



**CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01/09/2024 **Period start date** **To** 31/08/2025 **Period end date**

Charity name: Acorns Community Preschool

Charity registration number: 1121673

Objectives and Activities

| | SORP reference | |
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| Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document | Para 1.17 | Preschool childcare for children 2 years to school age, focusing on children achieving early years learning goals. |
| Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts. | Para 1.17 and 1.19 | Continue to develop and extend our resources to provide the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) provision. Maintaining standards and continuous training to offer good provision in line with our Ofsted inspection. Offer Early Years Entitlement Funding, Two Year Old Additional Funding, Extended Working Families early years funding and Early Years Pupil Premium funding. Continue to develop and enhance the provision supported by up to date training and knowledge. |
| Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit | Para 1.18 | To enhance the development and education of children under statutory school age in a parent involving community based group. |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

| | SORP reference | |
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| Policy on grant making | Para 1.38 | |
| Policy on social investment including program related investment | Para 1.38 | |
| Contribution made by volunteers | Para 1.38 | |
| Other | | |

Achievements and Performance

| | SORP reference | |
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| Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole. | Para 1.20 | <p>Fully inclusive, supporting children and families from diverse backgrounds and ensuring all children regardless of their gender, ethnicity or ability are accepted, appreciated and included.</p> <p>Continuing to provide safe, engaging and nurturing environment for children to learn through play. To meet the standards for interactive learning, development and care of children from two years to five to be ready for school and for their future development.</p> |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| Achievements against objectives set | Para 1.41 | |
| Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set | Para 1.41 | |
| Investment performance against objectives | Para 1.41 | |
| Other | | |

Financial Review

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| Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period | Para 1.21 | Reserves are kept to cover any exceptional costs that may incur and should government funding change. |
| Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held | Para 1.22 | To ensure good financial stability we aim to hold reserves that will cover basic costs for a three month period. Basic costs include: rent, wages, basic resources Any excess monies are spent improving facilities and equipment as finances allow. |
| Amount of reserves held | Para 1.22 | £53K |
| Reasons for holding zero reserves | Para 1.22 | Na |
| Details of fund materially in deficit | Para 1.24 | Na |
| Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern | Para 1.23 | na |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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| The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising) | Para 1.47 | Government Early Years funding |
| Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted | Para 1.46 | |
| A description of the principal risks facing the charity | Para 1.46 | |
| Other | | |

Structure, Governance and Management

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| Description of charity's trusts: | | |
| Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter) | Para 1.25 | Memorandum and Articles of Association |
| How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO) | Para 1.25 | Incorporated Limited by Guarantee |
| Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees | Para 1.25 | Elected |

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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

Reference and Administrative details

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| Charity name | Acorns Community Preschool Ltd |
| Other name the charity uses | |
| Registered charity number | 1121673 |
| Charity's principal address | Hanover Hall, Jennings Road, Totton, Southampton SO40 3BA |
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Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

| | Trustee name | Office (if any) | Dates acted if not for whole year | Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any) |
|----|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| 1 | Jennifer Lampard | Director | | |
| 2 | Jane Blake | Secretary | | |
| 3 | Tina Hayter | Director | | |
| 4 | Liz Gaida | Director | | |
| 5 | Kelly-Ann Donnelly | Director | | |
| 6 | Abbie Comfort | Director | July 2025 | |
| 7 | Steph Ennis | Director | July 2025-January 2026 | |
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

| Corporate trustee | Names of the directors at the date the report was approved | |
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| Director name | | |
| Jennifer Lampard | | |
| Jane Blake | | |
| Tina Hayter | | |
| Liz Gaida | | |
| Kelly-Ann Donnelly | | |
| Abbie Comfort | | |
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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

| Type of adviser | Name | Address |
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Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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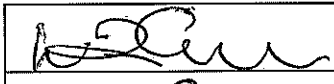
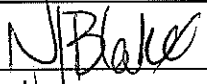
Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

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| Signature(s) |  |  |
| Full name(s) | LIZ GAIDA | NICOLA JANE BLAKE |
| Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc) | DIRECTOR | Secretary |
| Date | 2/3/2026 | |


ACORNS COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL LTD

ACCOUNTS

FOR THE PERIOD 1 SEPTEMBER 2024 TO 31 AUGUST 2025

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| COMPANY NO | 6221090 |
| REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER | 1121673 |
| ADDRESS | Hanover Hall Jennings Road Totton Hampshire SO40 3BA |
| BANKERS | Lloyds TSB Bank Plc 30 Commercial Road Totton Southampton Hampshire |

Signed on behalf of the Board of Trustees



E. Gaida
Director

ACORNS COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL LTD
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE PERIOD 1 SEPTEMBER 2024 TO 31 AUGUST 2025

| Trial Balance | | | Statement of Financial Activities | |
|--|------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|
| | CR | DR | £ | £ |
| | £ | £ | | |
| FEES RECVD | 4320.18 | | | |
| HCC FUNDING | 147749.23 | | | |
| FUND RAISING/GRANT | 1107.95 | | | |
| DEPOSITS / snack | | | | |
| refund | 103.60 | | | |
| other | 53.98 | | | |
| PHOTO COMMISSION | | | | |
| Bank Interest | 375.37 | | | |
| Apprenticeship payment | 500 | | | |
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| Total Incoming Resources | 154210.31 | | | 154210.31 |
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| MATERIALS | | 2831.50 | | |
| EQUIPMENT | | 5044.99 | | |
| Stationery | | 462.60 | | |
| RENT | | 10833.74 | | |
| INSURANCE | | 956.67 | | |
| WAGES | | 109892.40 | | |
| INLAND REVENUE | | 3853.27 | | |
| EVENTS & PARTIES | | 1000.18 | | |
| TELEPHONE | | 933.44 | | |
| ADVERTG | | 401.03 | | |
| HEALTH & SAFETY | | 3479.48 | | |
| TRAINING COSTS | | 1235.80 | | |
| PHOTO COPIER CONTRT | | 742.01 | | |
| MAINTENANCE | | 8334.15 | | |
| SNACK/milk | | 916.63 | | |
| SUBSCRIPTIONS | | 1304.08 | | |
| dbs | | 259.07 | | |
| HCC Vouchers | | 522.00 | | |
| Staff welfare | | 127.79 | | |
| Tshirts | | 779.23 | | |
| Other | | 2774.59 | | |
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| | | 156684.65 | | 156684.65 |
| Total Resources Expended | | | | 156684.65 |
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| TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED | | | | 154210.31 |
| NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS / OPERATING SURPLUS | | | | 156684.65 |
| UNRESTRICTED FUND B/F 2023 2024 | | | | 55583.76 |
| UNRESTRICTED FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD | | | | 53109.42 |

ACORNS COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL LTD

BALANCE SHEET

FOR THE PERIOD 1 SEPTEMBER 2024 TO 31 AUGUST 2025

NOTES

CURRENT ASSETS

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| Current Bank Balance | 15477.79 |
| Deposit account | 34548.39 |
| SEN Deposit account | 3079.7 |
| Cash in Hand | 2.81 |

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| CURRENT ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES | <u>53108.69</u> |
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FUNDS TO BE CARRIED FORWARD

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| Adjustment | minus | <u>0.73</u> |
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| CAPITAL AND RESERVES | <u>53108.69</u> |
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For the year ended 31 August 2025, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477(2) of the Companies Act 2006.

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 responsibility for: i) Ensuring the company keeps accounting records which comply with Section 386; ii) Preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year, and of its profit or loss for the financial year, in accordance with the requirements of section 393, and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act relating to accounts, so far as applicable to the company.



E Gaida
Director



CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name

Acorns Community Preschool Ltd

On accounts for the year
ended

31 August 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1121673

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended DD / MM / YYYY.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

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

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.

Signed:

Date:

23-02-2026

Name:

DAVID GEORGE LINDSAY

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

Address:

10 THE COTTAGES, MARAZINE LANE,
MARCHWOOD SOUTHAMPTON
SO40 4UX

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.