,641	15,736	85,377	90,248
Governance costs	—	64	64	86
	<u>69,641</u>	<u>15,800</u>	<u>85,441</u>	<u>90,334</u>

10. Analysis of support costs

	Total 2021	Total 2020
	£	£
Governance costs	64	86
Accountancy fees	1,066	1,367
Bookkeeping fees	5,928	5,928
Legal and professional fees	8,742	35
	<u>15,800</u>	<u>7,416</u>

11. Net expenditure

Net expenditure is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2021	2020
	£	£
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	<u>6</u>	<u>9</u>

12. Independent examination fees

	2021	2020
	£	£
Fees payable to the independent examiner for: Independent examination of the financial statements	<u>565</u>	<u>550</u>

13. Staff costs

The total staff costs and employee benefits for the reporting period are analysed as follows:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Wages and salaries	47,579	56,063
Social security costs	12	1,555
Employer contributions to pension plans	2,468	2,768
Other employee benefits	155	156
	<u>50,214</u>	<u>60,542</u>

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13. Staff costs (continued)

The average head count of employees during the year was 2 (2020: 3). The average number of full-time equivalent employees during the year is analysed as follows:

	2021 No.	2020 No.
Number of staff	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>

No employee received employee benefits of more than £60,000 during the year (2020: Nil).

14. Trustee remuneration and expenses

No remuneration or other benefits from employment with the charity or a related entity were received by the trustees.

15. Tangible fixed assets

	Equipment £	Total £
Cost		
At 1 August 2020 and 31 July 2021	<u>3,344</u>	<u>3,344</u>
Depreciation		
At 1 August 2020	3,319	3,319
Charge for the year	<u>6</u>	<u>6</u>
At 31 July 2021	<u>3,325</u>	<u>3,325</u>
Carrying amount		
At 31 July 2021	<u>19</u>	<u>19</u>
At 31 July 2020	<u>25</u>	<u>25</u>

16. Debtors

	2021 £	2020 £
Prepayments and accrued income	1,853	–
Other debtors	<u>–</u>	<u>1,000</u>
	<u>1,853</u>	<u>1,000</u>

17. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Trade creditors	–	40
Accruals and deferred income	14,098	12,316
Social security and other taxes	657	799
Other creditors	<u>196</u>	<u>–</u>
	<u>14,951</u>	<u>13,155</u>

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18. Pensions and other post-retirement benefits

Defined contribution plans

The amount recognised in income or expenditure as an expense in relation to defined contribution plans was £2,468 (2020: £2,768).

19. Government grants

The amounts recognised in the financial statements for government grants are as follows:

	2021	2020
	£	£
Recognised in income from donations and legacies:		
Government grants income	<u>3,503</u>	<u>7,752</u>

20. Analysis of charitable funds

Unrestricted funds

	At 1 August 2020	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 July 2021 £
General funds	<u>16,650</u>	<u>77,539</u>	<u>(85,441)</u>	<u>8,748</u>

	At 1 August 2019	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 July 2020 £
General funds	<u>18,943</u>	<u>87,881</u>	<u>(90,174)</u>	<u>16,650</u>

Restricted funds

	At 1 August 2020	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 July 2021 £
Eurythmy funds	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>—</u>

	At 1 August 2019	Income £	Expenditure £	At 31 July 2020 £
Eurythmy funds	<u>160</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>(160)</u>	<u>—</u>

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21. Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2021 £
Tangible fixed assets	19	—	19
Current assets	23,680	—	23,680
Creditors less than 1 year	(14,951)	—	(14,951)
Net assets	<u>8,748</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>8,748</u>

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds 2020 £
Tangible fixed assets	25	—	25
Current assets	29,780	—	29,780
Creditors less than 1 year	(13,155)	—	(13,155)
Net assets	<u>16,650</u>	<u>—</u>	<u>16,650</u>