

# PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE

England & Wales · Charity number 1126562

## Details

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Status Registered

Legal form Charitable company

Company number [06260058](#)

Registered 2008-11-04

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE PROVISION OF RECREATIONAL AND LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES PROVIDING IN THE INTEREST OF SOCIAL WELFARE, DESIGNED TO IMPROVE THEIR CONDITIONS OF LIFE. PROVIDING SUPPORT AND ACTIVITIES WHICH DEVELOP THEIR SKILLS, CAPACITIES AND CAPABILITIES TO ENABLE THEM TO PARTICIPATE IN SOCIETY AS MATURE AND RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUALS.

**Activities:** Play Gloucestershire develop playful communities with active children. Our aim is that all children and young people in Gloucestershire should have regular and easy access to high quality, free and inclusive places for play and recreation. We provide play delivery, play advocacy and therapeutic play nurture. Volunteering is an important part of our work and our message is "Get Out and Play!"

## Classification

- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Arts/culture/heritage/science, Environment/conservation/heritage, Economic/community Development/employment, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities

## Geography

- **Area of benefit:** GLOUCESTERSHIRE
- Gloucestershire
- Herefordshire
- Worcestershire

## Finances

| Period end | Income   | Expenditure | Assets   | Employees |
|------------|----------|-------------|----------|-----------|
| 2025-03-31 | £400,418 | £338,308    | -        | -         |
| 2024-03-31 | £246,735 | £324,132    | -        | -         |
| 2023-03-31 | £345,915 | £258,700    | -        | -         |
| 2022-03-31 | £514,406 | £265,406    | £386,222 | 6         |
| 2021-03-31 | £233,012 | £228,941    | -        | -         |

## Trustees

| Name                           | Role  | Appointed  |
|--------------------------------|-------|------------|
| Diane Mautterer                | Chair | 2017-07-18 |
| Kay Christine Lillington       |       | 2023-07-03 |
| Lindsay Jane Bridgeman Chaplin |       | 2022-08-17 |
| MATTHEW GUY ARTHUR             |       |            |
| Sameera Harun Veshmia          |       | 2025-05-07 |

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# Accounts

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**PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE**

**COMPANY NUMBER 6260058**

**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1126562**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE

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COMPANY INFORMATION

for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

**Trustees & directors:**

|                 |                        |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| Diane Mautterer |                        |
| Matthew Arthur  |                        |
| Jenni Wilson    | left 7th May 2025      |
| Lindsay Chaplin |                        |
| Kay Lillington  |                        |
| Sameera Veshmia | appointed 7th May 2025 |

**Key management personnel:** Ben Morris

**Secretary:** Helen Logan

**Registered office:** Unit R7-R9  
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**Company number:** 06260058

**Charity number:** 1126562

**Independent examiner:** Patrick Morrello ACA  
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PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE  
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

The Trustees (who are also directors for the purposes of company law) present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025. Included within the trustees' report is the directors' report as required by company law.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 2 to the accounts and comply with the Charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, in accordance with Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities SORP (FRS102) and the Companies Act 2006.

**Objectives and Activities**

The objects of the charity are:

To advance in life and help young people up to the age of 19 through:

(a) The provision of recreational and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare, designed to improve their conditions of life.

(b) Providing support and activities which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals.

The charity has a shared vision of happy and healthy childhoods full of outdoor play. Play Gloucestershire is a charity which believes that playing outdoors is an essential part of a happy, healthy childhood, and at the heart of a nurturing community. We provide fun, adventurous and inclusive opportunities for local outdoor play, to transform children's lives and help them build active, positive futures.

The main areas of activity used to achieve these objectives are:

- Providing free open access play opportunities for all in parks and public open spaces (Community Play Rangers)
- Providing volunteering and playwork opportunities for young people, through our Young Volunteer scheme. We also provide volunteering opportunities for young people taking their Duke of Edinburgh Award and provide a small number of work experience placements to children we work with and to older students.
- Encouraging children and families to be active by offering ideas for active games and activities at play sessions; encouraging healthy eating by offering healthy snacks and meals and encouraging children to get involved in preparing food.
- Providing child-led outdoor play either in small groups or one-to-one for therapeutic benefit (Play Nurture)
- Promoting children's play to funders, schools, communities and working to develop playful communities across the County (play advocacy)

To assess outcomes, the charity keeps records of attendance at play sessions which are reported back to funders. Case studies, quotes and feedback from families, teachers and others are also recorded to assess impact. The charity has conducted user surveys and commissioned external evaluation reports in previous years and the current Play 2 Nurture project includes a full evaluation process, which will provide good practice for the future.

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

The charity does not make use of social investment and does not make grants.

## PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE

### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

Play Gloucestershire had 3 adult general volunteers who helped out at play sessions on an occasional basis during 2024-25; they are always in addition to paid staff and are there to provide extra support with activities and act as role models. We also had 4 volunteers who gave their time to do some maintenance work in the Sanctuary and its garden. There is also a very successful Young Volunteers programme, with 24 volunteers aged 10 - 18. They help run activities, tidy up, provide positive role models and we provide training and mentoring for them.

#### **Achievements and Performance**

This year, Play Gloucestershire continued to make a significant impact across Gloucestershire through its mission to deliver child-led, outdoor play opportunities for all. We maintained a strong presence in both rural and urban areas, delivering a unique blend of universal and targeted playwork that champions the power of play to support children's health, wellbeing and development.

#### **Targeted and Therapeutic Playwork**

Our **Play Nurture work**, delivered in partnership with the NHS as part of the multi-agency Navigational Hub (NavHub), has continued to grow in scope and impact. This collaboration has enabled us to offer responsive, therapeutic playwork interventions to children and families with complex needs — reinforcing our reputation as a trusted, flexible partner in early intervention and family support.

Our **Play2Nurture project**, funded by The National Lottery, came to a close this year after three successful years of combining universal community play with targeted therapeutic playwork in the GL1 postcode. The project supported hundreds of children through challenging life experiences and left a strong legacy in Gloucester communities.

[Read the Impact Report here](#)

A highlight of the year included **staff training at an alternative provision school**, where our approach to playwork was shared with education professionals seeking new ways to engage and support their pupils. This partnership reflects our belief that playwork can be transformative across education, care, and health settings.

#### **Celebration and Inclusion**

Our **National Play Day event**, delivered in partnership with The Virtual School, brought together foster families and children in care from across Gloucestershire. This joyful celebration of play was a powerful reminder of how play can build community, confidence and connection — particularly for those who need it most.

We were immensely proud to receive the '**Altogether Different' Award** at the National Playwork Awards. This recognition celebrates our commitment to inclusion, diversity and equity through playwork practice — and our ability to translate playwork theory into real-world impact.

A member of our management team also achieved a **Distinction in her Play Therapy training**, and now brings these qualified therapeutic skills into both our targeted and universal work, benefitting children and families across our offer.

#### **Community and Partnership Success**

Our partnership with the **Gloucestershire Gateway Trust** has remained strong. We were particularly pleased to see them awarded the contract to run **Children and Family Hubs** in Gloucester and the Forest of Dean — a development that will create new opportunities for play-based support and collaboration in these areas in the years ahead.

We've continued our commitment to supporting other organisations too — offering guidance to a fellow charity in Bristol as they successfully launched their own **Play Ranger** offer, sharing our knowledge to benefit even more children beyond county boundaries.

## PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE

### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

With support from **Sovereign Network Group**, we delivered **holiday play provision in Stroud**, complementing ongoing after-school play funded by Stroud Town Council to provide a consistent, year-round service. This funding also enabled us to introduce **after-school play provision in Bishops Cleeve**, establishing a long-term play presence that will work alongside the Parish Council's investment in their hugely popular community fun days that we have been once again asked to organise and

In another example of our responsive approach, one of our core team members went above and beyond to advocate for a family referred through NavHub. By leveraging the strength of our partnerships and the charity's trusted reputation, urgent and meaningful support was secured for a family in crisis — a powerful example of how we act as **resource matchmakers**, always striving to create the best possible outcomes for those we work with.

#### Workforce Development and Sector Leadership

We welcomed three new **Apprentice Rangers** in summer 2024, all former young volunteers now developing their skills through on-the-job learning alongside our experienced team. This is a clear indicator of our **Young Volunteers programme's success in creating the playwork leaders of tomorrow**.

Investment in our team included allocating training budget for one staff member to gain her **driving licence**, a practical step that will expand our capacity to deliver community and targeted play sessions in more locations.

Nationally, our **Director of Play was invited to join the working group developing new National Occupational Standards for Playwork and qualifications**. This vital work puts us at the heart of shaping the future of the profession and supports ongoing momentum towards a **National Play Strategy**, reinforcing our belief that play must be recognised as a fundamental right and need for all

#### Play Statistics

In 2024-25 our Community play sessions delivered 855 hours of play, receiving 10,199 play visits; Play Nurture small group work and 1:1 work delivered 398 hours and 1,349 play visits; the Play 2 Nurture project delivered 421 hours, with 1,521 play visits. This gives a total of 1,674 hours, receiving 13,069 play visits.

#### Beneficiaries of our services

The main beneficiaries of our services are children, with our core age range being 8 to 14. This includes looked-after children, children dealing with difficulties in their lives which may include domestic abuse, bereavement, difficulties making friendships, as well as those dealing with the usual ups and downs of childhood. We work with children at public green spaces near their homes and focus on areas of urban deprivation or rural isolation. We also work with referred children in schools and also in a SEND provision setting. Further beneficiaries are the children's families and carers, school staff and local communities where we engage with local people to improve provision of safe places to play and to increase use of green spaces.

#### Financial Review

The charity faced a challenging situation towards the end of the financial year as play nurture work funded by two large grants came to an end, funding £85k and £100k a year. This risk had been identified by the Trustees well in advance and reserves were kept at a high level to support continuing provision with the current cohort of children while alternative funding was found or future restructuring planned. A new three-year Lottery project was applied for and was approved in May 2025 (£85k per year) and a further £100k grant was secured at the end of March 2025. Reserves have been used to continue Play2Nurture work at a slightly reduced level so that the current cohort of children could be supported until the new project starts in July. Securing the Lottery grant over the next three years provides reliable funding for a large part of our play nurture work; a challenge for next year remains securing funding for the nurture work in schools if we want to maintain provision at the current level and retain our skilled staff

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## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

Community work continues to be reliably funded by regular funders at about £100k a year; demand remains high and funders are happy with the provision. School holidays are fully booked with community playdays and a new after-school site in Bishops Cleeve has been added, with funding from Sovereign Housing Association.

### Going concern

At meetings, the Trustees review the financial report which includes cashflow and budget updates. Cashflow projections are made for the next 12 months and budgets are also prepared to give at least 12 months view of the charity's finances. Trustees are kept up to date with progress on renewing annual service agreements, which is done as far in advance as is possible; the majority are repeat funders and many have been with us for more than 10 years. Trustees are also kept informed of planning, research and progress in securing new funding for developing a combination of community and Play Nurture work, which is ongoing and aligned with the charity's strategic plan. Successful recent bids have been made to the NHS, National Lottery and Gloucestershire County Council for this type of project. Reports also monitor the current and projected level of unrestricted reserves. On the basis of this information, the Trustees are satisfied that the charity is a going concern

### Reserves policy

The trustees adopt a risk-based approach to reserves.

A key risk for 2025-26 was the ending of two large funds supporting play nurture work (Lottery and NHS grants). As detailed above there was a delay in securing further grants, so reserves were maintained to allow for continuing work with the current cohort of children while securing funding or planning a restructure. Play Nurture work in schools remains funded on a single year basis by a large NHS grant (£100k), so reserves will need to be in place towards the final quarter of the financial year in case there are any delays or difficulties in finding funds for 2026-27. Once again this would give time to secure funding – in recent experience it has taken up to six months to apply for and secure large grants. Nurture work requires a higher level of skills and training for staff, so it is important to retain staff because it is difficult to recruit people who can immediately work at that level.

Other risks requiring reserves are the replacement of our remaining four 15-year old diesel vans with electric or hybrid versions. We currently have two electric vehicles and this year are looking to acquire another. We are a mobile service so reliable vans are essential and as an environmentally-aware organization we want to transition to low emission vehicles.

Another risk identified by the trustees is that of large statutory redundancy payments needing to be made in the event of winding the charity up; most contract staff have been with the charity for many years. Estimated cost as at May 2025 would be £39k.

Finally, funders often ask how the charity can demonstrate that it is sustainable and this requires holding a reasonable level of reserves to cover gaps in funding.

The target range for reserves has been identified as between £164k and £214k.

Reserves as at 31 March 2025 were as follows:

|                           | £             | £                     |
|---------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| <u>Restricted Funds</u>   |               | 182,315               |
| <u>Unrestricted Funds</u> |               |                       |
| General Funds             | 243,972       |                       |
| Designated Funds          | <u>31,863</u> |                       |
|                           |               | 275,835               |
| <b>Total funds</b>        |               | <b><u>458,150</u></b> |

PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE  
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

### **Chair's Report**

Reflecting on 2024/25, Play Gloucestershire remains in a healthy financial position. We continue to offer community play and Play 2 Nurture, with a high demand for both universal and targeted play, supporting children and providing an opportunity to play and develop. Our Play 2 Nurture project, offering more targeted support came to end after three years of National Lottery funding.

We have welcomed three new apprentice Play Rangers, all of whom have progressed from the Young Volunteer programme. This shows the power and success of the programme. Congratulations also to a member of the management team for qualifying with distinction in Play Therapy.

We were thrilled to be recognised at the National Play Awards and received the 'Altogether Different Award'.

The trustees said goodbye to Jenni, who stepped down as a trustee after many years supporting the charity. We also welcomed a new trustee, Sameera. As always, the trustees offer their thanks to all of the Play Gloucestershire staff.

### **Structure, Governance and Management**

#### **Governing Document**

Play Gloucestershire is a charitable company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 25th May 2007, and amended by written resolution on 9 October 2008. The charitable company was registered with the Charity Commission on 4 November 2008. There are currently four members who are Trustees, each of whom agree to contribute a sum not exceeding £10 in the event of the company winding up.

#### **Trustees**

As set out in the Articles of Association, there must be at least three Trustees. The Trustees are those people notified to Companies House as the Directors of Play Gloucestershire.

#### **Methods Used to Recruit and Appoint New Trustees**

If the trustees identify the need for new trustees – due to resignations, or the need for one or more trustees with specific skills – they will agree what skills, experience and knowledge are needed and agree a recruitment process, complying with the charity's governing documents.

#### **Trustee Induction and Training**

Play Gloucestershire have a Trustee induction programme that includes briefings on legal obligations under company and charity law, the contents of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, decision making processes, financial performance and introductions to key employees and other Trustees. Trustees are encouraged to attend appropriate training events to facilitate the undertaking of their role.

#### **Trustees**

The Trustees who held office during the period and up to the date of this report were as follows:

|                 |                        |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| Diane Mautterer |                        |
| Matthew Arthur  |                        |
| Jenni Wilson    | left 7th May 2025      |
| Lindsay Chaplin |                        |
| Kay Lillington  |                        |
| Sameera Veshmia | appointed 7th May 2025 |

### **Organisation**

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

The board of Trustees hold teleconference meetings as required and meet each quarter. They have appointed a Chief Executive Officer (known as the 'Director of Play') to manage the day-to-day operations of the charitable company. To facilitate effective operations, the Director of Play has delegated authority, within the terms of delegation approved by the Trustees, for operational matters including finance, employment and all play delivery. The Director of Play during this period was Ben Morris.

**Risk management**

The Charity has a risk management policy which includes an annual review of the risks the charity may face and the establishment of systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identified. It also includes procedures to follow to minimise any potential impact on the charity should those risks materialise.

**Remuneration policy for key management personnel**

Any changes to pay and remuneration for key management personnel are proposed with support from an external HR advisor to provide advice and benchmarking where this is possible.

**Related parties and relationships with other organisations**

Play Gloucestershire does not have any formal partnerships with other organisations for play delivery but has longstanding informal relationships with many charities and other organisations across the County.

**Reference and Administrative Details are shown on page one of this report.**

**Statement of trustees' responsibilities**

The trustees (who are also directors of Play Gloucestershire 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 Charities SORP;
- 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. 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.

On behalf of the board of trustees and directors



Diane Mautterer  
Chair of Trustees

Date: 21 / 10 / 2025

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT  
TO THE TRUSTEES OF  
PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2025 set out on pages 9 to 21.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities 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 ICAEW.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b)) of the Charities Act, and
- to 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 the 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 130 of the Charities Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acthave not been met; or
2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of accounts to be reached.



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Date: 23 / 10 / 2025

PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
(including Income and Expenditure Account)

for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

|                                    | Notes | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>2025<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>2025<br>£ | Total<br>Funds<br>2025<br>£ | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>2024<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>2024<br>£ | Total<br>Funds<br>2024<br>£ |
|------------------------------------|-------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Income from:</b>                |       |                                    |                                  |                             |                                    |                                  |                             |
| Donations                          | 3     | 2,956                              | 294,029                          | 296,985                     | 4,047                              | 114,822                          | 118,869                     |
| Charitable Activities              | 4     | 103,433                            | -                                | 103,433                     | 127,866                            | -                                | 127,866                     |
| <b>Total</b>                       |       | <u>106,389</u>                     | <u>294,029</u>                   | <u>400,418</u>              | <u>131,913</u>                     | <u>114,822</u>                   | <u>246,735</u>              |
| <b>Expenditure on:</b>             |       |                                    |                                  |                             |                                    |                                  |                             |
| <b>Charitable activities</b>       |       |                                    |                                  |                             |                                    |                                  |                             |
| Direct costs for play ranger teams | 6     | 76,800                             | 197,990                          | 274,790                     | 67,850                             | 209,316                          | 277,166                     |
| Support costs                      | 7     | 28,755                             | 32,161                           | 60,916                      | 5,173                              | 38,154                           | 43,327                      |
| Governance costs                   | 8     | 1,180                              | 1,422                            | 2,602                       | 3,193                              | 446.00                           | 3,639                       |
| <b>Total</b>                       |       | <u>106,735</u>                     | <u>231,573</u>                   | <u>338,308</u>              | <u>76,216</u>                      | <u>247,916</u>                   | <u>324,132</u>              |
| <b>Net income (expenditure)</b>    | 11    | (346)                              | 62,456                           | 62,110                      | 55,697                             | (133,094)                        | (77,397)                    |
| Transfer between funds             |       | (836)                              | 836                              | -                           | 1,299.00                           | - 1,299.00                       | -                           |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>       |       | <u>(1,182)</u>                     | <u>63,292</u>                    | <u>62,110</u>               | <u>56,996</u>                      | <u>(134,393)</u>                 | <u>(77,397)</u>             |
| <b>Reconciliation of funds</b>     |       |                                    |                                  |                             |                                    |                                  |                             |
| Total funds brought forward        | 18    | 277,017                            | 119,023                          | 396,040                     | 220,021                            | 253,416                          | 473,437                     |
| <b>Total funds carried forward</b> | 18    | <u><u>275,835</u></u>              | <u><u>182,315</u></u>            | <u><u>458,150</u></u>       | <u><u>277,017</u></u>              | <u><u>119,023</u></u>            | <u><u>396,040</u></u>       |

PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE  
Company number 6260058

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 March 2025

|                                     | Notes | £              | 2025<br>£      | £              | 2024<br>£      |
|-------------------------------------|-------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>FIXED ASSETS</b>                 |       |                |                |                |                |
| Tangible assets                     | 13    |                | 31,863         |                | 49,442         |
| <b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>               |       |                |                |                |                |
| Debtors                             | 14    | 17,769         |                | 43,593         |                |
| Cash at bank                        |       | <u>432,096</u> |                | <u>317,873</u> |                |
|                                     |       | 449,865        |                | 361,466        |                |
| <b>CREDITORS</b>                    |       |                |                |                |                |
| Amounts falling due within one year | 15    | <u>23,578</u>  |                | <u>14,868</u>  |                |
| <b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>           |       |                | 426,287        |                | 346,598        |
| <b>NET ASSETS</b>                   |       |                | <u>458,150</u> |                | <u>396,040</u> |
| <b>RESERVES</b>                     |       |                |                |                |                |
| Restricted Funds                    | 18    |                | 182,315        |                | 119,023        |
| Unrestricted Funds                  | 18    |                |                |                |                |
| General Funds                       |       | 243,972        |                | 227,575        |                |
| Designated Funds                    |       | <u>31,863</u>  |                | <u>49,442</u>  |                |
|                                     |       |                | 275,835        |                | 277,017        |
|                                     | 18    |                | <u>458,150</u> |                | <u>396,040</u> |

The notes on pages 11 to 21 form part of these accounts.

For the year ended 31 March 2025, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

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

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

These accounts were approved by the trustees on 21 / 10 / 2025 and are signed on their behalf by:



Diane Mautterer  
Chair of Trustees

PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE  
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the Year Ended 31 March 2025

**1 COMPANY INFORMATION**

The company is limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales; it is also a registered charity (number 1126562) whose activities are intended to be for the public benefit. Its registered office is Unit R7-R9, City Works, Alfred Street, Gloucester, GL1 4DF.

**2 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) issued in October 2019 - Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note

The financial statements are presented in sterling which is the functional currency of the charity and rounded to the nearest £ sterling.

**Going concern**

After making enquiries, the directors are not aware of any material uncertainties that cast doubt on going concern and they have a reasonable expectation that the company will be able to continue its activities for the foreseeable future, and at least twelve months from the date of approval of these accounts. Accordingly, they have continued to adopt the going concern basis in the financial statements.

More information can be found in the Trustees Report.

**Income from Charitable activities**

Income from services provided were included in incoming resources in the year in which the relevant service takes place.

**Donations**

Income from donations and grants is included in incoming resources when these are receivable.

**Expenditure**

Expenditure is included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of any VAT which cannot be recovered.

Expenditure which is directly attributable to specific activities has been included in these cost categories. Where costs are attributable to more than one activity, they have been apportioned across the cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of these resources.

**Charitable activities**

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

**Support costs**

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include back office costs, finance, personnel, payroll and governance costs which support the charity's programmes and activities.

**Tangible fixed assets**

Fixed assets are capitalised at cost and are depreciated over their estimated useful economic lives on a straight line basis as follows:

|                       |             |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| Computer equipment    | 33% on cost |
| Office equipment      | 25% on cost |
| Motor vehicles        | 25% on cost |
| Property improvements | 25% on cost |

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**Leasing**

Rentals are classed as operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor. These costs are charged to the income and expenditure account as incurred.

**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.

**Pension**

The charity operates a defined contribution stakeholder pension scheme. Contributions are charged in the accounts as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme. All contributions are charged to a main pool, each employee does not have a separate account in their name.

**Fund accounting**

Funds held by the charity are either:

Unrestricted general funds - these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees: or

Designated general funds - these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects that have been set aside by the trustees for a specific purpose: or

Restricted funds - these are funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the Charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for specific activities.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

**3 DONATIONS**

|                    | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2025<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2024<br/>£</b> |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Grants received    | -                                   | 294,029                           | 294,029                     | 114,822                     |
| Donations received | 2,956                               | -                                 | 2,956                       | 4,047                       |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>2,956</b>                        | <b>294,029</b>                    | <b>296,985</b>              | <b>118,869</b>              |
|                    | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2024<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2023<br/>£</b> |
| Grants received    | -                                   | 114,822                           | 114,822                     | 260,685                     |
| Donations received | 4,047                               | -                                 | 4,047                       | 4,020                       |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>4,047</b>                        | <b>114,822</b>                    | <b>118,869</b>              | <b>264,705</b>              |

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**4 INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES**

|                                    | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Total<br>2025<br>£ |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Play Rangers service delivery fees | 98,732                     | -                        | 98,732             |
| Other income                       | 4,701                      | -                        | 4,701              |
| Total                              | <u>103,433</u>             | <u>-</u>                 | <u>103,433</u>     |

|                                    | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Total<br>2024<br>£ |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Play Rangers service delivery fees | 117,641                    | -                        | 117,641            |
| Other income                       | 10,225                     | -                        | 10,225             |
| Total                              | <u>127,866</u>             | <u>-</u>                 | <u>127,866</u>     |

**5 GOVERNMENT GRANTS**

The government grants recognised in the accounts were as follows:

|                                                      | Total<br>2025<br>£ | Total<br>2024<br>£ |
|------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| FVAF HAF Grant for Ruspidge                          | 865                | -                  |
| NHS ICB Nav Hub & play nurture grant 2025            | 102,150            | -                  |
| Build Back Better grant for Ruspidge                 | 4,305              | -                  |
| NHS ICB Nav Hub & play nurture grant 2024            | 100,000            | -                  |
| Stroud District Council Targeted Health Grant        | 4,685              | -                  |
| Gloucestershire CC HAF Grant                         | 2,420              | -                  |
| National Lottery Community Fund RC South West Region | 44,316             | 89,803             |
| NHS ICB Kingsway Continuation Project                | -                  | 14,109             |
|                                                      | <u>258,741</u>     | <u>103,912</u>     |

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**6 DIRECT COSTS FOR PLAY RANGER TEAMS**

| <b>Current Year</b>      | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2025<br/>£</b> |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Salaries                 | 22,153                              | 163,199                           | 185,352                     |
| Pensions                 | 10,879                              | -                                 | 10,879                      |
| Childcare vouchers       | 172                                 | -                                 | 172                         |
| Insurances               | 8,209                               | 4,824                             | 13,033                      |
| Training                 | 975                                 | 2,065                             | 3,040                       |
| Phones & admin           | 2,167                               | 1,767                             | 3,934                       |
| Equipment and activities | 7,098                               | 14,749                            | 21,847                      |
| Transport & travel       | 3,339                               | 9,615                             | 12,954                      |
| Publicity                | 306                                 | 1,078                             | 1,384                       |
| DBS checks               | 556                                 | 294                               | 850                         |
| Staff uniform            | 265                                 | 399                               | 664                         |
| ICT website development  | 22                                  | -                                 | 22                          |
| Depreciation             | 19,479                              | -                                 | 19,479                      |
| Sundry                   | 1,180                               | -                                 | 1,180                       |
|                          | <u>76,800</u>                       | <u>197,990</u>                    | <u>274,790</u>              |
| <b>Comparative year</b>  | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2024<br/>£</b> |
| Salaries                 | 7,458                               | 169,376                           | 176,834                     |
| Pensions                 | 4,779                               | 5,000                             | 9,779                       |
| Childcare vouchers       | 166                                 | -                                 | 166                         |
| Insurances               | 8,200                               | 3,923                             | 12,123                      |
| Training                 | 1,112                               | 5,384                             | 6,496                       |
| Phones & admin           | 2,285                               | 837                               | 3,122                       |
| Equipment and activities | 22,705                              | 11,543                            | 34,248                      |
| Transport & travel       | 2,607                               | 9,667                             | 12,274                      |
| Publicity                | 260                                 | 3,104                             | 3,364                       |
| DBS checks               | 232                                 | 186                               | 418                         |
| Staff uniform            | 3,189                               | 211                               | 3,400                       |
| ICT                      | -                                   | 85                                | 85                          |
| Depreciation             | 14,211                              | -                                 | 14,211                      |
| Sundry                   | 646                                 | -                                 | 646                         |
|                          | <u>67,850</u>                       | <u>209,316</u>                    | <u>277,166</u>              |

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**7 SUPPORT COSTS****Current Year**

|                        | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2025<br/>£</b> |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Rent and rates         | 1,141                               | 6,741                             | 7,882                       |
| Travelling expenses    |                                     | -                                 | -                           |
| Maintenance            | 1,100                               | 4,508                             | 5,608                       |
| Office costs           | 633                                 | 832                               | 1,465                       |
| Information technology | 203                                 | 710                               | 913                         |
| Bank charges           | 39                                  | 67                                | 106                         |
| Gifts                  | -                                   | -                                 | -                           |
| Memberships            | 35                                  | -                                 | 35                          |
| Salaries               | 25,604                              | 15,601                            | 41,205                      |
| Evaluation             | -                                   | 3,702                             | 3,702                       |
|                        | <u>28,755</u>                       | <u>32,161</u>                     | <u>60,916</u>               |

**Comparative year**

|                        | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2024<br/>£</b> |
|------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Rent and rates         | 2,264                               | 4,624                             | 6,888                       |
| Travelling expenses    |                                     | -                                 | -                           |
| Maintenance            | 1,068                               | 1,545                             | 2,613                       |
| Office costs           | 917                                 | 201                               | 1,118                       |
| Information technology | 448                                 | 517                               | 965                         |
| Bank charges           | 73                                  | 37                                | 110                         |
| Gifts                  | -                                   | -                                 | -                           |
| Memberships            |                                     | -                                 | -                           |
| Salaries               | 403                                 | 26,020                            | 26,423                      |
| Evaluation             | -                                   | 5,210                             | 5,210                       |
|                        | <u>5,173</u>                        | <u>38,154</u>                     | <u>43,327</u>               |

**8 GOVERNANCE COSTS**

|                         | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2025<br/>£</b> |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Independent examination | 311                                 | 589                               | 900                         |
| Accountancy             | 310                                 | 541                               | 851                         |
| Professional fees       | 559                                 | 292                               | 851                         |
|                         | <u>1,180</u>                        | <u>1,422</u>                      | <u>2,602</u>                |

|                         | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2024<br/>£</b> |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Independent examination | 716                                 | 184                               | 900                         |
| Accountancy             | 588                                 | 262                               | 850                         |
| Professional fees       | 1,889                               | -                                 | 1,889                       |
|                         | <u>3,193</u>                        | <u>446</u>                        | <u>3,639</u>                |

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**9 TRUSTEES REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES, AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

Neither the management committee nor any persons connected with them received any remuneration or reimbursed expenses during the year (2024: Nil).

Aggregate donations from related parties were £nil (2024: £nil).

There are no donations from related parties which are outside the normal course of business and no restricted donations from related parties.

No trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity, including guarantees, during the year (2024: £nil).

**10 STAFF**

No remuneration was paid to the trustees in the year, nor were any expenses reimbursed to them. The staff costs were:

|                       | 2025           | 2024           |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|
|                       | £              | £              |
| Wages and salaries    | 216,157        | 194,908        |
| Social security costs | 10,400         | 8,349          |
| Pension costs         | 10,879         | 9,779          |
|                       | <u>237,436</u> | <u>213,036</u> |

| <b>Number of employees</b>                                                          | 2025        | 2024        |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| The average monthly number of full-time equivalent employees during the period was: |             |             |
| Charitable activities                                                               | 6.00        | 5.62        |
| Administration                                                                      | 0.70        | 0.68        |
| Total                                                                               | <u>6.70</u> | <u>6.30</u> |

The average number of contracted employees during the year was 9. (2024: 7)

No employee has employee benefits in excess of £60,000 (2024: Nil).

The key management personnel of the charity comprise the Trustees and the Chief Executive Director of Play. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £42,595 (2024: £40,506).

**11 NET INCOME EXPENDITURE**

This is stated after charging / (crediting):

|                                             | 2025   | 2024    |
|---------------------------------------------|--------|---------|
|                                             | £      | £       |
| Depreciation                                | 19,479 | 14,211  |
| Independent examiner's fee                  | 900    | 900     |
| Operating leases - rent                     | 7,882  | 6,888   |
| Loss / (profit) on disposal of fixed assets |        | (6,250) |

**12 CORPORATION TAX**

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within Chapter 3 of Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the charity.

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**13 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

|                       | Property<br>improvements | Computer<br>Equipment | Office<br>Equipment | Motor<br>Vehicles | Total          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| <b>COST</b>           | £                        | £                     | £                   | £                 | £              |
| As at 1 April 2024    | 22,943                   | 14,145                | 12,775              | 140,578           | 190,441        |
| Additions             | 1,900                    |                       |                     |                   | 1,900          |
| Disposals             |                          |                       |                     |                   |                |
| As at 31 March 2025   | <u>24,843</u>            | <u>14,145</u>         | <u>12,775</u>       | <u>140,578</u>    | <u>192,341</u> |
| <b>DEPRECIATION</b>   |                          |                       |                     |                   |                |
| As at 1 April 2024    | 21,589                   | 12,481                | 12,698              | 94,231            | 140,999        |
| Charge for the year   | 822                      | 789                   | 36                  | 17,832            | 19,479         |
| Disposal              |                          |                       |                     |                   |                |
| As at 31 March 2025   | <u>22,411</u>            | <u>13,270</u>         | <u>12,734</u>       | <u>112,063</u>    | <u>160,478</u> |
| <b>NET BOOK VALUE</b> |                          |                       |                     |                   |                |
| As at 1 April 2024    | <u>1,354</u>             | <u>1,664</u>          | <u>77</u>           | <u>46,347</u>     | <u>49,442</u>  |
| As at 31 March 2025   | <u>2,432</u>             | <u>875</u>            | <u>41</u>           | <u>28,515</u>     | <u>31,863</u>  |

**14 DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

|                | 2025<br>£     | 2024<br>£     |
|----------------|---------------|---------------|
| Trade debtors  | 6,565         | 34,182        |
| Prepayments    | 10,543        | 8,633         |
| Accrued income | 661           | 778           |
|                | <u>17,769</u> | <u>43,593</u> |

**15 CREDITORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

|                              | 2025<br>£     | 2024<br>£     |
|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Creditors                    | 7,778         | 2,968         |
| Accruals and deferred income | 10,928        | 7,592         |
| Taxation and social security | 3,410         | 3,010         |
| Other creditors              | 1,462         | 1,298         |
|                              | <u>23,578</u> | <u>14,868</u> |

**16 DEFERRED INCOME**

|                                 | 2025<br>£    | 2024<br>£    |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Deferred income brought forward | 5,000        | 5,000        |
| Income received                 | 8,000        | 5,000        |
| Income spent                    | (5,000)      | (5,000)      |
| Deferred income carried forward | <u>8,000</u> | <u>5,000</u> |

This is money paid in advance by the Virtual School to fund emergency play nurture one-to-one interventions, for example if a child is at risk of exclusion. It also funds a Play Education Day event to promote and offer support to carers/households in making children's lives more playful.

**17 OTHER COMMITMENTS**

The total of future minimum lease payments under two operating leases, are detailed in the following table:

|               | Land and Buildings |              |
|---------------|--------------------|--------------|
|               | 2025<br>£          | 2024<br>£    |
| Within 1 year | <u>2,402</u>       | <u>1,593</u> |

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**18 STATEMENT OF FUNDS**

| Current Year                            | Balance at<br>1 April 2024<br>£ | Incoming<br>Resources<br>£ | Outgoing<br>Resources<br>£ | Transfer<br>£   | Balance at<br>31 March 2025<br>£ |
|-----------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| <b><u>Restricted Funds:</u></b>         |                                 |                            |                            |                 |                                  |
| Sovereign Housing Association           | -                               | 10,000                     | (2,760)                    |                 | 7,240                            |
| Levelling Up Grants                     | 612                             | -                          | (612)                      |                 | -                                |
| Gloucestershire Gateway Trust           | -                               | 20,000                     | (20,000)                   | -               | -                                |
| Kickstart grant                         | 78                              | -                          | (78)                       | -               | -                                |
| FVAF grant Ruspidge Playday             | -                               | 865                        |                            | -               | 865                              |
| NHS ICB Kingsway Continuation Project   | 14,109                          | -                          | (12,934)                   | -               | 1,175                            |
| Glos County C HAF Grant                 | -                               | 2,420                      | (2,420)                    |                 | -                                |
| National Lottery Community Fund SW F    | 24,936                          | 44,316                     | (70,088)                   | 836             | -                                |
| Gloucestershire Community Foundation    | 851                             | -                          | (851)                      | -               | -                                |
| High Sheriff's Grant via GCF            | -                               | 1,000                      |                            |                 | 1,000                            |
| NHS ICB Nav Hub & Play Nurture 2025     | -                               | 102,150                    |                            |                 | 102,150                          |
| Morrison's Foundation                   | -                               | 2,700                      | (2,700)                    | -               | -                                |
| Build Back Better grant for Ruspidge    | -                               | 4,305                      | (4,305)                    | -               | -                                |
| Thriving Communities Grant              | 5,876                           | -                          |                            | -               | 5,876                            |
| NHS ICB Play Nurture 2023/24            | 57,079                          | 100,000                    | (95,244)                   |                 | 61,835                           |
| Avening C of E Education Fund           | -                               | 1,588                      | (1,588)                    | -               | -                                |
| Stroud District Council Targeted Health | -                               | 4,685                      | (2,511)                    | -               | 2,174                            |
| NHS CCG Kingsway project                | 3,459                           | -                          | (3,459)                    | -               | -                                |
| NHS CCG Schools project                 | 12,023                          | -                          | (12,023)                   | -               | -                                |
|                                         | <u>119,023</u>                  | <u>294,029</u>             | <u>(231,573)</u>           | <u>836</u>      | <u>182,315</u>                   |
| <b><u>Unrestricted Funds:</u></b>       |                                 |                            |                            |                 |                                  |
| <b><u>Designated Funds:</u></b>         |                                 |                            |                            |                 |                                  |
| Fixed Asset Reserves Fund               | 49,442                          | -                          | -                          | (17,579)        | 31,863                           |
|                                         | <u>49,442</u>                   | <u>-</u>                   | <u>-</u>                   | <u>(17,579)</u> | <u>31,863</u>                    |
| General Fund                            | 227,575                         | 106,389                    | (106,735)                  | 16,743          | 243,972                          |
| <b>Unrestricted Funds</b>               | <u>277,017</u>                  | <u>106,389</u>             | <u>(106,735)</u>           | <u>(836)</u>    | <u>275,835</u>                   |
| <b>Total Funds</b>                      | <u>396,040</u>                  | <u>400,418</u>             | <u>(338,308)</u>           | <u>-</u>        | <u>458,150</u>                   |

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| Comparative Year                      | Balance at<br>1 April 2023<br>£ | Incoming<br>Resources<br>£ | Outgoing<br>Resources<br>£ | Transfer<br>£  | Balance at<br>31 March 2024<br>£ |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|
| <b>Restricted Funds:</b>              |                                 |                            |                            |                |                                  |
| NHS CCG Grant                         | (1)                             |                            |                            | 1              |                                  |
| Levelling Up Grants                   | 24,521                          |                            | (23,909)                   |                | 612                              |
| Gloucestershire Gateway Trust         | 9,999                           | 10,000                     | (19,999)                   |                |                                  |
| Kickstart grant                       | 144                             |                            | (66)                       |                | 78                               |
| Cotswold Youth Network                |                                 | 910                        | (910)                      |                |                                  |
| NHS ICB Kingsway Continuation Project |                                 | 14,109                     |                            |                | 14,109                           |
| Youth Investment Fund                 | (4)                             |                            |                            | 4              |                                  |
| National Lottery Community Fund SW F  | 25,325                          | 89,803                     | (90,192)                   |                | 24,936                           |
| Gloucestershire Community Foundation  | 1,595                           |                            | (744)                      |                | 851                              |
| Erasmus                               | 9,440                           |                            | (9,440)                    |                |                                  |
| GoC Ruspidge                          | 1                               |                            |                            | (1)            |                                  |
| Thriving Communities Grant            | 5,876                           |                            |                            |                | 5,876                            |
| NHS ICB Play Nurture 2023             | 100,000                         |                            | (41,618)                   | (1,303)        | 57,079                           |
| Active Gloucestershire                | 5,952                           |                            | (5,952)                    |                |                                  |
| NHS CCG Kingsway project              | 38,069                          |                            | (34,610)                   |                | 3,459                            |
| NHS CCG Schools project               | 32,499                          | -                          | (20,476)                   | -              | 12,023                           |
|                                       | <u>253,416</u>                  | <u>114,822</u>             | <u>(247,916)</u>           | <u>(1,299)</u> | <u>119,023</u>                   |
| <b>Unrestricted Funds:</b>            |                                 |                            |                            |                |                                  |
| <b>Designated Funds:</b>              |                                 |                            |                            |                |                                  |
| Vehicle Fund                          | 20,000                          |                            |                            | (20,000)       | -                                |
| Play equipment Fund                   | 10,325                          |                            |                            | (10,325)       | -                                |
| Uniforms Fund                         | 5,000                           |                            |                            | (5,000)        | -                                |
| Office Equipment Fund                 | 5,000                           |                            |                            | (5,000)        | -                                |
| Fixed Asset Reserves Fund             | 36,858                          |                            |                            | 12,584         | 49,442                           |
|                                       | 77,183                          |                            |                            | (27,741)       | 49,442                           |
| General Fund                          | 142,838                         | 131,913                    | (76,216)                   | 29,040         | 227,575                          |
| <b>Unrestricted Funds</b>             | <u>220,021</u>                  | <u>131,913</u>             | <u>(76,216)</u>            | <u>1,299</u>   | <u>277,017</u>                   |
|                                       |                                 | -                          |                            |                |                                  |
| <b>Total Funds</b>                    | <u>473,437</u>                  | <u>246,735</u>             | <u>(324,132)</u>           |                | <u>396,040</u>                   |

**Restricted Funds:**

|                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                        |
|----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Sovereign Housing Association</b>                     | Grant to support holiday play in Stratford Park, Stroud and afterschool play in Bishops Cleeve.                                                                        |
| <b>Levelling Up Grants</b>                               | Grant from County Council to provide holiday playdays in Ruspidge during 2023-4 & year round after school and holiday play in Podsmead during 2023-4.                  |
| <b>Gloucestershire Gateway Trust</b>                     | Grant towards core costs.                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Kickstart</b>                                         | Grant to cover costs of employing and training a new member of staff on 28 hrs/week. Remaining funds to be used for training and equipment for recruited staff member. |
| <b>FVAF Grant Ruspidge Playday</b>                       | Grant from FVAF to support Ruspidge playday in Easter 2025                                                                                                             |
| <b>NHS ICB Kingsway Continuation project</b>             | Grant to fund year round after-school and holiday play in Kingsway to support nurture work in local schools and referrals from local GP practice.                      |
| <b>County Council HAF Grant</b>                          | Grant to provide active play sessions with a lunchtime meal for children during and Summer school holidays.                                                            |
| <b>National Lottery Community Fund South West Region</b> | Grant funding a three-year project offering regular, targeted Play Nurture support to children within 1 mile of the Play Sanctuary. Project ended Dec 2025.            |

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| <b>Gloucestershire Community Fdn</b>                 | Grant for a heat pump and new fencing for the Play Sanctuary.                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>High Sheriff's grant via GCF</b>                  | Grant for play equipment for Summer 2025                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>NHS ICB Nav Hub Play Nurture 2025</b>             | Grant to support small group and one to one Play Nurture delivery as part of the Multi-Agency Navigational Hub in Gloucester; grant is also to support expansion of PG to recruit new staff and lease transport to increase services.   |
| <b>Morrisons Foundation</b>                          | Grant for playkit and food for Summer 2024                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Build Back Better grant for Ruspidge</b>          | Grant to provide holiday play sessions in Ruspidge                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Thriving Communities</b>                          | Grant to support communities in running their own play sessions.                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>NHS ICB Nav Hub Play Nurture 2024</b>             | Grant to support small group and one to one Play Nurture delivery and participation in the Multi-Agency Navigational Hub trial; grant is also to support expansion of PG to recruit new staff and lease transport to increase services. |
| <b>Avening C of E Education Fund</b>                 | Grant to run two holiday play sessions in Summer 2024 and to provide portable toilet                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Stroud District Council Targeted Health Grant</b> | Grant to run Play Nurture sessions in schools in Stroud to support vulnerable children                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>NHS CCG Kingsway Project</b>                      | Grant for 2 year project to run after-school play sessions, school Play Nurture sessions and holiday play sessions across Kingsway, Gloucester.                                                                                         |
| <b>NHS CCG Play Nurture Plus Project</b>             | Grant for 2 year project to help schools develop and run their own Play Nurture sessions, train Play Champions in schools and promote the benefits of child-led play                                                                    |
| <b>Cotswold Youth Network</b>                        | Grant for inclusion training and participation in project recording feedback from children.                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Youth Investment Fund</b>                         | Grant to purchase an electric people carrier for P2N project. Bought March 2022.                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>Erasmus</b>                                       | PG is participant in PAClife project using volunteering to help young people overcome adverse circumstances. Project now ended 2023.                                                                                                    |
| <b>Growing Our Communities Grant</b>                 | Grant to support play in Ruspidge.                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Active Gloucestershire</b>                        | Grant to run Stay & Play sessions 2023-24                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b><u>General fund</u> -</b>                         | Unrestricted reserves.                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b><u>Designated Funds:</u></b>                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| <b>Vehicle Fund -</b>                                | The vehicle fund is for the repair and maintenance of motor vehicles held and a replacement scheme. Funds undesignated in 2023-24.                                                                                                      |
| <b>Equipment Funds -</b>                             | The equipment funds are for the replacement of office and play equipment held. Funds undesignated in 2023-24.                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Uniform Fund -</b>                                | To provide for uniforms. Funds undesignated in 2023-24.                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Fixed Asset Reserves Fund -</b>                   | Designated fund for the net book value of fixed assets, representing funds not freely available to be spent on the operating costs of the charity.                                                                                      |

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**ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS**

|                                                    | <b>General<br/>Fund</b> | <b>Designated<br/>Funds</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds</b> | <b>2025<br/>Total</b> |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
|                                                    | <b>£</b>                | <b>£</b>                    | <b>£</b>                    | <b>£</b>              |
| Fund balances at 31 March 2025 are represented by: |                         |                             |                             |                       |
| Tangible fixed assets                              | -                       | 31,863                      | -                           | 31,863                |
| Current assets                                     | 267,550                 | -                           | 182,315                     | 449,865               |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year     | (23,578)                | -                           | -                           | (23,578)              |
| <b>Total</b>                                       | <b>243,972</b>          | <b>31,863</b>               | <b>182,315</b>              | <b>458,150</b>        |

|                                                    | <b>General<br/>Fund</b> | <b>Designated<br/>Funds</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds</b> | <b>2024<br/>Total</b> |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
|                                                    | <b>£</b>                | <b>£</b>                    | <b>£</b>                    | <b>£</b>              |
| Fund balances at 31 March 2024 are represented by: |                         |                             |                             |                       |
| Tangible fixed assets                              | -                       | 49,442                      | 0                           | 49,442                |
| Current assets                                     | 242,443                 | -                           | 119,023                     | 361,466               |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year     | (14,868)                | -                           | -                           | (14,868)              |
| <b>Total</b>                                       | <b>227,575</b>          | <b>49,442</b>               | <b>119,023</b>              | <b>396,040</b>        |

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# Accounts

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**PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE**

**COMPANY NUMBER 6260058**

**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1126562**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

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PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE  
COMPANY INFORMATION  
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**Trustees & directors:**

Diane Mautterer  
Matthew Arthur  
Jenni Wilson  
Lindsay Chaplin  
Kay Lillington      Appointed 3/7/23

**Key management personnel:** Ben Morris

**Secretary:** Helen Logan

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PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE  
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

The Trustees (who are also directors for the purposes of company law) present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024. Included within the trustees' report is the directors' report as required by company law.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 2 to the accounts and comply with the Charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, in accordance with Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities SORP (FRS102) and the Companies Act 2006.

**Objectives and Activities**

The objects of the charity are:

To advance in life and help young people up to the age of 19 through:

- (a) The provision of recreational and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare, designed to improve their conditions of life.
- (b) Providing support and activities which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals.

The charity has a shared vision of happy and healthy childhoods full of outdoor play. Play Gloucestershire is a charity which believes that playing outdoors is an essential part of a happy, healthy childhood, and at the heart of a nurturing community. We provide fun, adventurous and inclusive opportunities for local outdoor play, to transform children's lives and help them build active, positive futures.

The main areas of activity used to achieve these objectives are:

- Providing free open access play opportunities for all in parks and public open spaces (Community Play Rangers)
- Providing volunteering and playwork opportunities for young people, through our Young Volunteer scheme. We also provide volunteering opportunities for young people taking their Duke of Edinburgh Award and provide a small number of work experience placements to children we work with and to older students.
- Encouraging children and families to be active by offering ideas for active games and activities at play sessions; encouraging healthy eating by offering healthy snacks and meals and encouraging children to get involved in preparing food.
- Providing child-led outdoor play either in small groups or one-to-one for therapeutic benefit (Play Nurture)
- Promoting children's play to funders, schools, communities and working to develop playful communities across the County (play advocacy)

To assess outcomes, the charity keeps records of attendance at play sessions which are reported back to funders. Case studies, quotes and feedback from families, teachers and others are also recorded to assess impact. The charity has conducted user surveys and commissioned external evaluation reports in previous years and the current Play 2 Nurture project includes a full evaluation process, which will provide good practice for the future.

The charity does not make use of social investment and does not make grants.

Play Gloucestershire had 1 adult general volunteer who helped out at play sessions on an occasional basis during 2023-24; they are always in addition to paid staff and are there to provide extra support with activities and act as role models. There is also a very successful Young Volunteers programme, with 15 volunteers aged 10 - 18. They help run activities, tidy up, provide positive role models and we provide training and mentoring for them.

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

### **Achievements and Performance**

In the financial year April 2023- March 2024, Play Gloucestershire celebrated numerous successes in promoting the power of play to enrich individuals and communities across Gloucestershire. At the heart of our accomplishments lies a diverse network of partners ranging from small hyper-local parish councils or community groups to larger statutory organisations like NHS Gloucestershire and The National Lottery Community Fund. This collaborative effort has yielded remarkable results:

**Increased Community Engagement:** Play Gloucestershire's inclusive approach has fostered stronger ties within communities both new and existing. By working closely with our hyper-local partners, we've ensured that play initiatives are tailored to meet the specific needs of each neighbourhood.

**Health and Well-being Impact:** Partnering with the NHS has enabled Play Gloucestershire to integrate play into a new multi-agency health and well-being pilot program. Through innovative approaches, we've demonstrated how play can contribute to physical, mental, and emotional wellness.

**Young Volunteering:** "Doing good to feel good" we have used our skills and relationships to empower 15 young people to take ownership of play projects, supporting the Play Rangers making play happen locally. By providing training and resources, we've enabled these young residents to become advocates for play within their neighbourhoods.

**Research and Evaluation:** Collaborative research and evaluation efforts with partners such as Dr Wendy Russell (specifically looking at our Play 2 Nurture project), our partner schools and NHS Gloucestershire have generated valuable data and case studies showcasing the positive impacts on physical and mental health when play is trusted as a tool for support. This evidence-based approach has strengthened advocacy efforts and garnered support from stakeholders.

Overall, Play Gloucestershire's successes in the financial year 2023-2024 underscore the transformative potential of play in enhancing the well-being and cohesion of communities and the individuals within them. Through our diverse partnerships and innovative initiatives, we will continue to champion the importance of play promoting HAPPY and HEALTHY childhoods for all children and young people across Gloucestershire.

### **Community Play**

Our Play Rangers alongside local children and young people have co-created vibrant community play sessions, encouraging engagement and joy across Gloucestershire, buoyed by several notable successes:

**New Contract with Wotton Under Edge Town Council:** Securing a fresh contract with Wotton Under Edge Town Council demonstrates the trust and value placed in Play Gloucestershire's work. This partnership ensures continued support for community play sessions in Wotton Under Edge, enriching the lives of residents.

**Funding for Kingsway and Multi-Agency Navigational Hub Pilot:** Play Gloucestershire's proactive approach resulted in securing funding for expanded work in Kingsway. Collaborating with the multi-agency navigational hub pilot has amplified the impact of the work, fostering holistic community support and cohesion.

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**Successful Completion of Levelling Up Fund Project in Podsmead:** The seamless conclusion of our Gloucestershire County Council Levelling Up Fund project in Podsmead underscores the hard work the team have put in and the effectiveness of the charity's project management. This achievement sets the stage for ongoing collaborative efforts with Podsmead Big Local and Blackbridge Charitable Community Benefit Society, ensuring sustained community development.

**Winter Support and Summer Celebration:** Throughout the winter months, community play sessions provided a vital source of support for children and young people, offering a safe space and trusted adult presence during life's challenges. As the brighter, warmer months arrived, these sessions blossomed into vibrant gatherings, drawing hundreds of people to enjoy play and community bonding in their local spaces.

In summary, Play Gloucestershire's Play Rangers have not only facilitated engaging play sessions but have also forged strong partnerships, secured funding, and provided essential support to communities year-round.

#### **Work in Schools**

Our work commissioned by schools has continued, notably at Harewood Junior School and The Milestone School, where we've provided invaluable Play Nurture Group sessions to pupils throughout the year.

Play Nurture Groupwork is facilitated by Play Rangers using Therapeutic Playwork skills to assist children and young people. Therapeutic Playwork is fundamentally about creating a space where children can play. This means working to support children to be able to play and letting play do the rest. Such support includes holding the space and holding play frames when they threaten to fall apart, which for some children happens quite often. Therapeutic playwork is grounded in relations of care and trust, which need to be 'good enough' rather than perfect, coping with both failure and anger from which there can be recovery and growth.

Our school work has yielded significant benefits:

**Play Nurture Sessions:** At Harewood Junior School and The Milestone School, Play Gloucestershire has implemented Play Nurture sessions, fostering a nurturing environment where children can thrive emotionally and socially. Through co-created child-led play activities, we've supported the holistic development of pupils, enhancing their well-being and resilience.

**One-on-One Support in Mainstream and Alternative Provision:** providing individualised support has been instrumental in both mainstream and alternative provision settings. By tailoring our approach to meet the specific needs of each pupil, we've provided targeted assistance, fostering confidence, self-esteem, a feeling of safety and positive relationships.

**Success and Impact:** The success of Play Gloucestershire's Play Nurture Group and one-on-one work is evident in the positive outcomes observed in pupils. Whether in mainstream classrooms or alternative provision settings, play has led to enhanced social skills, and a greater sense of belonging and inclusion.

Our multi-agency navigational hub project, described below, also takes place in schools.

#### **Multi-Agency Navigational Hub**

The multi-agency navigational hub project is a pilot exploring a joined-up approach to accessing support for children, young people and their families with mental health, wellbeing & education. We have played a pivotal role in supporting primary school aged children with requests for support. Our involvement in the project encompasses several key components:

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**Triage Meetings and Collaborative Decision-Making:** Play Gloucestershire actively participates in triage meetings alongside partners to assess the needs of children, young people, and families. Through collaborative discussions, the group contribute insights and expertise to determine the most effective interventions and support strategies.

**One-on-One Support and Targeted Play Nurture Group Sessions:** Utilising our Therapeutic Playwork approach, Play Gloucestershire delivers both one-on-one support and targeted group sessions in schools across Gloucester. These sessions provide children and young people with a safe and nurturing environment to explore and address their mental health and well-being needs with play. Offering support that addresses emotional, social, and psychological aspects of well-being. Our Therapeutic Playwork approach emphasises the importance of self-expression, creativity, and positive relationships in promoting resilience and recovery.

Offering a community outlet for these young people has been an unexpected outcome of the pilot project. Many referrals come from an area where we are providing community play sessions and therefore we've been able to invite Play Nurture alumni to Get Out and Play in their community.

In summary, Play Gloucestershire's participation in the multi-agency navigational hub pilot project reflects a commitment to empowering children, young people, and families to navigate mental health challenges. Through collaborative decision-making, targeted interventions, and a holistic approach to support, we continue to play a vital role in promoting well-being and resilience.

#### Training

Our training events have been met with resounding success, showcasing our expertise in promoting play and nurturing environments for children and young people.

**Play Training Events:** Play Gloucestershire's Play Nurture Plus training events have equipped professionals with valuable skills and insights into fostering nurturing environments through play. Participants have reported enhanced understanding and confidence in supporting children's emotional and social development, contributing to positive outcomes in various settings. We were also invited to run an 'Introduction to Play' event on behalf of the Cotswolds Youth Network.

**Commissioned Work for Nursery Staff:** Following the success of this training event, we were commissioned by a nursery boss, seeking to instil the passion for play promoted by our trainer, within her team. This partnership demonstrates the recognition of Play Gloucestershire's expertise and their ability to disseminate effective play-based approaches to early childhood professionals.

**Training for Lunch Time Supervisors in a Cheltenham School:** This year we expanded our impact by providing training for lunchtime supervisors based in a Cheltenham school. By empowering these staff members with skills and strategies for promoting positive play experiences during lunch breaks, they contribute to creating inclusive and supportive school environments.

Training events have proven instrumental in equipping professionals with the tools and knowledge to foster play-based approaches in various contexts. The aim is to customise training to meet the specific needs of different audiences, this highlights our versatility and effectiveness and commitment to promoting the importance of play in child development.

#### Play Statistics

In 2023-24 our Community play sessions delivered 587 hours of play, receiving 5,890 play visits; Play Nurture small group work and 1:1 work delivered 315 hours and 867 play visits; the Play 2 Nurture project delivered 464 hours, with 1,753 play visits. This gives a total of 1,370 hours, receiving 8,717 play visits.

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Some significant projects have been funded during this year:

**Play Nurture Plus**

We've continued our NHS Gloucestershire supported Play Nurture Plus project. The aim of the project is to embed the principles of Play Gloucestershire's award-winning Play Nurture programme in schools using a 'train the trainer' model designed and implemented by Play Gloucestershire. Two schools have benefitted from this project this year.

**HAF**

We continued to contribute to the Government funded Holiday Activity and Food programme, known as HAF. This programme supports children experiencing holiday hunger with positive activities and healthy meals. Our charity has delivered HAF activities during Easter and Summer holidays. We have worked with the district leads in the Cotswolds, and in Gloucester and Stroud worked closely with Gloucestershire Gateway Trust and The Venture, White City.

**Play 2 Nurture**

We are approaching the final few months of our three-year 'Play 2 Nurture' project. Supporting 90+ school-aged children each year, we use the therapeutic power of play to help those facing adversity to build resilience and have better life chances. The project is targeted at children who live or go to school within a mile of The Play Sanctuary in Gloucester (GL1 4DF). We run two after school sessions per week at the Play Sanctuary, plus bi-weekly Saturday sessions for children under 8 years old. This year we have continued to combine this targeted approach with a universal offer providing Tuesday sessions at the local park 'Ayland Gardens' with a dual approach in mind. These universal access sessions continue to allow children and young people to identify their own needs for additional support and refer themselves to our targeted sessions, having built a relationship with the play team who work at the speed of trust.

This year we have sought out new referral streams with statutory partners as well as schools and the wider PG team. Our continued work with evaluator Dr. Wendy Russell has allowed us to trial a number of evaluation techniques and methods, this year we have focused on creative ways to gather data that larger statutory funders will acknowledge.

We have provided 154 sessions and 1,753 play visits involving 162 children.

**Other significant developments:**

Other significant developments this year, demonstrating our commitment to expanding their impact and sustainability have been:

**Continued Support for Children in Care:** Collaborating with The Virtual School, we have its vital work in supporting children and young people in care. Efforts are ongoing to contribute to enhancing the well-being and resilience of this vulnerable group, ensuring they have access to enriching play experiences.

**Transition to Green Vehicles:** We have initiated a transition to a greener fleet by purchasing and leasing zero-emissions vehicles. This environmentally conscious decision reflects our dedication to reducing carbon emissions and promoting sustainability.

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**Expansion of Play Team:** Our play team at Play Gloucestershire is growing, with more members contracted to regular hours. This expansion is with the intent to meet the increasing demand from schools and communities for play opportunities, ensuring that more children have access to the benefits of play.

**Appointment of New Trustee:** We welcomed a new trustee, Kay Lillington, to the charity. The addition of a new trustee brings fresh perspectives and expertise to help steer the charity toward our goals.

**Successful Playful Transitions Project:** We collaborated with Gloucestershire County Council's Early Help team to run a successful Playful Transitions project during the summer holidays. This project supported 10 secondary schools inviting students transitioning from primary to secondary school to attend, easing the process through play-based activities and support.

#### **Beneficiaries of our services**

The main beneficiaries of our services are children, with our core age range being 8 to 14. This includes looked-after children, children dealing with difficulties in their lives which may include domestic abuse, bereavement, difficulties making friendships, as well as those dealing with the usual ups and downs of childhood. We work with children at public green spaces near their homes and focus on areas of urban deprivation or rural isolation. We also work with referred children in schools and also in a SEND provision setting. Further beneficiaries are the children's families and carers, school staff and local communities where we engage with local people to improve provision of safe places to play and to increase use of green spaces.

#### **Financial Review**

Over the last 16 years the Play Gloucestershire team have consistently proved their ability to adapt and change rapidly to evolving circumstances whilst keeping our play mission central to all activity. We have built a low core cost model, with only one member of the team non-child facing, and the whole team led by the Director of Play always placing the needs of the children and communities first, no matter what the circumstances. We have a long and exemplary track record for play delivery, quality, reliability, and value.

There is an increasing demand for our play nurture services as one of the very few providers of support for the mental health of primary school age children. NHS ICB has provided funding to support the expansion of the Play Nurture approach for small groups of referred children in schools, as well as one-on-one sessions; this funding has been grant-based and a further grant of £100k has been applied for. The plan is that this will move to contract-based in future with Play Gloucestershire looking to secure a contract for 5 years, with the option of a further 2 years. The Lottery-funded Play2Nurture project ends in December 2025 and the management team are currently developing a business plan for bringing the staff and work of this project back into the main body of Play Nurture work and expanding future provision.

If successful, statutory funding will provide the largest single source of funding, however, important areas of income diversification remain which include community play (£94.7k this year), play nurture commissioned directly by schools (£13k), and a grant of £20k towards core costs from Gloucestershire Gateway Trust. Development of current staffs' grant-application and fundraising skills is also underway.

#### **Going concern**

Existing Community and school funders have recommissioned for 2024-25 and holiday play sessions are already almost at full capacity. A funding gap of £25k had been identified for the final months of the year due to the end of the Lottery-funded Play 2 Nurture project in December; reserves were put in place to cover this, while further funding for the Multi-Agency Navigational Hub project was sought to allow us to keep the Play 2 Nurture core staff and expand provision by bringing them back in to Play Nurture work. Due to the General Election it was not possible to apply for commission funding but a £100k grant has been applied for to fund work for Jan 2025 onwards and the application is supported by Navigational Hub management.

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The trustees are happy that Play Gloucestershire is a going concern.

**Reserves policy**

The trustees adopt a risk-based approach to reserves policy. A key risk for 2024-25 was the ending of the Lottery funded three year Play 2 Nurture project as we wish to retain the staff currently working on that project (one full-time, one part-time). We have applied for £100k grant to continue Nav Hub work and to integrate Play 2 Nurture staff into this work. We also hope to expand provision, which is likely to involve hiring additional contract staff, therefore a higher level of reserves will need to be held to cover higher outgoings.

A previously identified risk was the failure of our elderly van fleet (bought in 2008/9), this has been partly mitigated this year by leasing an electric car and purchasing a second-hand electric van to replace a diesel one. We plan to replace a second diesel van with an electric van in the near future and are building reserves to cover the purchase and re-brand (est £35k). This leaves us with three remaining diesel vans from the original fleet.

A final risk identified by the trustees is that of large statutory redundancy payments needing to be made in the event of winding the charity up; most contract staff have been with the charity for many years and four are over 41 years old, so in the highest cost bracket. Estimated cost as at June 2024 would be £35k.

Reserves as at 31 March 2024 were as follows:

|                           |               |                              |
|---------------------------|---------------|------------------------------|
|                           | £             | £                            |
| <u>Restricted Funds</u>   |               | 119,023                      |
| <u>Unrestricted Funds</u> |               |                              |
| General Funds             | 227,575       |                              |
| Designated Funds          | <u>49,442</u> |                              |
|                           |               | 277,017                      |
| <b>Total funds</b>        |               | <b><u><u>396,040</u></u></b> |

**Chair's Report**

Reflecting on 2023/24, our charity remains in a healthy financial position. A high demand for our services continues, with the offer of community play, which provides an accessible outlet for children to play and develop socially, physically and emotionally; Play Nurture project in schools which continues to offer valuable support and have a positive impact; as does our Play 2 Nurture project, offering more targeted support.

The Young Volunteer programme continues to offer opportunities for young people, and we have now reached the milestone of having play sessions made up entirely of a team of Play Rangers who have all come through the volunteer programme.

We have purchased 2 electric vehicles, continuing our transition to a greener fleet.

The trustees have been pleased to welcome a new trustee to the board and as always, offer their thanks to the Play Gloucestershire staff, who have worked incredibly hard, during all weathers and stepped up to support and cover for other members of the team when necessary.

**Structure, Governance and Management**

**Governing Document**

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Play Gloucestershire is a charitable company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 25th May 2007, and amended by written resolution on 9 October 2008. The charitable company was registered with the Charity Commission on 4 November 2008. There are currently four members who are Trustees, each of whom agree to contribute a sum not exceeding £10 in the event of the company winding up.

#### **Trustees**

As set out in the Articles of Association, there must be at least three Trustees. The Trustees are those people notified to Companies House as the Directors of Play Gloucestershire.

#### **Methods Used to Recruit and Appoint New Trustees**

If the trustees identify the need for new trustees – due to resignations, or the need for one or more trustees with specific skills – they will agree what skills, experience and knowledge are needed and agree a recruitment process, complying with the charity's governing documents.

#### **Trustee Induction and Training**

Play Gloucestershire have a Trustee induction programme that includes briefings on legal obligations under company and charity law, the contents of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, decision making processes, financial performance and introductions to key employees and other Trustees. Trustees are encouraged to attend appropriate training events to facilitate the undertaking of their role.

#### **Trustees**

The Trustees who held office during the period and up to the date of this report were as follows:

|                 |                      |
|-----------------|----------------------|
| Diane Mautterer |                      |
| Matthew Arthur  |                      |
| Jenni Wilson    |                      |
| Lindsay Chaplin |                      |
| Kay Lillington  | Appointed 03/07/2023 |

#### **Organisation**

The board of Trustees hold teleconference meetings as required and meet each quarter. They have appointed a Chief Executive Officer (known as the 'Director of Play') to manage the day-to-day operations of the charitable company. To facilitate effective operations, the Director of Play has delegated authority, within the terms of delegation approved by the Trustees, for operational matters including finance, employment and all play delivery. The Director of Play during this period was Ben Morris.

#### **Risk management**

The Trustees are developing a risk management strategy which will include an annual review of the risks the charity may face and the establishment of systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identified. It will also include procedures to follow to minimise any potential impact on the charity should those risks materialise.

#### **Remuneration policy for key management personnel**

Any changes to pay and remuneration for key management personnel are proposed with support from an external HR advisor to provide advice and benchmarking where this is possible.

#### **Related parties and relationships with other organisations**

Play Gloucestershire does not have any formal partnerships with other organisations for play delivery but has longstanding informal relationships with many charities and other organisations across the County.

PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE  
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

**Reference and Administrative Details are shown on page one of this report.**

**Statement of trustees' responsibilities**

The trustees (who are also directors of Play Gloucestershire 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 Charities SORP;
- 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. 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.

On behalf of the board of trustees and directors



Diane Mautterer  
Chair of Trustees

Date: 23 / 09 / 2024

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT  
TO THE TRUSTEES OF  
PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2024 set out on pages 12 to 24.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b)) of the Charities Act, and
- to 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 the 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 130 of the Charities Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acthave 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.

*P Morrello*

Patrick Morrello ACA  
Third Sector Accountancy Limited  
Holyoake House  
Hanover Street  
Manchester  
M60 0AS

Date: 23 / 09 / 2024

## PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
(including Income and Expenditure Account)

for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

|                                    |    | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>2024 | Restricted<br>Funds<br>2024 | Total<br>Funds<br>2024 | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>2023 | Restricted<br>Funds<br>2023 | Total<br>Funds<br>2023 |
|------------------------------------|----|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| Notes                              |    | £                             | £                           | £                      | £                             | £                           | £                      |
| <b>Income from:</b>                |    |                               |                             |                        |                               |                             |                        |
| Donations                          | 3  | 4,047                         | 114,822                     | 118,869                | 4,020                         | 260,685                     | 264,705                |
| Charitable Activities              | 4  | 127,866                       | -                           | 127,866                | 80,970                        | 240.00                      | 81,210                 |
| <b>Total</b>                       |    | <u>131,913</u>                | <u>114,822</u>              | <u>246,735</u>         | <u>84,990</u>                 | <u>260,925</u>              | <u>345,915</u>         |
| <b>Expenditure on:</b>             |    |                               |                             |                        |                               |                             |                        |
| <b>Charitable activities</b>       |    |                               |                             |                        |                               |                             |                        |
| Direct costs for play ranger teams | 6  | 67,850                        | 209,316                     | 277,166                | 50,994                        | 160,210                     | 211,204                |
| Support costs                      | 7  | 5,173                         | 38,154                      | 43,327                 | 5,165                         | 39,925                      | 45,090                 |
| Governance costs                   | 8  | 3,193                         | 446                         | 3,639                  | 1,894                         | 512.00                      | 2,406                  |
| <b>Total</b>                       |    | <u>76,216</u>                 | <u>247,916</u>              | <u>324,132</u>         | <u>58,053</u>                 | <u>200,647</u>              | <u>258,700</u>         |
| <b>Net income (expenditure)</b>    | 11 | 55,697                        | (133,094)                   | (77,397)               | 26,937                        | 60,278                      | 87,215                 |
| Transfer between funds             |    | 1,299                         | (1,299)                     | -                      | 138.00                        | - 138.00                    | -                      |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>       |    | <u>56,996</u>                 | <u>(134,393)</u>            | <u>(77,397)</u>        | <u>27,075</u>                 | <u>60,140</u>               | <u>87,215</u>          |
| <b>Reconciliation of funds</b>     |    |                               |                             |                        |                               |                             |                        |
| Total funds brought forward        | 18 | 220,021                       | 253,416                     | 473,437                | 192,946                       | 193,276                     | 386,222                |
| <b>Total funds carried forward</b> | 18 | <u><u>277,017</u></u>         | <u><u>119,023</u></u>       | <u><u>396,040</u></u>  | <u><u>220,021</u></u>         | <u><u>253,416</u></u>       | <u><u>473,437</u></u>  |

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 March 2024

|                                     | Notes | £              | 2024<br>£      | £              | 2023<br>£      |
|-------------------------------------|-------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>FIXED ASSETS</b>                 |       |                |                |                |                |
| Tangible assets                     | 13    |                | 49,442         |                | 36,997         |
| <b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>               |       |                |                |                |                |
| Debtors                             | 14    | 43,593         |                | 135,344        |                |
| Cash at bank                        |       | 317,873        |                | 314,127        |                |
|                                     |       | <u>361,466</u> |                | <u>449,471</u> |                |
| <b>CREDITORS</b>                    |       |                |                |                |                |
| Amounts falling due within one year | 15    | <u>14,868</u>  |                | <u>13,031</u>  |                |
| <b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>           |       |                | 346,598        |                | 436,440        |
| <b>NET ASSETS</b>                   |       |                | <u>396,040</u> |                | <u>473,437</u> |
| <b>RESERVES</b>                     |       |                |                |                |                |
| Restricted Funds                    | 18    |                | 119,023        |                | 253,416        |
| Unrestricted Funds                  | 18    |                |                |                |                |
| General Funds                       |       | 227,575        |                | 142,838        |                |
| Designated Funds                    |       | <u>49,442</u>  |                | <u>77,183</u>  |                |
|                                     |       |                | 277,017        |                | 220,021        |
|                                     | 18    |                | <u>396,040</u> |                | <u>473,437</u> |

The notes on pages 14 to 24 form part of these accounts.

For the year ended 31 March 2024, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

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

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

These accounts were approved by the trustees on 23 / 09 / 2024 and are signed on their behalf by:



Diane Mautterer  
Chair of Trustees

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2024

**1 COMPANY INFORMATION**

The company is limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales; it is also a registered charity (number 1126562) whose activities are intended to be for the public benefit. Its registered office is Unit R7-R9, City Works, Alfred Street, Gloucester, GL1 4DF.

**2 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) issued in October 2019 - Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note.

**Going concern**

After making enquiries, the directors are not aware of any material uncertainties that cast doubt on going concern and they have a reasonable expectation that the company will be able to continue its activities for the foreseeable future, and at least twelve months from the date of approval of these accounts. Accordingly, they have continued to adopt the going concern basis in the financial statements.

More information can be found in the Trustees Report.

**Income from Charitable activities**

Income from services provided were included in incoming resources in the year in which the relevant service takes place.

**Donations**

Income from donations and grants is included in incoming resources when these are receivable.

**Expenditure**

Expenditure is included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of any VAT which cannot be recovered.

Expenditure which is directly attributable to specific activities has been included in these cost categories. Where costs are attributable to more than one activity, they have been apportioned across the cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of these resources.

**Charitable activities**

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

**Support costs**

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include back office costs, finance, personnel, payroll and governance costs which support the charity's programmes and activities.

**Tangible fixed assets**

Fixed assets are capitalised at cost and are depreciated over their estimated useful economic lives on a straight line basis as follows:

|                       |             |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| Computer equipment    | 33% on cost |
| Office equipment      | 25% on cost |
| Motor vehicles        | 25% on cost |
| Property improvements | 25% on cost |

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**Leasing**

Rentals are classed as operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor. These costs are charged to the income and expenditure account as incurred.

**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.

**Pension**

The charity operates a defined contribution stakeholder pension scheme. Contributions are charged in the accounts as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme. All contributions are charged to a main pool, each employee does not have a separate account in their name.

**Fund accounting**

Funds held by the charity are either:

Unrestricted general funds - these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees: or

Designated general funds - these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects that have been set aside by the trustees for a specific purpose: or

Restricted funds - these are funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the Charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for specific activities.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

**3 DONATIONS**

|                    | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2024<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2023<br/>£</b> |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Grants received    | -                                   | 114,822                           | 114,822                     | 260,685                     |
| Donations received | 4,047                               | -                                 | 4,047                       | 4,020                       |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>4,047</b>                        | <b>114,822</b>                    | <b>118,869</b>              | <b>264,705</b>              |
|                    | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2023<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2022<br/>£</b> |
| Grants received    | -                                   | 260,685                           | 260,685                     | 441,590                     |
| Donations received | 4,020                               | -                                 | 4,020                       | 5,048                       |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>4,020</b>                        | <b>260,685</b>                    | <b>264,705</b>              | <b>446,638</b>              |

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**4 INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES**

|                                    | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2024<br/>£</b> |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Play Rangers service delivery fees | 117,641                             | -                                 | 117,641                     |
| Other income                       | 10,225                              | -                                 | 10,225                      |
| Total                              | <u>127,866</u>                      | <u>-</u>                          | <u>127,866</u>              |

|                                    | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2023<br/>£</b> |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Play Rangers service delivery fees | 80,384                              | 240                               | 80,624                      |
| Other income                       | 586                                 | -                                 | 586                         |
| Total                              | <u>80,970</u>                       | <u>240</u>                        | <u>81,210</u>               |

**5 GOVERNMENT GRANTS**

The government grants recognised in the accounts were as follows:

|                                                      | <b>Total<br/>2024<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2023<br/>£</b> |
|------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Erasmus (funding from EU)                            | -                           | 8,353                       |
| National Lottery Community Fund RC South West Region | 89,803                      | 79,998                      |
| Levelling up fund                                    | -                           | 24,521                      |
| NHS ICB Kingsway Continuation Project                | 14,109                      | -                           |
|                                                      | <u>103,912</u>              | <u>116,648</u>              |

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**6 DIRECT COSTS FOR PLAY RANGER TEAMS**

| <b>Current Year</b>      | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2024<br/>£</b> |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Salaries                 | 7,458                               | 169,376                           | 176,834                     |
| Pensions                 | 4,779                               | 5,000                             | 9,779                       |
| Childcare vouchers       | 166                                 | -                                 | 166                         |
| Insurances               | 8,200                               | 3,923                             | 12,123                      |
| Training                 | 1,112                               | 5,384                             | 6,496                       |
| Phones & admin           | 2,285                               | 837                               | 3,122                       |
| Equipment and activities | 22,705                              | 11,543                            | 34,248                      |
| Transport & travel       | 2,607                               | 9,667                             | 12,274                      |
| Publicity                | 260                                 | 3,104                             | 3,364                       |
| DBS checks               | 232                                 | 186                               | 418                         |
| Staff uniform            | 3,189                               | 211                               | 3,400                       |
| ICT website development  | -                                   | 85                                | 85                          |
| Depreciation             | 14,211                              | -                                 | 14,211                      |
| Sundry                   | 646                                 | -                                 | 646                         |
|                          | <u>67,850</u>                       | <u>209,316</u>                    | <u>277,166</u>              |
| <b>Comparative year</b>  | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2023<br/>£</b> |
| Salaries                 | 5,880                               | 140,408                           | 146,288                     |
| Pensions                 | 7,530                               | 70                                | 7,600                       |
| Childcare vouchers       | 157                                 | -                                 | 157                         |
| Insurances               | 1,345                               | 2,846                             | 4,191                       |
| Training                 | 697                                 | 1,266                             | 1,963                       |
| Phones & admin           | 1,456                               | 330                               | 1,786                       |
| Equipment and activities | 7,690                               | 7,700                             | 15,390                      |
| Transport & travel       | 6,992                               | 5,053                             | 12,045                      |
| Publicity                | 280                                 | 1,504                             | 1,784                       |
| DBS checks               | 498                                 | 57                                | 555                         |
| Staff uniform            | 299                                 | 215                               | 514                         |
| ICT                      | 70                                  | -                                 | 70                          |
| Depreciation             | 17,946                              | -                                 | 17,946                      |
| Sundry                   | 154                                 | 761                               | 915                         |
|                          | <u>50,994</u>                       | <u>160,210</u>                    | <u>211,204</u>              |

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**7 SUPPORT COSTS**

| <b>Current Year</b>     | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2024<br/>£</b> |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Rent and rates          | 2,264                               | 4,624                             | 6,888                       |
| Maintenance             | 1,068                               | 1,545                             | 2,613                       |
| Office costs            | 917                                 | 201                               | 1,118                       |
| Information technology  | 448                                 | 517                               | 965                         |
| Bank charges            | 73                                  | 37                                | 110                         |
| Salaries                | 403                                 | 26,020                            | 26,423                      |
| Evaluation              | -                                   | 5,210                             | 5,210                       |
|                         | <u>5,173</u>                        | <u>38,154</u>                     | <u>43,327</u>               |
| <b>Comparative year</b> | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2023<br/>£</b> |
| Rent and rates          | 3,292                               | 3,507                             | 6,799                       |
| Travelling expenses     |                                     | 879                               | 879                         |
| Maintenance             | 313                                 | 863                               | 1,176                       |
| Office costs            | 422                                 | 424                               | 846                         |
| Information technology  | 456                                 | 315                               | 771                         |
| Bank charges            | 82                                  | 32                                | 114                         |
| Gifts                   | 600                                 | -                                 | 600                         |
| Memberships             |                                     | 8                                 | 8                           |
| Salaries                | -                                   | 28,299                            | 28,299                      |
| Evaluation              | -                                   | 5,598                             | 5,598                       |
|                         | <u>5,165</u>                        | <u>39,925</u>                     | <u>45,090</u>               |

**8 GOVERNANCE COSTS**

|                         | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2024<br/>£</b> |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Independent examination | 716                                 | 184                               | 900                         |
| Accountancy             | 588                                 | 262                               | 850                         |
| Professional fees       | 1,889                               | -                                 | 1,889                       |
|                         | <u>3,193</u>                        | <u>446</u>                        | <u>3,639</u>                |
|                         | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2023<br/>£</b> |
| Independent examination | 900                                 | -                                 | 900                         |
| Accountancy             | 742                                 | 508                               | 1,250                       |
| Professional fees       | 252                                 | 4                                 | 256                         |
|                         | <u>1,894</u>                        | <u>512</u>                        | <u>2,406</u>                |

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**9 TRUSTEES REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES, AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

Neither the management committee nor any persons connected with them received any remuneration or reimbursed expenses during the year (2023: Nil).

Aggregate donations from related parties were £nil (2023: £nil).

There are no donations from related parties which are outside the normal course of business and no restricted donations from related parties.

No trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity, including guarantees, during the year (2023: £nil).

**10 STAFF**

No remuneration was paid to the trustees in the year, nor were any expenses reimbursed to them. The staff costs were:

|                       | <b>2024</b>    | 2023           |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|
|                       | £              | £              |
| Wages and salaries    | 194,908        | 168,018        |
| Social security costs | 8,349          | 6,569          |
| Pension costs         | 9,779          | 7,600          |
|                       | <u>213,036</u> | <u>182,187</u> |

| <b>Number of employees</b>                                                          | <b>2024</b> | 2023        |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| The average monthly number of full-time equivalent employees during the period was: |             |             |
| Charitable activities                                                               | 5.62        | 5.16        |
| Administration                                                                      | 0.68        | 0.68        |
| Total                                                                               | <u>6.30</u> | <u>5.84</u> |

The average number of contracted employees during the year was 7.

No employee has employee benefits in excess of £60,000 (2023: Nil).

The key management personnel of the charity comprise the Trustees and the Chief Executive Director of Play. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £40,506 (2022: £37,395).

**11 NET INCOME EXPENDITURE**

This is stated after charging / (crediting):

|                                             | <b>2024</b> | 2023   |
|---------------------------------------------|-------------|--------|
|                                             | £           | £      |
| Depreciation                                | 14,211      | 17,946 |
| Independent examiner's fee                  | 900         | 900    |
| Operating leases - rent                     | 6,888       | 6,799  |
| Loss / (profit) on disposal of fixed assets | (6,250)     | -      |

**12 CORPORATION TAX**

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within Chapter 3 of Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the charity.

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**13 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

|                       | Property<br>improvements | Computer<br>Equipment | Office<br>Equipment | Motor<br>Vehicles | Total          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| <b>COST</b>           | £                        | £                     | £                   | £                 | £              |
| As at 1 April 2023    | 22,943                   | 12,842                | 12,775              | 135,225           | 183,785        |
| Additions             |                          | 1,303                 |                     | 25,353            | 26,656         |
| Disposals             |                          |                       |                     | (20,000)          | (20,000)       |
| As at 31 March 2024   | <u>22,943</u>            | <u>14,145</u>         | <u>12,775</u>       | <u>140,578</u>    | <u>190,441</u> |
| <b>DEPRECIATION</b>   |                          |                       |                     |                   |                |
| As at 1 April 2023    | 20,757                   | 11,684                | 12,668              | 101,679           | 146,788        |
| Charge for the year   | 832                      | 797                   | 30                  | 12,552            | 14,211         |
| Disposal              |                          |                       |                     | (20,000)          | (20,000)       |
| As at 31 March 2024   | <u>21,589</u>            | <u>12,481</u>         | <u>12,698</u>       | <u>94,231</u>     | <u>140,999</u> |
| <b>NET BOOK VALUE</b> |                          |                       |                     |                   |                |
| As at 1 April 2023    | <u>2,186</u>             | <u>1,158</u>          | <u>107</u>          | <u>33,546</u>     | <u>36,997</u>  |
| As at 31 March 2024   | <u>1,354</u>             | <u>1,664</u>          | <u>77</u>           | <u>46,347</u>     | <u>49,442</u>  |

**14 DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

|                | <b>2024</b>   | <b>2023</b>    |
|----------------|---------------|----------------|
|                | £             | £              |
| Trade debtors  | 34,182        | 24,321         |
| Prepayments    | 8,633         | 11,023         |
| Accrued income | 778           | 100,000        |
|                | <u>43,593</u> | <u>135,344</u> |

**15 CREDITORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

|                              | <b>2024</b>   | <b>2023</b>   |
|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
|                              | £             | £             |
| Creditors                    | 2,968         | 2,111         |
| Accruals and deferred income | 7,592         | 7,686         |
| Taxation and social security | 3,010         | 2,346         |
| Other creditors              | 1,298         | 888           |
|                              | <u>14,868</u> | <u>13,031</u> |

**16 DEFERRED INCOME**

|                                 | <b>2024</b>  | <b>2023</b>  |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
|                                 | £            | £            |
| Deferred income brought forward | 5,000        | 4,000        |
| Income received                 | 5,000        | 5,000        |
| Income spent                    | (5,000)      | (4,000)      |
| Deferred income carried forward | <u>5,000</u> | <u>5,000</u> |

This is money paid in advance by the Virtual School to fund emergency play nurture one-to-one interventions, for example if a child is at risk of exclusion.

**17 OTHER COMMITMENTS**

The total of future minimum lease payments under two operating leases, are detailed in the following table:

|               | <b>Land and Buildings</b> |              |
|---------------|---------------------------|--------------|
|               | <b>2024</b>               | <b>2023</b>  |
|               | £                         | £            |
| Within 1 year | <u>1,593</u>              | <u>1,593</u> |

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**18 STATEMENT OF FUNDS**

| Current Year                         | Balance at<br>1 April 2023<br>£ | Incoming<br>Resources<br>£ | Outgoing<br>Resources<br>£ | Transfer<br>£   | Balance at<br>31 March 2024<br>£ |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------------|
| <b><u>Restricted Funds:</u></b>      |                                 |                            |                            |                 |                                  |
| NHS CCG                              | - 1                             | -                          |                            | 1               | -                                |
| Glos CountyCcl Levelling up          | 24,521                          | -                          | (23,909)                   |                 | 612                              |
| Gloucestershire Gateway Trust        | 9,999                           | 10,000                     | (19,999)                   | -               | -                                |
| Kickstart grant                      | 144                             | -                          | (66)                       | -               | 78                               |
| Cotswold Youth Network               | -                               | 910                        | (910)                      | -               | -                                |
| NHS ICB Kingsway Continuation Projec | -                               | 14,109                     |                            | -               | 14,109                           |
| Youth Investment Fund                | - 4                             | -                          |                            | 4               | -                                |
| National Lottery Community Fund SW F | 25,325                          | 89,803                     | (90,192)                   |                 | 24,936                           |
| Gloucestershire Community Foundator  | 1,595                           | -                          | (744)                      | -               | 851                              |
| Erasmus                              | 9,440                           | -                          | (9,440)                    |                 | -                                |
| GoC Ruspidge                         | 1                               | -                          |                            | - 1             | -                                |
| Thriving Communities Grant           | 5,876                           | -                          |                            | -               | 5,876                            |
| NHS ICB Play Nurture                 | 100,000                         | -                          | (41,618)                   | (1,303)         | 57,079                           |
| Active Gloucestershire               | 5,952                           | -                          | (5,952)                    | -               | -                                |
| NHS CCG Kingsway project             | 38,069                          | -                          | (34,610)                   | -               | 3,459                            |
| NHS CCG Schools project              | 32,499                          | -                          | (20,476)                   | -               | 12,023                           |
|                                      | <u>253,416</u>                  | <u>114,822</u>             | <u>(247,916)</u>           | <u>(1,299)</u>  | <u>119,023</u>                   |
| <b><u>Unrestricted Funds:</u></b>    |                                 |                            |                            |                 |                                  |
| <b><u>Designated Funds:</u></b>      |                                 |                            |                            |                 |                                  |
| Vehicle Fund                         | 20,000                          | -                          | -                          | (20,000)        | -                                |
| Play Equipment Fund                  | 10,325                          | -                          | -                          | (10,325)        | -                                |
| Uniforms Fund                        | 5,000                           | -                          | -                          | (5,000)         | -                                |
| Office Equipment Fund                | 5,000                           | -                          | -                          | (5,000)         | -                                |
| Fixed Asset Reserves Fund            | 36,858                          | -                          | -                          | 12,584          | 49,442                           |
|                                      | <u>77,183</u>                   | <u>-</u>                   | <u>-</u>                   | <u>(27,741)</u> | <u>49,442</u>                    |
| General Fund                         | 142,838                         | 131,913                    | (76,216)                   | 29,040          | 227,575                          |
| <b>Unrestricted Funds</b>            | <u>220,021</u>                  | <u>131,913</u>             | <u>(76,216)</u>            | <u>1,299</u>    | <u>277,017</u>                   |
| <b>Total Funds</b>                   | <u>473,437</u>                  | <u>246,735</u>             | <u>(324,132)</u>           | <u>-</u>        | <u>396,040</u>                   |

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| Comparative Year                      | Balance at<br>1 April 2022<br>£ | Incoming<br>Resources<br>£ | Outgoing<br>Resources<br>£ | Transfer<br>£ | Balance at<br>31 March 2023<br>£ |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|
| <b>Restricted Funds:</b>              |                                 |                            |                            |               |                                  |
| NHS CCG                               | 427                             | -                          | (428)                      | -             | 1                                |
| Glos County Ccl Covid Prevention Fund | -                               | 24,521                     | -                          | -             | 24,521                           |
| Gloucestershire Gateway Trust         | 8,161                           | 30,000                     | (28,162)                   | -             | 9,999                            |
| Kickstart grant                       | 259                             | -                          | (115)                      | -             | 144                              |
| Podsmead Big Local                    | -                               | 7,551                      | (7,551)                    | -             | -                                |
| Youth Investment Fund                 | -                               | -                          | -                          | -             | -                                |
| National Lottery Community Fund SW F  | 26,055                          | 79,998                     | (80,590)                   | 138           | 25,325                           |
| Gloucestershire Community Foundation  | 1,595                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 1,595                            |
| Erasmus                               | 4,813                           | 8,353                      | (3,726)                    | -             | 9,440                            |
| GoC Coney Hill                        | 1,565                           | -                          | (1,565)                    | -             | -                                |
| GoC Ruspidge                          | 3,135                           | -                          | (3,134)                    | -             | 1                                |
| Glos County C HAF Grant               | 1,374                           | 3,776                      | (5,150)                    | -             | -                                |
| Glos County Early Help Commissioning  | -                               | 240                        | (240)                      | -             | -                                |
| Avening Cof E Education Fund          | -                               | 534                        | (534)                      | -             | -                                |
| Thriving Communities Grant            | 5,876                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 5,876                            |
| NHS ICB Play Nurture                  | -                               | 100,000                    | -                          | -             | 100,000                          |
| Active Gloucestershire                | -                               | 5,952                      | -                          | -             | 5,952                            |
| Together in Matson                    | 20                              | -                          | (20)                       | -             | -                                |
| NHS CCG Kingsway project              | 75,000                          | -                          | (36,931)                   | -             | 38,069                           |
| NHS CCG Schools project               | 65,000                          | -                          | (32,501)                   | -             | 32,499                           |
|                                       | 193,276                         | 260,925                    | 200,647                    | 138           | 253,416                          |
| <b>Unrestricted Funds:</b>            |                                 |                            |                            |               |                                  |
| <b>Designated Funds:</b>              |                                 |                            |                            |               |                                  |
| Vehicle Fund                          | 20,000                          | -                          | -                          | -             | 20,000                           |
| Play equipment Fund                   | 10,325                          | -                          | -                          | -             | 10,325                           |
| Uniforms Fund                         | 5,000                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 5,000                            |
| Office Equipment Fund                 | 5,000                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 5,000                            |
| Fixed Asset Reserves Fund             | 54,804                          | -                          | -                          | 17,946        | 36,858                           |
|                                       | 95,129                          | -                          | -                          | 17,946        | 77,183                           |
| General Fund                          | 97,817                          | 84,990                     | (58,053)                   | 18,084        | 142,838                          |
| <b>Unrestricted Funds</b>             | 192,946                         | 84,990                     | (58,053)                   | 138           | 220,021                          |
| <b>Total Funds</b>                    | 386,222                         | 345,915                    | (258,700)                  | -             | 473,437                          |

**Restricted Funds:****NHS CCG**

Grant to fund 12 month Play Nurture Plus project in 2021-2 to bring play nurture to more schools across Gloucester to help support children post-Covid.

**Glos County Ccl Levelling up**

Grant to provide holiday playdays in Ruspidge during 2023-4 and year round after school and holiday play in Podsmead during 2023-4.

**Gloucestershire Gateway Trust**

Funds core costs.

**Kickstart**

Grant to cover costs of employing and training a new member of staff on 28 hrs/week. Remaining funds to be used for training and equipment for recruited staff member.

**Cotswold Youth Network**

Grant for inclusion training and participation in project recording feedback from children.

**NHS ICB Kingsway Continuation project**

Grant to fund year round after-school and holiday play in Kingsway to support nurture work in local schools and referrals from local GP practice.

**Podsmead Big Local**

Grant funding for play sessions in Podsmead, Gloucester.

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|                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|----------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>National Lottery Community Fund South West Region</b> | Grant funding a three-year project offering regular, targeted Play Nurture support to children within 1 mile of the Play Sanctuary.                                                                                           |
| <b>Gloucestershire Community Fdn</b>                     | Grant to supply and fit heat pump to the Play Sanctuary, plus other improvements.                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Erasmus</b>                                           | PG is participant in PAClife project using volunteering to help young people overcome adverse circumstances. Project now ended.                                                                                               |
| <b>GoC Coney Hill</b>                                    | Growing our Communities Fund for Coney Hill; all sessions delayed by Covid now delivered                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>GoC Ruspidge</b>                                      | Growing our Communities Fund for Ruspidge; all sessions delayed by Covid now delivered.                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>County Ccl HAF Grant</b>                              | Grant to provide active play sessions with a hot meal for children during Easter and Summer school holidays.                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Glos County Ccl Early Help</b>                        | Grant to run Transitions camps in the Summer holidays for children needing more support changing from primary to secondary school.                                                                                            |
| <b>Avening CofE Education Fund</b>                       | Grant to run a Summer playday.                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Thriving Communities Grant</b>                        | Project to support local communities to set up their own play sessions. Paused due to Covid.                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>NHS ICB Play Nurture</b>                              | Grant to support small group and one to one Play Nurture delivery as part of the Multi-Agency Navigational Hub trial; grant is also to support expansion of PG to recruit new staff and lease transport to increase services. |
| <b>Active Gloucestershire</b>                            | Grant to run Stay & Play sessions 2023-24                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Together In Matson</b>                                | Funding for large flasks and for soup and rolls for holiday play sessions.                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>NHS CCG Kingsway Project</b>                          | Grant for 2 year project to run after-school play sessions, school Play Nurture sessions and holiday play sessions across Kingsway, Gloucester.                                                                               |
| <b>NHS CCG Play Nurture Plus Project</b>                 | Grant for 2 year project to help schools develop and run their own Play Nurture sessions, train Play Champions in schools and promote the benefits of child-led play                                                          |
| <b><u>General fund</u> -</b>                             | Unrestricted reserves.                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| <b><u>Designated Funds:</u></b>                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Vehicle Fund -</b>                                    | The vehicle fund is for the repair and maintenance of motor vehicles held and a replacement scheme. Funds undesignated in 2023-24.                                                                                            |
| <b>Equipment Funds -</b>                                 | The equipment funds are for the replacement of office and play equipment held. Funds undesignated in 2023-24.                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Uniform Fund -</b>                                    | To provide for uniforms. Funds undesignated in 2023-24.                                                                                                                                                                       |
| <b>Fixed Asset Reserves Fund -</b>                       | Designated fund for the net book value of fixed assets, representing funds not freely available to be spent on the operating costs of the charity.                                                                            |

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**19 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS**

|                                                    | <b>General<br/>Fund</b> | <b>Designated<br/>Funds</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds</b> | <b>2024<br/>Total</b> |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
|                                                    | <b>£</b>                | <b>£</b>                    | <b>£</b>                    | <b>£</b>              |
| Fund balances at 31 March 2024 are represented by: |                         |                             |                             |                       |
| Tangible fixed assets                              | -                       | 49,442                      | -                           | 49,442                |
| Current assets                                     | 242,443                 | -                           | 119,023                     | 361,466               |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year     | (14,868)                | -                           | -                           | (14,868)              |
| <b>Total</b>                                       | <b>227,575</b>          | <b>49,442</b>               | <b>119,023</b>              | <b>396,040</b>        |
|                                                    |                         |                             |                             |                       |
|                                                    | <b>General<br/>Fund</b> | <b>Designated<br/>Funds</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds</b> | <b>2023<br/>Total</b> |
|                                                    | <b>£</b>                | <b>£</b>                    | <b>£</b>                    | <b>£</b>              |
| Fund balances at 31 March 2023 are represented by: |                         |                             |                             |                       |
| Tangible fixed assets                              | 0                       | 36,997                      | 0                           | 36,997                |
| Current assets                                     | 155,869                 | 40,186                      | 253,416                     | 449,471               |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year     | (13,031)                | -                           | -                           | -13,031               |
| <b>Total</b>                                       | <b>142,838</b>          | <b>77,183</b>               | <b>253,416</b>              | <b>473,437</b>        |

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# Accounts

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**PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE**

**COMPANY NUMBER 6260058**

**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1126562**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

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COMPANY INFORMATION

for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

**Trustees & directors:**

|                 |                                    |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| Diane Mautterer |                                    |
| Matthew Arthur  |                                    |
| Jenni Wilson    |                                    |
| Chloe Booth     | Resigned 16/5/22                   |
| Lindsay Chaplin | Appointed 17/8/22                  |
| Hilary Smith    | Appointed 20/2/23 Resigned 29/3/23 |
| Kay Lillington  | Appointed 3/7/23                   |

**Key management personnel:** Ben Morris

**Secretary:** Helen Logan

**Registered office:** Unit R7-R9  
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**Company number:** 06260058

**Charity number:** 1126562

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PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE  
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

The Trustees (who are also directors for the purposes of company law) present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023. Included within the trustees' report is the directors' report as required by company law.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 2 to the accounts and comply with the Charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, in accordance with Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities SORP (FRS102) and the Companies Act 2006.

**Objectives and Activities**

The objects of the charity are:

To advance in life and help young people up to the age of 19 through:

(a) The provision of recreational and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare, designed to improve their conditions of life.

(b) Providing support and activities which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals.

The charity has a shared vision of happy and healthy childhoods full of outdoor play. Play Gloucestershire is a charity which believes that playing outdoors is an essential part of a happy, healthy childhood, and at the heart of a nurturing community. We provide fun, adventurous and inclusive opportunities for local outdoor play, to transform children's lives and help them build active, positive futures.

The main areas of activity used to achieve these objectives are:

- Providing free open access play opportunities for all in parks and public open spaces (Community Play Rangers)
- Providing volunteering and playwork opportunities for young people, through our Young Volunteer scheme. We also provide volunteering opportunities for young people taking their Duke of Edinburgh Award and provide a small number of work experience placements to children we work with and to older students.
- Encouraging children and families to be active by offering ideas for active games and activities at play sessions; encouraging healthy eating by offering healthy snacks and meals and encouraging children to get involved in preparing food.
- Providing child-led outdoor play either in small groups or one-to-one for therapeutic benefit (Play Nurture)
- Promoting children's play to funders, schools, communities and working to develop playful communities across the County (play advocacy)

To assess outcomes, the charity keeps records of attendance at play sessions which are reported back to funders. Case studies, quotes and feedback from families, teachers and others are also recorded to assess impact. The charity has conducted user surveys and commissioned external evaluation reports in previous years and the current Play 2 Nurture project includes a full evaluation process, which will provide good practice for the future.

The charity does not make use of social investment and does not make grants.

Play Gloucestershire had 8 adult general volunteers, 5 who helped out at play sessions on an occasional basis during 2022-23; they are always in addition to paid staff and are there to provide extra support with activities and act as role models. The other 3 helped paint and decorate the Sanctuary. There is also a very successful Young Volunteers programme, with 43 volunteers aged 10 - 18. They help run activities, tidy up, provide positive role models and we provide training and mentoring for them.

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### REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

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

#### **Achievements and Performance**

Through our various play initiatives, we aim to improve the well-being of children and families by fostering a sense of community, building relationships, and promoting positive mental health. The charity's main activities and who it tries to help are described below. All its charitable activities focus on outdoor child-led play and are undertaken to further Play Gloucestershire's charitable purposes for the public benefit.

The headline leading this trustees report is that the charity has and continues to benefit from strong, trusting partnerships with commissioners. These can be at a hyper local level such as a parish council or community group who invest in play for their community: the majority of these continued to fund the charity during the covid stand down periods, aware they would need our unique offer of outdoor play and community development when the restrictions were lifted. We also are working closer with commissioners who have a broader landscape in terms of outcomes they are trying to achieve, such as The National Lottery Community Fund and includes NHS Gloucestershire, with whom we have forged a stronger relationship as they continue to fund our Play Nurture Plus work in schools and community development in Kingsway. There has been further NHS funding towards our therapeutic play for a county wide offer targeting individual children and young people. This dual aspect approach means the charity has a strong financial outlook where we can offer play on a universal basis, but also an individual one. Where the two combine in terms of universal and targeted provision happening in the same location, we are witnessing huge physical and psychological benefits for the children and young people involved.

#### **Community Play**

The community play offer is a vital aspect of Play Gloucestershire's mission to provide opportunities for children and young people to play freely and develop their social, emotional, and physical skills. The community play offer includes both after school and holiday play sessions in local parks. These play opportunities are accessible to all children, regardless of their background or ability, and are designed to be inclusive, safe, and fun. We work closely with children, young people, local schools, community groups, and families to identify the needs of children in the area and tailor our play offer accordingly.

Our community play offer has been more important than ever. With the COVID-19 pandemic causing disruption to education and social interactions, our play sessions have provided a much-needed outlet for children to play and connect with others. We have made good on the investment made in us by community partners during lockdown by seamlessly returning to existing sites, and we have also taken on more community work with new partners.

#### **Work in Schools**

We have continued to run Play Nurture sessions at Harewood Junior School and at The Milestone School (SEND provision setting). We have also provided one-to-one sessions with two children. One is in a Pupil Referral Unit; they identified a need for his day to start positively and now use this time with a Play Ranger to set him up for a good day. An unexpected outcome of our Play Nurture Plus work has been several of our partner schools have witnessed the positive impact of our Play Rangers and the relationships forged with children and young people through play. This has led a number to enquire about one-on-one work with some of their most vulnerable pupils. In one case, the school wanted us to work with a pupil who had not returned to fulltime education, using playwork to build his confidence with the aim of moving sessions from home to school, adding this to his part-time timetable.

Our Play Nurture Plus project, described below, also takes place in schools.

#### **Play Statistics**

The statistics show we have provided 50 holiday play days, 68 school sessions, 167 play nurture sessions, 186 after school sessions, 2 events and 15 one-to-one sessions. This totals more than 846 hours of outdoor play, receiving 7672 play visits from children.

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

Some significant projects have been funded during this year:

#### **Play Nurture Plus**

The original Play Nurture Plus pilot was a success and an extension to the joint project between Play Gloucestershire, and NHS Gloucestershire's Integrated Care Board was commissioned. The aim of the project was to extend the reach of the original project outcomes: to embed the principles of Play Gloucestershire's award-winning Play Nurture programme in schools using a 'train the trainer' model designed and implemented by Play Gloucestershire. This year we have worked with 4 partner schools and supported pupils to:

- Build resilience
- Increase physical activity
- Improve relationships
- Develop imagination and creativity
- Promote learning
- Encourage mindfulness

There are faculty members spread across partner schools that have benefitted from the 'train the trainer' model and on the job experience of how Play Nurture sessions work. With the skills, techniques and experience gained in the 8-week PNG programme Play Champions have used the principles and developed their own version of Play Nurture with support from our Play Rangers providing regular check-ins, WhatsApp/online support groups, and reflective practice. We have left a Play Nurture legacy with schools prepared to use play and its benefits to support staff and pupils.

#### **HAF**

We continued to contribute to the Government funded Holiday Activity and Food programme, known as HAF. This programme supports children experiencing holiday hunger with positive activities and healthy meals. Our charity has delivered HAF activities during Easter and Summer holidays, as well as a place on the project steering group and sub-committee looking at how to engage and encourage teenagers to take part in the programme. We have worked with the district leads in the Cotswolds, the Forest of Dean and in Gloucester closely with Gloucestershire Gateway Trust and The Venture, White City.

#### **Play 2 Nurture**

We are approaching the halfway mark of our three-year 'Play 2 Nurture' project. Supporting 90+ school-aged children each year, we use the therapeutic power of play to help those facing adversity to build resilience and have better life chances. The project is targeted at children who live or go to school within a mile of The Play Sanctuary in Gloucester (GL1 4DF). This year we have combined this targeted approach with a universal offer taking our Tuesday sessions to the local open space at Ayland Gardens with a dual approach in mind. Firstly, it has allowed us to offer a safe space for those that have worked with us in The Play Sanctuary to play in their community, making new friends and experiencing their local play space potentially for the first time. Conversely the universal access sessions in the community have allowed children and young people to identify their own needs for additional support and refer themselves to our targeted sessions, having built a relationship with the play team who work at the speed of trust.

We have provided 167 sessions and 1373 play visits involving 108 children.

#### **Other significant developments:**

We achieved significant investment in community play utilising Gloucestershire County Council's Levelling Up Together funding, supporting the annual service costs in Podsmead, Gloucester extending that project by at least another year. We are bringing holiday play days back to Ruspidge in the Forest of Dean, and returning to Kingsholm in Gloucester after an 8-year play hiatus.

Further funding has been provided from The Virtual School to provide a mixed portfolio of training and play interventions for children in care and their foster families. We will be looking at providing a summer celebration event in 2024 inviting all The Virtual School families to enjoy a day of play together.

A milestone moment for Play Gloucestershire came in October half term as for the first time we had a team made up of Play Rangers that had all come through our Young Volunteer programme.

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Partnership work with Bourton on the Water parish council and their Community Warden has led to local cafes donating unsold food to our team on a Wednesday to serve up to the children on site. The sheer amount given to us has resulted in food packages going home as well as filling bellies on site.

In the Autumn, the Trustees made the decision to support staff with the impact of the cost of living crisis by providing Winter Fuel/Cost of Living payments/vouchers to the team, which were gratefully received with much thanks eg; "This is so amazingly kind of you all and the gesture has blown me away after a few difficult weeks it's so lovely to see kindness first hand so thank you from the bottom of my heart"

#### **Beneficiaries of our services**

The main beneficiaries of our services are children, with our core age range being 7 to 14. This includes looked-after children, children dealing with difficulties in their lives which may include domestic abuse, bereavement, difficulties making friendships, as well as those dealing with the usual ups and downs of childhood. We work with children at public green spaces near their homes and focus on areas of urban deprivation or rural isolation. We also work with referred children in schools and also in a SEND provision setting. Further beneficiaries are the children's families and carers, school staff and local communities where we engage with local people to improve provision of safe places to play and to increase use of green spaces.

#### **Financial Review**

Over the last 15 years the Play Gloucestershire team have consistently proved their ability to adapt and change rapidly to evolving circumstances whilst keeping our play mission central to all activity. We have built a low core cost model, with only one member of the team non-child facing, and the whole team led by the Play Director always placing the needs of the children and communities first, no matter what the circumstances. We have a long and exemplary track record for play delivery, quality, reliability and value.

There is an increasing demand for our services as the ongoing recovery from the pandemic highlights the mental health needs of young people, both in school and in their communities. Demand is met through commissioning and grants with several large-scale projects this year. Projects such as our partnership work with NHS Clinical Commissioning Group CCG/ICB on a continuation of our 'Play Nurture Plus' programme in schools across the county as well as offering Play Nurture in schools and community play in an area they have targeted as in need of health and welfare interventions, Kingsway in Gloucester. Our lottery funded project 'Play 2 Nurture' is approaching the halfway stage and the interim report highlights this approach is working and by creating a 'hub of happiness' at The Play Sanctuary we are supporting vulnerable children and families. Gloucestershire County Council's Early Help Team have also re-commissioned our 'Playful Transitions' approach – giving support to children in transition to secondary school.

Community play continues to be invested in by active community partners, and this includes new partners for this year such as Wotton-Under-Edge Town Council who have utilised their own youth programme funding as well as the Office of the Police Crime Commissioner to fund play for the whole community. We have a full programme of after school delivery and there is a strong demand for community play during the holidays.

Play Gloucestershire ended the financial year with very strong reserves having received more income than expected due to more investment from the ICB, success in funding applications for match funding and holiday provision in addition to the support from the Gloucestershire Gateway Trust.

However, increasingly challenging economic circumstances for the whole country mean that costs are rising steeply, so we may need to call on reserves. Our fleet of five vans is also now 15 years old and starting to show signs of wear and tear; we will need to hold reserves in case we have to replace or lease one or more vans in order to keep delivering play sessions. As a mobile service, we are dependent upon our vans to deliver play. All that being said, we are as well placed as we can be to ensure that we keep supporting children through the years ahead.

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### Going concern

We have been successful in moving towards a model of '50:50' Community Play: Play Nurture as identified in our strategic plan called 'More Play Please' and this brings our finances to a sustainable position. We had identified that after-school and holiday provision was not sufficient to fund the charity's expenses and we also wanted to do more therapeutic Play Nurture work to support children. The Play Nurture projects we have developed have allowed us to fulfil our charitable objectives and also place the charity's finances on a more sustainable basis. The trustees are happy that Play Gloucestershire is a going concern.

### Plans for the future

We are continuing to follow our strategic plan 'More Play Please' as mentioned above by continuing to provide a mixture of free to use open-access Community Play and targeted therapeutic play nurture sessions. We plan to increase provision by recruiting and training new site leaders who can lead sessions in both types of work. We successfully recruited one person in June 2022 and have just recruited another in May 2023.

### Reserves policy

The policy of the charity is to maintain adequate general reserves at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure (£69,000 - £138,000). The trustees consider that general reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the Charity's activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised.

Free reserves are currently higher than this level at £142,838. Designated funds are £77,183 and include £33,546 remaining from a grant for an electric vehicle (which has been purchased) and will be depreciated over the next four years, so is not available for general expenditure. As explained above, uncertain economic circumstances and the increasingly likely need to replace or lease new vans means that this surplus may well be called on in the near future in order to allow the charity to keep delivering for its beneficiaries. If circumstances change (eg we find grant funding for new vans, or costs stop increasing so sharply) the trustees will look to reduce reserves to the usual level.

Reserves as at 31 March 2023 were as follows:

|                           | £             | £                            |
|---------------------------|---------------|------------------------------|
| <u>Restricted Funds</u>   |               | 253,416                      |
| <u>Unrestricted Funds</u> |               |                              |
| General Funds             | 142,838       |                              |
| Designated Funds          | <u>77,183</u> |                              |
|                           |               | 220,021                      |
| <b>Total funds</b>        |               | <b><u><u>473,437</u></u></b> |

### Chair's Report

Reflecting on 2022/23, our charity continues to operate in a healthy financial position. The demand for our services has increased, particularly in light of the pandemic and the impact that has had on the mental health of young people. The return to community play has been particularly valued after the disruptions of covid and provides an accessible outlet for children to play and develop socially, physically and emotionally.

Our Play Nurture project in schools continues to offer valuable support and have a positive impact; as does our Play 2 Nurture project, which offers targeted support to build resilience and better life chance in young people.

The trustees have been pleased to welcome two new members to the board of trustees and have been delighted to see the progress Ben Morris has made during the first year in his role as Director of Play.

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**Structure, Governance and Management**

**Governing Document**

Play Gloucestershire is a charitable company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 25th May 2007, and amended by written resolution on 9 October 2008. The charitable company was registered with the Charity Commission on 4 November 2008. There are currently four members who are Trustees, each of whom agree to contribute a sum not exceeding £10 in the event of the company winding up.

**Trustees**

As set out in the Articles of Association, there must be at least three Trustees. The Trustees are those people notified to Companies House as the Directors of Play Gloucestershire.

**Methods Used to Recruit and Appoint New Trustees**

If the trustees identify the need for new trustees – due to resignations, or the need for one or more trustees with specific skills – they will agree what skills, experience and knowledge are needed and agree a recruitment process, complying with the charity's governing documents.

**Trustee Induction and Training**

Play Gloucestershire have a Trustee induction programme that includes briefings on legal obligations under company and charity law, the contents of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, decision making processes, financial performance and introductions to key employees and other Trustees. Trustees are encouraged to attend appropriate training events to facilitate the undertaking of their role.

**Trustees**

The Trustees who held office during the period and up to the date of this report were as follows:

|                 |                                          |
|-----------------|------------------------------------------|
| Diane Mautterer |                                          |
| Matthew Arthur  |                                          |
| Jenni Wilson    |                                          |
| Chloe Booth     | Resigned 16/05/2022                      |
| Lindsay Chaplin | Appointed 17/08/2022                     |
| Hilary Smith    | Appointed 20/02/2023 Resigned 29/03/2023 |
| Kay Lillington  | Appointed 03/07/2023                     |

**Organisation**

The board of Trustees hold teleconference meetings as required and meet each quarter. They have appointed a Chief Executive Officer (known as the 'Director of Play') to manage the day-to-day operations of the charitable company. To facilitate effective operations, the Director of Play has delegated authority, within the terms of delegation approved by the Trustees, for operational matters including finance, employment and all play delivery. The Director of Play during this period was Ben Morris.

**Risk management**

The Trustees are developing a risk management strategy which will include an annual review of the risks the charity may face and the establishment of systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identified. It will also include procedures to follow to minimise any potential impact on the charity should those risks materialise.

**Remuneration policy for key management personnel**

Any changes to pay and remuneration for key management personnel are proposed with support from an external HR advisor to provide advice and benchmarking where this is possible. The recent restructure used this process.

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**Related parties and relationships with other organisations**

Play Gloucestershire does not have any formal partnerships with other organisations for play delivery but has worked with the Nelson Trust and The Long Table to provide food for HAF sessions. We have longstanding informal relationships with many charities and other organisations across the County.

Reference and Administrative Details are shown on page one of this report.

**Statement of trustees' responsibilities**

The trustees (who are also directors of Play Gloucestershire 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 Charities SORP;
- 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. 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.

On behalf of the board of trustees and directors



Diane Mautterer  
Chair of Trustees

Date: 08 / 11 / 2023

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT  
TO THE TRUSTEES OF  
PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2023 set out on pages 10 to 22.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities 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 ICAEW.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b)) of the Charities Act, and
- to 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 the 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 130 of the Charities Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acthave 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.



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Date: 09 / 11 / 2023

## PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
(including Income and Expenditure Account)

for the Year Ended 31 March 2023

|                                    |    | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>2023 | Restricted<br>Funds<br>2023 | Total<br>Funds<br>2023 | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>2022 | Restricted<br>Funds<br>2022 | Total<br>Funds<br>2022 |
|------------------------------------|----|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| Notes                              |    | £                             | £                           | £                      | £                             | £                           | £                      |
| <b>Income from:</b>                |    |                               |                             |                        |                               |                             |                        |
| Donations                          | 3  | 4,020                         | 260,685                     | 264,705                | 6,804                         | 439,834                     | 446,638                |
| Charitable Activities              | 4  | 80,970                        | 240                         | 81,210                 | 67,768                        | -                           | 67,768                 |
| <b>Total</b>                       |    | <u>84,990</u>                 | <u>260,925</u>              | <u>345,915</u>         | <u>74,572</u>                 | <u>439,834</u>              | <u>514,406</u>         |
| <b>Expenditure on:</b>             |    |                               |                             |                        |                               |                             |                        |
| <b>Charitable activities</b>       |    |                               |                             |                        |                               |                             |                        |
| Direct costs for play ranger teams | 6  | 50,994                        | 160,210                     | 211,204                | 26,418                        | 207,827                     | 234,245                |
| Support costs                      | 7  | 5,165                         | 39,925                      | 45,090                 | 2,070                         | 27,371                      | 29,441                 |
| Governance costs                   | 8  | 1,894                         | 512                         | 2,406                  | 1,720                         | -                           | 1,720                  |
| <b>Total</b>                       |    | <u>58,053</u>                 | <u>200,647</u>              | <u>258,700</u>         | <u>30,208</u>                 | <u>235,198</u>              | <u>265,406</u>         |
| <b>Net income (expenditure)</b>    | 11 | 26,937                        | 60,278                      | 87,215                 | 44,364                        | 204,636                     | 249,000                |
| Transfer between funds             |    | 138                           | (138)                       | -                      | 49,601.00                     | - 49,601.00                 | -                      |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>       |    | <u>27,075</u>                 | <u>60,140</u>               | <u>87,215</u>          | <u>93,965</u>                 | <u>155,035</u>              | <u>249,000</u>         |
| <b>Reconciliation of funds</b>     |    |                               |                             |                        |                               |                             |                        |
| Total funds brought forward        | 18 | 192,946                       | 193,276                     | 386,222                | 98,981                        | 38,241                      | 137,222                |
| <b>Total funds carried forward</b> | 18 | <u><u>220,021</u></u>         | <u><u>253,416</u></u>       | <u><u>473,437</u></u>  | <u><u>192,946</u></u>         | <u><u>193,276</u></u>       | <u><u>386,222</u></u>  |

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Company number 6260058

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 March 2023

|                                     | Notes | £              | 2023<br>£      | £              | 2022<br>£      |
|-------------------------------------|-------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>FIXED ASSETS</b>                 |       |                |                |                |                |
| Tangible assets                     | 13    |                | 36,997         |                | 54,804         |
| <b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>               |       |                |                |                |                |
| Debtors                             | 14    | 135,344        |                | 162,684        |                |
| Cash at bank                        |       | <u>314,127</u> |                | <u>182,465</u> |                |
|                                     |       | 449,471        |                | 345,149        |                |
| <b>CREDITORS</b>                    |       |                |                |                |                |
| Amounts falling due within one year | 15    | <u>13,031</u>  |                | <u>13,731</u>  |                |
| <b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>           |       |                | 436,440        |                | 331,418        |
| <b>NET ASSETS</b>                   |       |                | <u>473,437</u> |                | <u>386,222</u> |
| <b>RESERVES</b>                     |       |                |                |                |                |
| Restricted Funds                    | 18    |                | 253,416        |                | 193,276        |
| Unrestricted Funds                  | 18    |                |                |                |                |
| General Funds                       |       | 142,838        |                | 97,817         |                |
| Designated Funds                    |       | <u>77,183</u>  |                | <u>95,129</u>  |                |
|                                     |       |                | 220,021        |                | 192,946        |
|                                     | 18    |                | <u>473,437</u> |                | <u>386,222</u> |

The notes on pages 12 to 22 form part of these accounts.

For the year ended 31 March 2023, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

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

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

These accounts were approved by the trustees on 08 / 11 / 2023 and are signed on their behalf by:



Diane Mautterer  
Chair of Trustees

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**1 COMPANY INFORMATION**

The company is limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales; it is also a registered charity (number 1126562) whose activities are intended to be for the public benefit. Its registered office is Unit R7-R9, City Works, Alfred Street, Gloucester, GL1 4DF.

**2 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) issued in October 2019 - Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note.

**Going concern**

After making enquiries, the directors are not aware of any material uncertainties that cast doubt on going concern and they have a reasonable expectation that the company will be able to continue its activities for the foreseeable future, and at least twelve months from the date of approval of these accounts. Accordingly, they have continued to adopt the going concern basis in the financial statements.

More information can be found in the Trustees Report.

**Income from Charitable activities**

Income from services provided were included in incoming resources in the year in which the relevant service takes place.

**Donations**

Income from donations and grants is included in incoming resources when these are receivable.

**Expenditure**

Expenditure is included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of any VAT which cannot be recovered.

Expenditure which is directly attributable to specific activities has been included in these cost categories. Where costs are attributable to more than one activity, they have been apportioned across the cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of these resources.

**Charitable activities**

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

**Governance costs**

Governance costs comprise those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity.

**Tangible fixed assets**

Fixed assets are capitalised at cost and are depreciated over their estimated useful economic lives on a straight line basis as follows:

|                       |             |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| Computer equipment    | 33% on cost |
| Office equipment      | 25% on cost |
| Motor vehicles        | 25% on cost |
| Property improvements | 25% on cost |

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**Leasing**

Rentals are classed as operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor. These costs are charged to the income and expenditure account as incurred.

**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.

**Pension**

The charity operates a defined contribution stakeholder pension scheme. Contributions are charged in the accounts as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme. All contributions are charged to a main pool, each employee does not have a separate account in their name.

**Fund accounting**

Funds held by the charity are either:

Unrestricted general funds - these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees: or

Designated general funds - these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects that have been set aside by the trustees for a specific purpose: or

Restricted funds - these are funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the Charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for specific activities.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

**3 DONATIONS**

|                    | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2023<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2022<br/>£</b> |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Grants received    | -                                   | 260,685                           | 260,685                     | 441,590                     |
| Donations received | 4,020                               | -                                 | 4,020                       | 5,048                       |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>4,020</b>                        | <b>260,685</b>                    | <b>264,705</b>              | <b>446,638</b>              |
|                    | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2022<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2021<br/>£</b> |
| Grants received    | 1,756                               | 439,834                           | 441,590                     | 202,432                     |
| Donations received | 5,048                               | -                                 | 5,048                       | 12,865                      |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>6,804</b>                        | <b>439,834</b>                    | <b>446,638</b>              | <b>215,297</b>              |

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**4 INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES**

|                                    | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Total<br>2023<br>£ |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Play Rangers service delivery fees | 80,384                     | 240                      | 80,624             |
| Other income                       | 586                        | -                        | 586                |
| Total                              | <u>80,970</u>              | <u>240</u>               | <u>81,210</u>      |

|                                    | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Total<br>2022<br>£ |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Play Rangers service delivery fees | 67,629                     | -                        | 67,629             |
| Other income                       | 139                        | -                        | 139                |
| Total                              | <u>67,768</u>              | <u>-</u>                 | <u>67,768</u>      |

**5 GOVERNMENT GRANTS**

The government grants recognised in the accounts were as follows:

|                                                      | Total<br>2023<br>£ | Total<br>2022<br>£ |
|------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Erasmus (funding from EU)                            | 8,353              | 4,127              |
| HAF via Glos Gateway                                 | -                  | 2,400              |
| Glos CountyCcl Covid Prevention Fund                 | -                  | 18,389             |
| Govt Kickstart scheme via Glos County Council        | -                  | 5,014              |
| Youth Investment Fund via Children In Need           | -                  | 46,053             |
| Gloucestershire CC HAF Grant                         | 3,776              | 92,024             |
| National Lottery Community Fund RC South West Region | 79,998             | 40,804             |
| Levelling up fund                                    | 24,521             | -                  |
| HMRC Furlough scheme                                 | -                  | 1,429              |
|                                                      | <u>116,648</u>     | <u>210,240</u>     |

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**6 DIRECT COSTS FOR PLAY RANGER TEAMS**

| <b>Current Year</b>      | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2023<br/>£</b> |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Salaries                 | 5,880                               | 140,408                           | 146,288                     |
| Pensions                 | 7,530                               | 70                                | 7,600                       |
| Childcare vouchers       | 157                                 | -                                 | 157                         |
| Insurances               | 1,345                               | 2,846                             | 4,191                       |
| Training                 | 697                                 | 1,266                             | 1,963                       |
| Phones & admin           | 1,456                               | 330                               | 1,786                       |
| Equipment and activities | 7,690                               | 7,700                             | 15,390                      |
| Transport & travel       | 6,992                               | 5,053                             | 12,045                      |
| Publicity                | 280                                 | 1,504                             | 1,784                       |
| DBS checks               | 498                                 | 57                                | 555                         |
| Staff uniform            | 299                                 | 215                               | 514                         |
| ICT website development  | 70                                  | -                                 | 70                          |
| Depreciation             | 17,946                              | -                                 | 17,946                      |
| Sundry                   | 154                                 | 761                               | 915                         |
|                          | <u>50,994</u>                       | <u>160,210</u>                    | <u>211,204</u>              |
| <b>Comparative year</b>  | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2022<br/>£</b> |
| Salaries                 | 4,849                               | 130,937                           | 135,786                     |
| Pensions                 | 146                                 | 7,500                             | 7,646                       |
| Childcare vouchers       | 157                                 | -                                 | 157                         |
| Insurances               | 869                                 | 3,456                             | 4,325                       |
| Training                 | 1,351                               | 2,400                             | 3,751                       |
| Phones & admin           | 948                                 | 586                               | 1,534                       |
| Equipment and activities | 1,694                               | 49,454                            | 51,148                      |
| Transport & travel       | 3,019                               | 12,900                            | 15,919                      |
| Publicity                | 1,171                               | -                                 | 1,171                       |
| DBS checks               | 496                                 | 54                                | 550                         |
| Staff uniform            | 1,605                               | 365                               | 1,970                       |
| ICT                      | 607                                 | 36                                | 643                         |
| Depreciation             | 8,336                               | -                                 | 8,336                       |
| Sundry                   | 1,170                               | 139                               | 1,309                       |
|                          | <u>26,418</u>                       | <u>207,827</u>                    | <u>234,245</u>              |

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|          |                         |                                     |                                   |                             |
|----------|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>7</b> | <b>SUPPORT COSTS</b>    |                                     |                                   |                             |
|          | <b>Current Year</b>     | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2023<br/>£</b> |
|          | Rent and rates          | 3,292                               | 3,507                             | 6,799                       |
|          | Travelling expenses     |                                     | 879                               | 879                         |
|          | Maintenance             | 313                                 | 863                               | 1,176                       |
|          | Office costs            | 422                                 | 424                               | 846                         |
|          | Information technology  | 456                                 | 315                               | 771                         |
|          | Bank charges            | 82                                  | 32                                | 114                         |
|          | Gifts                   | 600                                 | -                                 | 600                         |
|          | Memberships             |                                     | 8                                 | 8                           |
|          | Salaries                | -                                   | 28,299                            | 28,299                      |
|          | Evaluation              | -                                   | 5,598                             | 5,598                       |
|          |                         | <u>5,165</u>                        | <u>39,925</u>                     | <u>45,090</u>               |
|          | <b>Comparative year</b> | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2022<br/>£</b> |
|          | Rent and rates          | - 1,357                             | 8,229                             | 6,872                       |
|          | Maintenance             | 96                                  | 75                                | 171                         |
|          | Office costs            | 843                                 | 324                               | 1,167                       |
|          | Information technology  | 385                                 | 1,027                             | 1,412                       |
|          | Bank charges            | 57                                  | 38                                | 95                          |
|          | Life Insurance          | -                                   | -                                 | -                           |
|          | Salaries                | 2,046                               | 17,678                            | 19,724                      |
|          | HR                      | -                                   | -                                 | -                           |
|          |                         | <u>2,070</u>                        | <u>27,371</u>                     | <u>29,441</u>               |
| <b>8</b> | <b>GOVERNANCE COSTS</b> |                                     |                                   |                             |
|          |                         | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2023<br/>£</b> |
|          | Independent examination | 900                                 | -                                 | 900                         |
|          | Accountancy             | 742                                 | 508                               | 1,250                       |
|          | Professional fees       | 252                                 | 4                                 | 256                         |
|          |                         | <u>1,894</u>                        | <u>512</u>                        | <u>2,406</u>                |
|          |                         | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2022<br/>£</b> |
|          | Independent examination | 720                                 | -                                 | 720                         |
|          | Accountancy             | 1,000                               | -                                 | 1,000                       |
|          |                         | <u>1,720</u>                        | <u>-</u>                          | <u>1,720</u>                |

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**9 TRUSTEES REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES, AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

Neither the management committee nor any persons connected with them received any remuneration or reimbursed expenses during the year (2022: Nil).

Aggregate donations from related parties were £nil (2022: £nil).

There are no donations from related parties which are outside the normal course of business and no restricted donations from related parties.

No trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity, including guarantees, during the year (2022: £nil).

**10 STAFF**

No remuneration was paid to the trustees in the year, nor were any expenses reimbursed to them. The staff costs were:

|                                                                                     | <b>2023</b>    | 2022           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
|                                                                                     | £              | £              |
| Wages and salaries                                                                  | 168,018        | 145,668        |
| Social security costs                                                               | 6,569          | 9,842          |
| Pension costs                                                                       | 7,600          | 7,646          |
|                                                                                     | <u>182,187</u> | <u>163,156</u> |
| <b>Number of employees</b>                                                          | <b>2023</b>    | 2022           |
| The average monthly number of full-time equivalent employees during the period was: |                |                |
| Charitable activities                                                               | 5.16           | 5.00           |
| Administration                                                                      | 0.68           | 1.00           |
| Total                                                                               | <u>5.84</u>    | <u>6.00</u>    |

The average number of contracted employees during the year was 7.

No employee has employee benefits in excess of £60,000 (2022: Nil).

The key management personnel of the charity comprise the Trustees and the Chief Executive Director of Play. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £40,506 (2022: £37,395).

**11 NET INCOME EXPENDITURE**

This is stated after charging:

|                            | <b>2023</b> | 2022  |
|----------------------------|-------------|-------|
|                            | £           | £     |
| Depreciation               | 17,946      | 8,336 |
| Independent examiner's fee | 900         | 600   |
| Operating leases - rent    | 6,799       | 6,114 |

**12 CORPORATION TAX**

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within Chapter 3 of Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the charity.

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**13 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

|                       | Property<br>improvements | Computer<br>Equipment | Office<br>Equipment | Motor<br>Vehicles | Total          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| <b>COST</b>           |                          | £                     | £                   | £                 | £              |
| As at 1 April 2022    | 22,943                   | 12,842                | 12,636              | 135,225           | 183,646        |
| Additions             |                          |                       | 139                 |                   | 139            |
| As at 31 March 2023   | <u>22,943</u>            | <u>12,842</u>         | <u>12,775</u>       | <u>135,225</u>    | <u>183,785</u> |
| <b>DEPRECIATION</b>   |                          |                       |                     |                   |                |
| As at 1 April 2022    | 15,935                   | 11,063                | 11,661              | 90,183            | 128,842        |
| Charge for the year   | 4,822                    | 621                   | 1,007               | 11,496            | 17,946         |
| As at 31 March 2023   | <u>20,757</u>            | <u>11,684</u>         | <u>12,668</u>       | <u>101,679</u>    | <u>146,788</u> |
| <b>NET BOOK VALUE</b> |                          |                       |                     |                   |                |
| As at 31 March 2022   | <u>7,008</u>             | <u>1,779</u>          | <u>975</u>          | <u>45,042</u>     | <u>54,804</u>  |
| As at 31 March 2023   | <u>2,186</u>             | <u>1,158</u>          | <u>107</u>          | <u>33,546</u>     | <u>36,997</u>  |

**14 DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

|                | 2023<br>£      | 2022<br>£      |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Trade debtors  | 24,321         | 17,058         |
| Prepayments    | 11,023         | 5,626          |
| Accrued income | 100,000        | 140,000        |
|                | <u>135,344</u> | <u>162,684</u> |

**15 CREDITORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

|                              | 2023<br>£     | 2022<br>£     |
|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Creditors                    | 2,111         | 3,455         |
| Accruals and deferred income | 7,686         | 6,844         |
| Taxation and social security | 2,346         | 2,545         |
| Other creditors              | 888           | 887           |
|                              | <u>13,031</u> | <u>13,731</u> |

**16 DEFERRED INCOME**

|                                 | 2023<br>£    | 2022<br>£    |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Deferred income brought forward | 4,000        | -            |
| Income received                 | 5,000        | 4,000        |
| Income spent                    | - 4,000      |              |
| Deferred income carried forward | <u>5,000</u> | <u>4,000</u> |

This is money paid in advance by the Virtual School to fund emergency play nurture one-to-one interventions, for example if a child is at risk of exclusion.

**17 OTHER COMMITMENTS**

The total of future minimum lease payments under two operating leases, are detailed in the following table:

|               | <b>Land and Buildings</b> |              |
|---------------|---------------------------|--------------|
|               | 2023<br>£                 | 2022<br>£    |
| Within 1 year | <u>1,593</u>              | <u>1,593</u> |

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**18 STATEMENT OF FUNDS**

| Current Year                         | Balance at<br>1 April 2022<br>£ | Incoming<br>Resources<br>£ | Outgoing<br>Resources<br>£ | Transfer<br>£ | Balance at<br>31 March 2023<br>£ |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|
| <b><u>Restricted Funds:</u></b>      |                                 |                            |                            |               |                                  |
| NHS CCG                              | 427                             | -                          | (428)                      | -             | 1                                |
| Glos CountyCcl Levelling up          | -                               | 24,521                     |                            |               | 24,521                           |
| Gloucestershire Gateway Trust        | 8,161                           | 30,000                     | (28,162)                   | -             | 9,999                            |
| Kickstart grant                      | 259                             | -                          | (115)                      | -             | 144                              |
| Podsmead Big Local                   | -                               | 7,551                      | (7,551)                    | -             | -                                |
| Youth Investment Fund                | -                               | 4                          | -                          | -             | 4                                |
| National Lottery Community Fund SW F | 26,055                          | 79,998                     | (80,590)                   | -             | 25,325                           |
| Gloucestershire Community Foundator  | 1,595                           | -                          |                            | -             | 1,595                            |
| Erasmus                              | 4,813                           | 8,353                      | (3,726)                    | -             | 9,440                            |
| GoC Coney Hill                       | 1,565                           | -                          | (1,565)                    | -             | -                                |
| GoC Ruspidge                         | 3,135                           | -                          | (3,134)                    | -             | 1                                |
| Glos County C HAF Grant              | 1,374                           | 3,776                      | (5,150)                    | -             | -                                |
| Glos County C Early Help Commissioni | -                               | 240                        | (240)                      | -             | -                                |
| Avening CofE Education Fund          | -                               | 534                        | (534)                      | -             | -                                |
| Thriving Communities Grant           | 5,876                           | -                          |                            | -             | 5,876                            |
| NHS ICB Play Nurture                 | -                               | 100,000                    |                            | -             | 100,000                          |
| Active Gloucestershire               | -                               | 5,952                      |                            | -             | 5,952                            |
| Together in Matson                   | 20                              | -                          | (20)                       | -             | -                                |
| NHS CCG Kingsway project             | 75,000                          | -                          | (36,931)                   | -             | 38,069                           |
| NHS CCG Schools project              | 65,000                          | -                          | (32,501)                   | -             | 32,499                           |
|                                      | <u>193,276</u>                  | <u>260,925</u>             | <u>(200,647)</u>           | <u>(138)</u>  | <u>253,416</u>                   |
| <b><u>Unrestricted Funds:</u></b>    |                                 |                            |                            |               |                                  |
| <b><u>Designated Funds:</u></b>      |                                 |                            |                            |               |                                  |
| Vehicle Fund                         | 20,000                          | -                          | -                          | -             | 20,000                           |
| Play Equipment Fund                  | 10,325                          | -                          | -                          | -             | 10,325                           |
| Uniforms Fund                        | 5,000                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 5,000                            |
| Office Equipment Fund                | 5,000                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 5,000                            |
| Fixed Asset Reserves Fund            | 54,804                          | -                          | -                          | -             | 36,858                           |
|                                      | <u>95,129</u>                   | <u>-</u>                   | <u>-</u>                   | <u>-</u>      | <u>77,183</u>                    |
| General Fund                         | 97,817                          | 84,990                     | (58,053)                   | 18,084        | 142,838                          |
| <b>Unrestricted Funds</b>            | <u>192,946</u>                  | <u>84,990</u>              | <u>(58,053)</u>            | <u>138</u>    | <u>220,021</u>                   |
| <b>Total Funds</b>                   | <u>386,222</u>                  | <u>345,915</u>             | <u>(258,700)</u>           | <u>-</u>      | <u>473,437</u>                   |

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| Comparative Year                      | Balance at<br>1 April 2021<br>£ | Incoming<br>Resources<br>£ | Outgoing<br>Resources<br>£ | Transfer<br>£ | Balance at<br>31 March 2022<br>£ |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|
| <b>Restricted Funds:</b>              |                                 |                            |                            |               |                                  |
| NHS CCG                               | -                               | 50,000                     | (49,573)                   | -             | 427                              |
| Glos County Ccl Covid Prevention Fund | -                               | 18,389                     | (18,389)                   | -             | -                                |
| Gloucestershire Gateway Trust         | 1,808                           | 30,000                     | (23,647)                   | -             | 8,161                            |
| Sport England Potentials Fund         | 6,482                           | -                          | (6,492)                    | 10            | -                                |
| Henry Smith Charity                   | 8,381                           | -                          | (8,381)                    | -             | -                                |
| Kickstart grant                       | -                               | 5,014                      | (4,755)                    | -             | 259                              |
| HAF via Glos Gateway                  | -                               | 2,400                      | (2,400)                    | -             | -                                |
| Podsmead Big Local                    | -                               | 6,488                      | (6,488)                    | -             | -                                |
| Youth Investment Fund                 | -                               | 46,053                     | (57)                       | -             | (4)                              |
| GoC Nailsworth                        | 498                             | -                          | (498)                      | -             | -                                |
| National Lottery Community Fund SW F  | -                               | 40,804                     | (14,050)                   | (46,000)      | 26,055                           |
| Gloucestershire Community Foundatior  | -                               | 4,535                      | -                          | -             | 1,595                            |
| Erasmus                               | 3,156                           | 4,127                      | (2,470)                    | (699)         | 4,813                            |
| GoC Coney Hill                        | 2,609                           | -                          | (1,044)                    | (2,940)       | 1,565                            |
| GoC Ruspidge                          | 4,180                           | -                          | (1,045)                    | -             | 3,135                            |
| Glos County C HAF Grant               | -                               | 10,325                     | (80,325)                   | -             | 1,374                            |
| HMRC Furlough Scheme Grant            | 1,625                           | -                          | (1,625)                    | -             | -                                |
| Glos Disability Fund                  | 8,131                           | -                          | (8,131)                    | -             | -                                |
| National Lottery Covid Emergency Fund | 1,521                           | -                          | (1,549)                    | 28            | -                                |
| Thriving Communities Grant            | 5,876                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 5,876                            |
| MidCounties Co-operative              | 68                              | -                          | (68)                       | -             | -                                |
| Active Gloucestershire                | 3,000                           | -                          | (3,000)                    | -             | -                                |
| GoC Cirencester                       | 1,046                           | -                          | (1,046)                    | -             | -                                |
| Together in Matson                    | 185                             | -                          | (165)                      | -             | 20                               |
| NHS CCG Kingsway project              | -                               | 75,000                     | -                          | -             | 75,000                           |
| NHS CCG Schools project               | -                               | 65,000                     | -                          | -             | 65,000                           |
|                                       | 38,241                          | 439,834                    | 235,198                    | 49,601        | 193,276                          |
| <b>Unrestricted Funds:</b>            |                                 |                            |                            |               |                                  |
| <b>Designated Funds:</b>              |                                 |                            |                            |               |                                  |
| Vehicle Fund                          | 20,000                          | -                          | -                          | -             | 20,000                           |
| Play equipment Fund                   | 10,325                          | -                          | -                          | -             | 10,325                           |
| Uniforms Fund                         | 5,000                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 5,000                            |
| Office Equipment Fund                 | 5,000                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 5,000                            |
| Fixed Asset Reserves Fund             | -                               | -                          | -                          | 54,804        | 54,804                           |
|                                       | 40,325                          | -                          | -                          | 54,804        | 95,129                           |
| General Fund                          | 58,656                          | 74,572                     | (30,208)                   | (5,203)       | 97,817                           |
| <b>Unrestricted Funds</b>             | <b>98,981</b>                   | <b>74,572</b>              | <b>(30,208)</b>            | <b>49,601</b> | <b>192,946</b>                   |
|                                       |                                 | -                          |                            |               |                                  |
| <b>Total Funds</b>                    | <b>137,222</b>                  | <b>514,406</b>             | <b>(265,406)</b>           | <b>-</b>      | <b>386,222</b>                   |

**Restricted Funds:****NHS CCG**

Grant to fund 12 month Play Nurture Plus project in 2021-2 to bring play nurture to more schools across Gloucester to help support children post-Covid.

**Glos County Ccl Levelling up**

Grant to provide holiday playdays in Ruspidge during 2023-4 and year round after school and holiday play in Podsmead during 2023-4.

**Gloucestershire Gateway Trust**

Funds core costs.

**Kickstart**

Grant to cover costs of employing and training a new member of staff on 28 hrs/week. Remaining funds to be used for training and equipment for recruited staff member.

**Podsmead Big Local**

Grant funding for play sessions in Podsmead, Gloucester.

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|                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                           |
|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Youth Investment Fund</b>                             | Grant to purchase an electric 8-seater vehicle for transporting children to and from the Play Sanctuary. Purchased March 2022.                                            |
| <b>National Lottery Community Fund South West Region</b> | Grant funding a three-year project offering regular, targeted Play Nurture support to children within 1 mile of the Play Sanctuary.                                       |
| <b>Gloucestershire Community Fdn</b>                     | Grant to supply and fit heat pump to the Play Sanctuary, plus other improvements.                                                                                         |
| <b>Erasmus</b>                                           | PG is participant in PAClife project using volunteering to help young people overcome adverse circumstances                                                               |
| <b>GoC Coney Hill</b>                                    | Growing our Communities Fund for Coney Hill; all sessions delayed by Covid now delivered                                                                                  |
| <b>GoC Ruspidge</b>                                      | Growing our Communities Fund for Ruspidge; all sessions delayed by Covid now delivered.                                                                                   |
| <b>County Ccl HAF Grant</b>                              | Grant to provide active play sessions with a hot meal for children during Easter school holidays in 2022-23.                                                              |
| <b>Glos County Ccl Early Help</b>                        | Grant to run Transitions camps in the Summer holidays for children needing more support changing from primary to secondary school.                                        |
| <b>Avening CofE Education Fund</b>                       | Grant to run a Summer playday.                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>Thriving Communities Grant</b>                        | Project to support local communities to set up their own play sessions. Paused due to Covid.                                                                              |
| <b>NHS ICB Play Nurture</b>                              | Grant to support small group and one to one Play Nurture delivery; grant is also to support expansion of PG to recruit new staff and lease transport to increase services |
| <b>Active Gloucestershire</b>                            | Grant to run Stay & Play sessions 2023-24                                                                                                                                 |
| <b>Together In Matson</b>                                | Funding for large flasks and for soup and rolls for holiday play sessions.                                                                                                |
| <b>NHS CCG Kingsway Project</b>                          | Grant for 2 year project to run after-school play sessions, school Play Nurture sessions and holiday play sessions across Kingsway, Gloucester.                           |
| <b>NHS CCG Play Nurture Plus Project</b>                 | Grant for 2 year project to help schools develop and run their own Play Nurture sessions, train Play Champions in schools and promote the benefits of child-led play      |
| <b><u>General fund</u> -</b>                             | Targeted as 3-6 months running costs which is approximately £69 - 138k.                                                                                                   |
| <b><u>Designated Funds:</u></b>                          |                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Vehicle Fund -</b>                                    | The vehicle fund is for the repair and maintenance of motor vehicles held and a replacement scheme.                                                                       |
| <b>Equipment Funds -</b>                                 | The equipment funds are for the replacement of office and play equipment held.                                                                                            |
| <b>Uniform Fund -</b>                                    | To provide for uniforms.                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Fixed Asset Reserves Fund -</b>                       | Designated fund for the net book value of fixed assets, representing funds not freely available to be spent on the operating costs of the charity                         |

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**19 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS**

|                                                    | <b>General<br/>Fund</b> | <b>Designated<br/>Funds</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds</b> | <b>2023<br/>Total</b> |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
|                                                    | <b>£</b>                | <b>£</b>                    | <b>£</b>                    | <b>£</b>              |
| Fund balances at 31 March 2023 are represented by: |                         |                             |                             |                       |
| Tangible fixed assets                              | -                       | 36,997                      | -                           | 36,997                |
| Current assets                                     | 155,869                 | 40,186                      | 253,416                     | 449,471               |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year     | (13,031)                | -                           | -                           | (13,031)              |
| <b>Total</b>                                       | <b>142,838</b>          | <b>77,183</b>               | <b>253,416</b>              | <b>473,437</b>        |
|                                                    |                         |                             |                             |                       |
|                                                    | <b>General<br/>Fund</b> | <b>Designated<br/>Funds</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds</b> | <b>2022<br/>Total</b> |
|                                                    | <b>£</b>                | <b>£</b>                    | <b>£</b>                    | <b>£</b>              |
| Fund balances at 31 March 2022 are represented by: |                         |                             |                             |                       |
| Tangible fixed assets                              | 0                       | 54,804                      | 0                           | 54,804                |
| Current assets                                     | 111,548                 | 40,325                      | 193,276                     | 345,149               |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year     | (13,731)                | -                           | -                           | -13,731               |
| <b>Total</b>                                       | <b>97,817</b>           | <b>95,129</b>               | <b>193,276</b>              | <b>386,222</b>        |

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# Accounts

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**PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE**

**COMPANY NUMBER 6260058**

**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1126562**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2022**

PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE

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PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE  
COMPANY INFORMATION  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

|                                  |                                                                                                      |
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| <b>Trustees &amp; directors:</b> | Louise Holder<br>Diane Mautterer<br>Matthew Arthur<br>Jenni Wilson<br>Chloe Booth<br>Lindsay Chaplin |
| <b>Key management personnel:</b> | Pip Levett                                                                                           |
| <b>Secretary:</b>                | Helen Logan                                                                                          |
| <b>Registered office:</b>        | Unit R7-R9<br>City Works<br>Alfred Street<br>Gloucester<br>GL1 4DF                                   |
| <b>Principal office:</b>         | Unit R7-R9<br>City Works<br>Alfred Street<br>Gloucester<br>GL1 4DF                                   |
| <b>Company number:</b>           | 06260058                                                                                             |
| <b>Charity number:</b>           | 1126562                                                                                              |
| <b>Independent examiner:</b>     | Patrick Morrello ACA<br>Holyoake House<br>Hanover Street<br>Manchester<br>M60 0AS                    |
| <b>Bankers:</b>                  | Barclays Bank plc<br>Leicester<br>Leicestershire<br>LE87 2BB                                         |

PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE  
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

The Trustees (who are also directors for the purposes of company law) present their report and the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022. Included within the trustees' report is the directors' report as required by company law.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 2 to the accounts and comply with the Charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, in accordance with Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities SORP (FRS102) and the Companies Act 2006.

**Objectives and Activities**

The objects of the charity are:

To advance in life and help young people up to the age of 19 through:

(a) The provision of recreational and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare, designed to improve their conditions of life.

(b) Providing support and activities which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals.

The charity has a shared vision of happy and healthy childhoods full of outdoor play. Play Gloucestershire is a charity which believes that playing outdoors is an essential part of a happy, healthy childhood, and at the heart of a nurturing community. We provide fun, adventurous and inclusive opportunities for local outdoor play, to transform children's lives and help them build active, positive futures.

The main areas of activity used to achieve these objectives are:

- Providing free open access play opportunities for all in parks and public open spaces (Community Play Rangers)
- Providing volunteering and playwork opportunities for young people, through our Young Volunteer scheme. We also provide volunteering opportunities for young people taking their Duke of Edinburgh Award and provide a small number of work experience placements to children we work with and to older students.
- Encouraging children and families to be active by offering ideas for active games and activities at play sessions; encouraging healthy eating by offering healthy snacks and meals and encouraging children to get involved in preparing food.
- Providing child-led outdoor play either in small groups or one-to-one for therapeutic benefit (Play Nurture)
- Promoting children's play to funders, schools, communities and working to develop playful communities across the County (play advocacy)

To assess outcomes, the charity keeps records of attendance at play sessions which are reported back to funders. Case studies, quotes and feedback from families, teachers and others are also recorded to assess impact. The charity has conducted user surveys and commissioned external evaluation reports in previous years and the current Play 2 Nurture project includes a full evaluation process, which will provide good practice for the future.

The charity does not make use of social investment and does not make grants.

The charity has a small number of adult volunteers and Duke of Edinburgh volunteers who contribute to play sessions but they are always in addition to paid staff, rather than in place of them.

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

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**Achievements and Performance**

The charity's main activities and who it tries to help are described below. All its charitable activities focus on outdoor child-led play and are undertaken to further Play Gloucestershire's charitable purposes for the public benefit.

The headline leading this trustees report is that our Play Rangers resumed community play after a 16-month hiatus. At the start of this financial year, the Covid storm was still raging and we were still unable to deliver open access play in parks across Gloucestershire.

The timely emergency support from The National Lottery Community Fund and HM Government through their Coronavirus Community Support Fund meant that we were able to start the new year on a strong financial footing. Not only have we been able to adapt our play activities to support some of Gloucestershire's disadvantaged children with our Play Nurture and Stepping Out sessions, we were also able to provide families with a playful boost by getting out another 3,000 Bags of Play between April 2021 and March 2022.

**Community Play**

The missing component to our work was community play and it was not until the school summer holidays when Covid restrictions started to relax, that we were able to resume our much-loved free, open access play in green spaces across the County. It had been sorely missed by children and their families and our Play Rangers could not wait to get back to it. Returning to play was challenging for some. Young people have spent so long in social isolation that it took courage for some to return. Our Play Team were acutely aware that some struggled, needed extra encouragement and we all noticed the missing faces – regulars pre-covid who did not return. It highlights the importance of continuity in community play – something that pre-covid Play Gloucestershire had achieved so successfully over the 14 years of its existence. Sharing everyday events with children on a regular basis builds trust. When weekly contact stops, relationships can grind to a halt and some young people simply lose their desire and healthy habit of weekly outdoor play with friends and their trusted Play Rangers.

**Work in Schools**

We have continued to run Play Nurture sessions at Harewood Junior School and also at The Milestone School (SEND provision setting). We have also provided emergency one-to-one sessions with a child who was at risk of being excluded from school. Our Play Nurture Plus project, described below, also takes place in schools.

**Play Statistics**

The statistics show we have provided 106 play days, 186 school sessions, 117 after school sessions and more than 1061 hours of outdoor play, receiving 4730 play visits from children.

Some significant projects have been funded during this year:

**Play Nurture Plus**

Play Nurture Plus is a joint project between Play Gloucestershire, Gloucestershire Healthy Living and Learning, Gloucestershire's Clinical Commissioning Group and Active Gloucestershire that began in April 2021 and ran on a term-by-term basis until March 2022. The aim of the project was to embed the principles of Play Gloucestershire's award-winning Play Nurture programme in schools using a 'train the trainer' model designed and implemented by Play Gloucestershire. Working with 17 partner schools this pilot project we supported pupils to:

- Build resilience
- Increase physical activity
- Improve relationships
- Develop imagination and creativity
- Promote learning
- Encourage mindfulness

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There are now 46 faculty members spread across our initial 17 partner schools that have benefitted from the 'train the trainer' model and on the job experience of how Play Nurture sessions work. With the skills, techniques and experience gained in the 8-week PNG programme 31 school Play Champions have used the principles and developed their own version of Play Nurture with support from our Play Rangers providing regular check-ins, WhatsApp/online support groups, and reflective practice. We have left a Play Nurture legacy with schools prepared to use play and its benefits to support staff and pupils.

#### **PAClife**

Physical and Cultural Activities for Life Skill Development (known as PAClife) is our first European project - funded by Erasmus+ and designed to support young migrants and young people facing disadvantage to develop increased resilience through sport and cultural activities. The project, led by The University of Gloucestershire has joined 6 partners from across the EU (Play Gloucestershire, Rogers Foundation- Hungary, KMOP- Greece, CESIE- Italy and MS ActionAid, Denmark) who have collaborated to enhance the lives of young people, refugees or looked after young people.

The PACLife project was interrupted by Covid, resulting in a very intense and condensed 12-month period of delivery from June 2021. We collaborated by devising a core syllabus with partners and then our Team Leader Katie Spencer-Jefferies took part in training the trainers, trained our own trainers and some external ones as well, and oversaw the training of 11 young people who went on to successfully complete a volunteer placement. The increase in confidence and self-esteem of our participating young people was marked, as was their understanding and self-awareness that doing good makes you feel good.

#### **HAF**

We continued to contribute to the Government funded Holiday Activity and Food programme, known as HAF. This programme supports children experiencing holiday hunger with positive activities and healthy meals. Our charity has not only delivered HAF activities at Easter, Summer and Christmas this year but provided more Bags of Play and supported the development of the HAF programme with Gloucestershire County Council. New partnerships have emerged with The Sober Parrot and The Long Table (providing healthy meals for us to cook and serve outdoors on our campfires) and we have worked closely with Gloucestershire Gateway Trust and The Venture, White City too. We were chosen as a case study for the national HAF evaluation and hosted a virtual visit to one of our summer play days.

#### **Play 2 Nurture**

In early September 2021, we received the fabulous news that The National Lottery Community Fund had awarded us £240,119 over three years to provide outdoor play and support for children and families living in the heart of Gloucester. Our 'Play 2 Nurture' project will support 90 school-aged children each year, using the therapeutic power of play to help those facing adversity to build resilience and have better life chances. The project is targeted at children who live or go to school within a mile of The Play Sanctuary in Gloucester (GL1 4DF). It aims to use play to help young people experiencing emotional and/or economic hardship as we emerge from the pandemic. We had applied for this grant before the pandemic hit, so were delighted that after a long wait, in January 2022 we were able to launch this project. It starts at the very time when children need to play more than ever, as we attempt to support their Covid recovery through play.

Other significant developments:

#### **First electric vehicle**

Towards the end of the year, we were fortunate to be awarded a grant of £46,053 from the DCMS Youth Investment Fund for an eight-seater electric vehicle to transport children and play equipment.

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**New Director of Play**

Succession planning for our new Director of Play started in June 2021. With pro bono support from consultant Julie Lester, a timeline was created to ensure that the new Director would be in post at the start of April 2022. The planning ensured that we kept to our timetable keeping our staff fully informed and supported in the process. Retention of staff is something that Play Gloucestershire excel in and we were keenly aware that such a big change can cause uncertainty and instability. Interviews were held in November 2021 and we were delighted to appoint Team Leader Ben Morris as our new Director of Play who succeeded charity founder Pip Levett after 14 years at the helm.

The charity did not undertake any large scale fundraising activities, does not make any investments and has not incurred any material expenditure to raise funds in the future.

**Beneficiaries of our services**

The main beneficiaries of our services are children, with our core age range being 7 to 13. This includes looked-after children, children dealing with difficulties in their lives which may include domestic abuse, bereavement, difficulties making friendships, as well as those dealing with the usual ups and downs of childhood. We work with children at public green spaces near their homes and focus on areas of urban deprivation or rural isolation. We also work with referred children in schools and also in a SEND provision setting. Further beneficiaries are the children's families and carers, school staff and local communities where we engage with local people to improve provision of safe places to play and to increase use of green spaces.

**Financial Review**

Over the last 14 years the Play Gloucestershire team have consistently proved their ability to adapt and change rapidly to evolving circumstances whilst keeping our play mission central to all activity. We have built a low core cost model, with only one member of the team non-child facing, and the whole team led by the Play Director always placing the needs of the children and communities first, no matter what the circumstances. We have a long and exemplary track record for play delivery, quality, reliability and value.

There is high demand for our services as we move into recovery from the pandemic. Demand is met through commissioning and grants with several large-scale projects this year. We are currently working with NHS Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) on a two year continuation of our 'Play Nurture Plus' programme in schools across the county and CCG have also funded a two year project offering Play Nurture in schools and community play in an area they have targeted as in need of health and welfare interventions, Kingsway in Gloucester. Our new three year Lottery funded project called 'Play 2 Nurture' started in January 2022 giving us a solid financial base during this period. Gloucestershire County Council's Early Help Team have also re-commissioned our 'Playful Transitions' approach – giving support to children in transition to secondary school.

Other projects put on hold due to the pandemic have resumed such as ERASMUS PACLife. Community play funders have all returned; we have a full programme of after school delivery and there is a strong demand for community play during the holidays.

Play Gloucestershire ended the financial year with very strong reserves having received more income than expected due to more income streams returning after Covid, the grant for an electric vehicle, and a large grant of £140k paid in advance by NHS CCG for two 2-year programmes. However, increasingly challenging economic circumstances for the whole country mean that costs are rising steeply, so we may need to call on reserves. Our fleet of five vans is also now 15 years old and starting to show signs of wear and tear; we will need to hold reserves in case we have to replace or lease one or more vans in order to keep delivering play sessions. As a mobile service, we are dependent upon our vans to deliver play. All that being said, we are as well placed as we can be to ensure that we keep supporting children through the years ahead.

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### Going concern

We have been successful in moving towards a model of '50:50' Community Play: Play Nurture as identified in our strategic plan called 'More Play Please' and this brings our finances to a sustainable position. We had identified that after-school and holiday provision was not sufficient to fund the charity's expenses and we also wanted to do more therapeutic Play Nurture work to support children. The Play Nurture projects we have developed have allowed us to fulfil our charitable objectives and also place the charity's finances on a more sustainable basis. The trustees are happy that Play Gloucestershire is a going concern.

### Plans for the future

We are continuing to follow our strategic plan 'More Play Please' as mentioned above by continuing to provide a mixture of free to use open-access Community Play and targeted therapeutic play nurture sessions. We plan to increase provision by recruiting and training a new site leader who can lead sessions in both types of work. This person was employed in July 2022 and is gaining experience.

### Reserves policy

The policy of the charity is to maintain adequate general reserves at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure (£60,000 - £120,000). The trustees consider that general reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the Charity's activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised.

Reserves are currently higher than this level at £192,946 but this includes £46,000 grant for the electric vehicle (which has been purchased) and will be depreciated over the next four years, so is not available for general expenditure. As explained above, uncertain economic circumstances and the increasingly likely need to replace or lease new vans means that this surplus may well be called on in the near future in order to allow the charity to keep delivering for its beneficiaries. If circumstances change (eg we find grant funding for new vans, or costs stop increasing so sharply) the trustees will look to reduce reserves to the usual level.

Reserves as at 31 March 2021 were as follows:

|                           | £             | £                     |
|---------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| <u>Restricted Funds</u>   |               | 193,276               |
| <u>Unrestricted Funds</u> |               |                       |
| General Funds             | 97,817        |                       |
| Designated Funds          | <u>95,129</u> |                       |
|                           |               | 192,946               |
| <b>Total funds</b>        |               | <b><u>386,222</u></b> |

### Chair's Report

Reflecting on 2021/22, our charity was in a healthy financial position, particularly after securing funding from the National Lottery Community Fund. The year also marked the very welcome return of our open access community play, following the relaxation of Covid restrictions. This important element of our work was greatly missed by children, families and our Play Rangers. Play Nurture and Stepping Out activities continued to support some of the most disadvantaged children in Gloucestershire.

After 14 years, Pip Levett stepped down as Director of Play. As the founder of the charity, these were hard shoes to fill. However, the trustees were delighted to appoint Team Leader Ben Morris as her successor and have no doubt that the charity is in capable hands, as Ben leads Play Gloucestershire through its next chapter.

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**Structure, Governance and Management**

**Governing Document**

Play Gloucestershire is a charitable company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 25th May 2007, and amended by written resolution on 9 October 2008. The charitable company was registered with the Charity Commission on 4 November 2008. There are currently four members who are Trustees, each of whom agree to contribute a sum not exceeding £10 in the event of the company winding up.

**Trustees**

As set out in the Articles of Association, there must be at least three Trustees. The four Trustees are those people notified to Companies House as the Directors of Play Gloucestershire.

**Methods Used to Recruit and Appoint New Trustees**

If the trustees identify the need for new trustees – due to resignations, or the need for one or more trustees with specific skills – they will agree what skills, experience and knowledge are needed and agree a recruitment process, complying with the charity's governing documents.

**Trustee Induction and Training**

Play Gloucestershire have a Trustee induction programme that includes briefings on legal obligations under company and charity law, the contents of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, decision making processes, financial performance and introductions to key employees and other Trustees. Trustees are encouraged to attend appropriate training events to facilitate the undertaking of their role.

**Trustees**

The Trustees who held office during the period and up to the date of this report were as follows:

|                 |                      |
|-----------------|----------------------|
| Louise Holder   | Resigned 29/03/2022  |
| Diane Mautterer |                      |
| Matthew Arthur  |                      |
| Jenni Wilson    |                      |
| Chloe Booth     | Resigned 16/05/2022  |
| Lindsay Chaplin | Appointed 17/08/2022 |

**Organisation**

The board of Trustees hold teleconference meetings as required and meet each quarter. They have appointed a Chief Executive Officer (known as the 'Director of Play') to manage the day-to-day operations of the charitable company. To facilitate effective operations, the Director of Play has delegated authority, within the terms of delegation approved by the Trustees, for operational matters including finance, employment and all play delivery. The Director of Play during this period was Pip Levett.

**Risk management**

The Trustees are developing a risk management strategy which will include an annual review of the risks the charity may face and the establishment of systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identified. It will also include procedures to follow to minimise any potential impact on the charity should those risks materialise.

**Remuneration policy for key management personnel**

Any changes to pay and remuneration for key management personnel are proposed with support from an external HR advisor to provide advice and benchmarking where this is possible. The recent restructure used this process.

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**Related parties and relationships with other organisations**

Play Gloucestershire does not have any formal partnerships with other organisations for play delivery but has worked with the Nelson Trust and The Long Table to provide food for HAF sessions. We have longstanding informal relationships with many charities and other organisations across the County.

Reference and Administrative Details are shown on page one of this report.

**Statement of trustees' responsibilities**

The trustees (who are also directors of Play Gloucestershire 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 Charities SORP;
- 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. 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.

On behalf of the board of trustees and directors



Diane Mautterer  
Chair of Trustees

Date: 07 / 12 / 2022

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT  
TO THE TRUSTEES OF  
PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2022 set out on pages 10 to 25.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b)) of the Charities Act, and
- to 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 the 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**

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of ICAEW.

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 130 of the Charities Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

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.



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Date: 07 / 12 / 2022

## PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
(including Income and Expenditure Account)

for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

|                                    | Notes | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>2022<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>2022<br>£ | Total<br>Funds<br>2022<br>£ | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>2021<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>2021<br>£ | Total<br>Funds<br>2021<br>£ |
|------------------------------------|-------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Income from:</b>                |       |                                    |                                  |                             |                                    |                                  |                             |
| Donations                          | 3     | 6,804                              | 439,834                          | 446,638                     | 32,866                             | 182,431                          | 215,297                     |
| Charitable Activities              | 4     | 67,768                             | -                                | 67,768                      | 17,715                             | -                                | 17,715                      |
| <b>Total</b>                       |       | <u>74,572</u>                      | <u>439,834</u>                   | <u>514,406</u>              | <u>50,581</u>                      | <u>182,431</u>                   | <u>233,012</u>              |
| <b>Expenditure on:</b>             |       |                                    |                                  |                             |                                    |                                  |                             |
| <b>Charitable activities</b>       |       |                                    |                                  |                             |                                    |                                  |                             |
| Direct costs for play ranger teams | 6     | 26,418                             | 207,827                          | 234,245                     | 32,143                             | 169,007                          | 201,150                     |
| Support costs                      | 7     | 2,070                              | 27,371                           | 29,441                      | 9,365                              | 16,976                           | 26,341                      |
| Governance costs                   | 8     | 1,720                              | -                                | 1,720                       | 964                                | 486.00                           | 1,450                       |
| <b>Total</b>                       |       | <u>30,208</u>                      | <u>235,198</u>                   | <u>265,406</u>              | <u>42,472</u>                      | <u>186,469</u>                   | <u>228,941</u>              |
| <b>Net income (expenditure)</b>    | 11    | 44,364                             | 204,636                          | 249,000                     | 8,109                              | (4,038)                          | 4,071                       |
| Transfer between funds             |       | 49,601                             | (49,601)                         | -                           | 1,088.00                           | - 1,088.00                       | -                           |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>       |       | <u>93,965</u>                      | <u>155,035</u>                   | <u>249,000</u>              | <u>9,197</u>                       | <u>(5,126)</u>                   | <u>4,071</u>                |
| <b>Reconciliation of funds</b>     |       |                                    |                                  |                             |                                    |                                  |                             |
| Total funds brought forward        | 20    | 98,981                             | 38,241                           | 137,222                     | 89,784                             | 43,367                           | 133,151                     |
| <b>Total funds carried forward</b> | 20    | <u><u>192,946</u></u>              | <u><u>193,276</u></u>            | <u><u>386,222</u></u>       | <u><u>98,981</u></u>               | <u><u>38,241</u></u>             | <u><u>137,222</u></u>       |

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 March 2022

|                                     | Notes | £              | 2022<br>£      | £              | 2021<br>£      |
|-------------------------------------|-------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>FIXED ASSETS</b>                 |       |                |                |                |                |
| Tangible assets                     | 13    |                | 54,804         |                | 13,131         |
| <b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>               |       |                |                |                |                |
| Stock                               |       | -              | -              |                |                |
| Debtors                             | 14    | 162,684        |                | 5,444          |                |
| Cash at bank                        |       | <u>182,465</u> |                | <u>129,327</u> |                |
|                                     |       | 345,149        |                | 134,771        |                |
| <b>CREDITORS</b>                    |       |                |                |                |                |
| Amounts falling due within one year | 15    | <u>13,731</u>  |                | <u>10,680</u>  |                |
| <b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>           |       |                | 331,418        |                | 124,091        |
| <b>NET ASSETS</b>                   |       |                | <u>386,222</u> |                | <u>137,222</u> |
| <b>RESERVES</b>                     |       |                |                |                |                |
| Restricted Funds                    | 20    |                | 193,276        |                | 38,241         |
| Unrestricted Funds                  | 20    |                |                |                |                |
| General Funds                       |       | 97,817         |                | 58,656         |                |
| Designated Funds                    |       | <u>95,129</u>  |                | <u>40,325</u>  |                |
|                                     |       |                | 192,946        |                | 98,981         |
|                                     | 20    |                | <u>386,222</u> |                | <u>137,222</u> |

The notes on pages 13 to 25 form part of these accounts.

For the year ended 31 March 2022, the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

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

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

These accounts were approved by the trustees on 07 / 12 / 2022 and are signed on their behalf by:



Diane Mautterer  
Chair of Trustees

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Company number 6260058

CASH FLOW STATEMENT  
For the year ended 31 March 2022

|                                                                           | Notes | 2022<br>£ | 2021<br>£ |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>                               | 1     | 103,147   | 22,778    |
| <b>Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities</b>                |       | 103,147   | 22,778    |
| <b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>                               |       |           |           |
| Purchase of tangible fixed assets                                         |       | (50,009)  | (1,198)   |
| <b>Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities</b>                |       | (50,009)  | (1,198)   |
| <b>Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period</b>        |       | 53,138    | 21,580    |
| <b>Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period</b> |       | 129,327   | 107,747   |
| <b>Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period</b>       |       | 182,465   | 129,327   |

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CASH FLOW STATEMENT  
For the year ended 31 March 2022

**1 Reconciliation for net income to net cash flow from operating activities**

|                                                                                    | <b>2022</b><br><b>£</b> | <b>2021</b><br><b>£</b> |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Net income for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities) | 249,000                 | 4,071                   |
| Adjustments for:                                                                   |                         |                         |
| Depreciation charges                                                               | 8,336                   | 7,158                   |
| Decrease/(increase) in debtors                                                     | (157,240)               | 14,308                  |
| Decrease/(increase) in creditors                                                   | 3,051                   | (2,759)                 |
| Net cash provided by/(used in) operations                                          | <hr/> 103,147           | <hr/> 22,778            |

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2022

**1 COMPANY INFORMATION**

The company is limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales; it is also a registered charity (number 1126562) whose activities are intended to be for the public benefit. Its registered office is Unit R7-R9, City Works, Alfred Street, Gloucester, GL1 4DF.

**2 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) issued in October 2019 - Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note.

**Going concern**

After making enquiries, the directors are not aware of any material uncertainties that cast doubt on going concern and they have a reasonable expectation that the company will be able to continue its activities for the foreseeable future, and at least twelve months from the date of approval of these accounts. Accordingly, they have continued to adopt the going concern basis in the financial statements.

More information can be found in the Trustees Report.

**Income from Charitable activities**

Income from services provided were included in incoming resources in the year in which the relevant service takes place.

**Donations**

Income from donations and grants is included in incoming resources when these are receivable.

**Expenditure**

Expenditure is included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of any VAT which cannot be recovered.

Expenditure which is directly attributable to specific activities has been included in these cost categories. Where costs are attributable to more than one activity, they have been apportioned across the cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of these resources.

**Charitable activities**

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

**Governance costs**

Governance costs comprise those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity.

**Tangible fixed assets**

Fixed assets are capitalised at cost and are depreciated over their estimated useful economic lives on a straight line basis as follows:

|                       |             |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| Computer equipment    | 33% on cost |
| Office equipment      | 25% on cost |
| Motor vehicles        | 25% on cost |
| Property improvements | 25% on cost |

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**Leasing**

Rentals are classed as operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor. These costs are charged to the income and expenditure account as incurred.

**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.

**Pension**

The charity operates a defined contribution stakeholder pension scheme. Contributions are charged in the accounts as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme. All contributions are charged to a main pool, each employee does not have a separate account in their name.

**Fund accounting**

Funds held by the charity are either:

Unrestricted general funds - these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees: or

Designated general funds - these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects that have been set aside by the trustees for a specific purpose: or

Restricted funds - these are funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the Charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for specific activities.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

**3 DONATIONS**

|                    | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2022<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2021<br/>£</b> |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Grants received    | 1,756                               | 439,834                           | 441,590                     | 202,432                     |
| Fundraising        | -                                   | -                                 | -                           | -                           |
| Donations received | 5,048                               | -                                 | 5,048                       | 12,865                      |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>6,804</b>                        | <b>439,834</b>                    | <b>446,638</b>              | <b>215,297</b>              |

  

|                    | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2021<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2020<br/>£</b> |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Grants received    | 20,001                              | 182,431                           | 202,432                     | 135,882                     |
| Fundraising        | -                                   | -                                 | -                           | -                           |
| Donations received | 12,865                              | -                                 | 12,865                      | 8,545                       |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>32,866</b>                       | <b>182,431</b>                    | <b>215,297</b>              | <b>144,427</b>              |

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**4 INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES**

|                                    | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Total<br>2022<br>£ |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Play Rangers service delivery fees | 67,629                     | -                        | 67,629             |
| Other income                       | 139                        | -                        | 139                |
| Total                              | <u>67,768</u>              | <u>-</u>                 | <u>67,768</u>      |

|                                    | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Total<br>2021<br>£ |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Play Rangers service delivery fees | 17,591                     | -                        | 17,591             |
| Training workshops                 | -                          | -                        | -                  |
| Other income                       | 124                        | -                        | 124                |
| Total                              | <u>17,715</u>              | <u>-</u>                 | <u>17,715</u>      |

**5 GOVERNMENT GRANTS**

The government grants recognised in the accounts were as follows:

|                                                      | Total<br>2022<br>£ | Total<br>2021<br>£ |
|------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Sport England Potentials Fund                        | -                  | 48,161             |
| Erasmus (funding from EU)                            | 4,127              | -                  |
| HAF via Glos Gateway                                 | 2,400              | -                  |
| Glos CountyCcl Covid Prevention Fund                 | 18,389             | -                  |
| Govt Kickstart scheme via Glos County Council        | 5,014              | -                  |
| Youth Investment Fund via Children In Need           | 46,053             | -                  |
| Gloucestershire CC HAF Grant                         | 92,024             | -                  |
| National Lottery Community Fund RC South West Region | 40,804             | -                  |
| National Lottery Covid Emergency Fund                | -                  | 73,097             |
| Sport England Covid Fund                             | -                  | 1,194              |
| Gloucester County Council Covid Fund                 | -                  | 19,974             |
| Gloucester City Council Grants                       | -                  | 590                |
| HMRC Furlough scheme                                 | 1,429              | 19,501             |
|                                                      | <u>210,240</u>     | <u>162,517</u>     |

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**6 DIRECT COSTS FOR PLAY RANGER TEAMS**  
**Current Year**

|                          | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2022<br/>£</b> |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Salaries                 | 4,849                               | 130,937                           | 135,786                     |
| Pensions                 | 146                                 | 7,500                             | 7,646                       |
| Payroll bureau           | 157                                 | -                                 | 157                         |
| Insurances               | 869                                 | 3,456                             | 4,325                       |
| Training                 | 1,351                               | 2,400                             | 3,751                       |
| Phones & admin           | 948                                 | 586                               | 1,534                       |
| Office & storage         | -                                   | -                                 | -                           |
| Equipment and activities | 1,694                               | 49,454                            | 51,148                      |
| Transport & travel       | 3,019                               | 12,900                            | 15,919                      |
| Publicity                | 1,171                               | -                                 | 1,171                       |
| DBS checks               | 496                                 | 54                                | 550                         |
| Staff uniform            | 1,605                               | 365                               | 1,970                       |
| ICT                      | 607                                 | 36                                | 643                         |
| Depreciation             | 8,336                               | -                                 | 8,336                       |
| Sundry                   | 1,170                               | 139                               | 1,309                       |
|                          | <u>26,418</u>                       | <u>207,827</u>                    | <u>234,245</u>              |

**Comparative year**

|                          | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2021<br/>£</b> |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Salaries                 | 14,545                              | 105,343                           | 119,888                     |
| Pensions                 | -                                   | 6,949                             | 6,949                       |
| Payroll bureau           | 157                                 | -                                 | 157                         |
| Insurances               | 2,580                               | 1,492                             | 4,072                       |
| Training                 | 381                                 | 2,766                             | 3,147                       |
| Phones & admin           | 538                                 | 915                               | 1,453                       |
| Office & storage         | 198                                 | -                                 | 198                         |
| Equipment and activities | 5,623                               | 43,010                            | 48,633                      |
| Transport & travel       | 564                                 | 6,545                             | 7,109                       |
| Publicity                | 86                                  | 830                               | 916                         |
| DBS checks               | 162                                 | -                                 | 162                         |
| Staff uniform            | -                                   | 361                               | 361                         |
| ICT                      | -                                   | 796                               | 796                         |
| Depreciation             | 7,158                               | -                                 | 7,158                       |
| Sundry                   | 151                                 | -                                 | 151                         |
|                          | <u>32,143</u>                       | <u>169,007</u>                    | <u>201,150</u>              |

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**7 SUPPORT COSTS**

| <b>Current Year</b>     | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2022<br/>£</b> |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Rent and rates          | - 1,357                             | 8,229                             | 6,872                       |
| Maintenance             | 96                                  | 75                                | 171                         |
| Office costs            | 843                                 | 324                               | 1,167                       |
| Information technology  | 385                                 | 1,027                             | 1,412                       |
| Bank charges            | 57                                  | 38                                | 95                          |
| Life Insurance          | -                                   | -                                 | -                           |
| Salaries                | 2,046                               | 17,678                            | 19,724                      |
| HR                      | -                                   | -                                 | -                           |
|                         | <u>2,070</u>                        | <u>27,371</u>                     | <u>29,441</u>               |
| <b>Comparative year</b> | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2021<br/>£</b> |
| Rent and rates          | 96                                  | 6,818                             | 6,914                       |
| Maintenance             | 111                                 | -                                 | 111                         |
| Office costs            | 411                                 | 161                               | 572                         |
| Information technology  | 494                                 | 125                               | 619                         |
| Bank charges            | 65                                  | -                                 | 65                          |
| Life Insurance          | -                                   | -                                 | -                           |
| Salaries                | 8,188                               | 8,792                             | 16,980                      |
| HR                      | -                                   | 1,080                             | 1,080                       |
|                         | <u>9,365</u>                        | <u>16,976</u>                     | <u>26,341</u>               |

**8 GOVERNANCE COSTS**

|                         | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2022<br/>£</b> |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Independent examination | 720                                 | -                                 | 720                         |
| Accountancy             | 1,000                               | -                                 | 1,000                       |
| Professional fees       | -                                   | -                                 | -                           |
|                         | <u>1,720</u>                        | <u>-</u>                          | <u>1,720</u>                |
|                         | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2021<br/>£</b> |
| Independent examination | -                                   | -                                 | -                           |
| Accountancy             | 600                                 | -                                 | 600                         |
| Professional fees       | 364                                 | 486                               | 850                         |
|                         | <u>964</u>                          | <u>486</u>                        | <u>1,450</u>                |

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**9 TRUSTEES REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES, AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

Neither the management committee nor any persons connected with them received any remuneration or reimbursed expenses during the year (2021: Nil).

Aggregate donations from related parties were £0 (2021: £1,020).

There are no donations from related parties which are outside the normal course of business and no restricted donations from related parties.

No trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity, including guarantees, during the year (2021: £nil).

**10 STAFF**

No remuneration was paid to the trustees in the year, nor were any expenses reimbursed to them. The staff costs were:

|                       | <b>2022</b>    | 2021           |
|-----------------------|----------------|----------------|
|                       | £              | £              |
| Wages and salaries    | 145,668        | 132,128        |
| Social security costs | 9,842          | 4,740          |
| Pension costs         | 7,646          | 6,949          |
|                       | <u>163,156</u> | <u>143,817</u> |

**Number of employees**

|                                                                                     | <b>2022</b> | 2021     |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|----------|
| The average monthly number of full-time equivalent employees during the period was: |             |          |
| Charitable activities                                                               | 5           | 4        |
| Administration                                                                      | 1           | 1        |
| Total                                                                               | <u>6</u>    | <u>5</u> |

The average number of employees during the year was 6.

No employee has employee benefits in excess of £60,000 (2021: Nil).

The key management personnel of the charity comprise the Trustees and the Chief Executive Director of Play. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £37,395 (2021: £37,403).

**11 NET INCOME EXPENDITURE**

This is stated after charging:

|                            | <b>2022</b> | 2021  |
|----------------------------|-------------|-------|
|                            | £           | £     |
| Depreciation               | 8,336       | 7,158 |
| Trustees' remuneration     | -           | -     |
| Trustees' expenses         | -           | -     |
| Independent examiner's fee | 600         | 600   |
| Operating leases - rent    | 6,114       | 6,060 |

**12 CORPORATION TAX**

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within Chapter 3 of Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the charity.

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**13 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

|                       | Property<br>improvements | Computer<br>Equipment | Office<br>Equipment | Motor<br>Vehicles | Total          |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| <b>COST</b>           |                          | £                     | £                   | £                 | £              |
| As at 1 April 2021    | 20,003                   | 11,773                | 12,636              | 89,225            | 133,637        |
| Additions             | 2,940                    | 1,069                 | -                   | 46,000            | 50,009         |
| As at 31 March 2022   | <u>22,943</u>            | <u>12,842</u>         | <u>12,636</u>       | <u>135,225</u>    | <u>183,646</u> |
| <b>DEPRECIATION</b>   |                          |                       |                     |                   |                |
| As at 1 April 2021    | 10,844                   | 10,248                | 10,189              | 89,225            | 120,506        |
| Charge for the year   | 5,091                    | 815                   | 1,472               | 958               | 8,336          |
| As at 31 March 2022   | <u>15,935</u>            | <u>11,063</u>         | <u>11,661</u>       | <u>90,183</u>     | <u>128,842</u> |
| <b>NET BOOK VALUE</b> |                          |                       |                     |                   |                |
| As at 31 March 2021   | <u>9,159</u>             | <u>1,525</u>          | <u>2,447</u>        | <u>-</u>          | <u>13,131</u>  |
| As at 31 March 2022   | <u>7,008</u>             | <u>1,779</u>          | <u>975</u>          | <u>45,042</u>     | <u>54,804</u>  |

**14 DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

|               | 2021<br>£      | 2021<br>£    |
|---------------|----------------|--------------|
| Trade debtors | 157,058        | 31           |
| Prepayments   | 5,626          | 5,413        |
|               | <u>162,684</u> | <u>5,444</u> |

**15 CREDITORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

|                              | 2022<br>£     | 2021<br>£     |
|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Creditors                    | 3,455         | 5,757         |
| Accruals and deferred income | 6,844         | 1,948         |
| Taxation and social security | 2,545         | 2,165         |
| Other creditors              | 887           | 810           |
|                              | <u>13,731</u> | <u>10,680</u> |

**16 DEFERRED INCOME**

|                                 | 2022<br>£    | 2021<br>£ |
|---------------------------------|--------------|-----------|
| Deferred income brought forward | -            | -         |
| Income received                 | 4,000        | -         |
| Deferred income carried forward | <u>4,000</u> | <u>-</u>  |

This is money paid in advance by the Virtual School to fund emergency play nurture one-to-one interventions, for example if a child is at risk of exclusion.

**17 OTHER COMMITMENTS**

The total of future minimum lease payments under two operating leases, are detailed in the following table:

|               | <b>Land and Buildings</b> |              |
|---------------|---------------------------|--------------|
|               | 2022<br>£                 | 2021<br>£    |
| Within 1 year | <u>1,593</u>              | <u>1,515</u> |

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**18 PENSION AND OTHER POST- RETIREMENT BENEFIT COMMITMENTS**

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The pension charge represents contributions payable by the company to the fund.

|                                                   | <b>2022</b>   | 2021         |
|---------------------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|
|                                                   | £             | £            |
| Defined Contribution                              |               |              |
| Contributions payable by the company for the year | <u>10,008</u> | <u>6,949</u> |

**19 VOLUNTEERS**

Play Gloucestershire had 2 adult general volunteers who helped out at play sessions on an occasional basis during 2021-22; they are always in addition to paid staff and are there to provide extra support with activities and act as role models. There is also a very successful Young Volunteers programme, with 21 volunteers aged 10 - 18. They help run activities, tidy up, provide positive role models and we provide training and mentoring for them.

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**20 STATEMENT OF FUNDS**

| Current Year                         | Balance at<br>1 April 2021<br>£ | Incoming<br>Resources<br>£ | Outgoing<br>Resources<br>£ | Transfer<br>£ | Balance at<br>31 March 2022<br>£ |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|
| <b><u>Restricted Funds:</u></b>      |                                 |                            |                            |               |                                  |
| NHS CCG                              | -                               | 50,000                     | (49,573)                   | -             | 427                              |
| Glos County Ccl Covid Prevention Fur | -                               | 18,389                     | (18,389)                   | -             | -                                |
| Gloucestershire Gateway Trust        | 1,808                           | 30,000                     | (23,647)                   | -             | 8,161                            |
| Sport England Potentials Fund        | 6,482                           | -                          | (6,492)                    | 10            | -                                |
| Henry Smith Charity                  | 8,381                           | -                          | (8,381)                    | -             | -                                |
| Kickstart grant                      | -                               | 5,014                      | (4,755)                    | -             | 259                              |
| HAF via Glos Gateway                 | -                               | 2,400                      | (2,400)                    | -             | -                                |
| Podsmead Big Local                   | -                               | 6,488                      | (6,488)                    | -             | -                                |
| Youth Investment Fund                | -                               | 46,053                     | (57)                       | 46,000        | 4                                |
| GoC Nailsworth                       | 498                             | -                          | 498                        | -             | -                                |
| National Lottery Community Fund SW   | -                               | 40,804                     | (14,050)                   | 699           | 26,055                           |
| Gloucestershire Community Foundati   | -                               | 4,535                      | -                          | 2,940         | 1,595                            |
| Erasmus                              | 3,156                           | 4,127                      | (2,470)                    | -             | 4,813                            |
| GoC Coney Hill                       | 2,609                           | -                          | (1,044)                    | -             | 1,565                            |
| GoC Ruspidge                         | 4,180                           | -                          | (1,045)                    | -             | 3,135                            |
| Glos County C HAF Grant              | - 10,325                        | 92,024                     | (80,325)                   | -             | 1,374                            |
| Glos Disability Fund                 | 1,625                           | -                          | (1,625)                    | -             | -                                |
| Awards for all                       | 8,131                           | -                          | (8,131)                    | -             | -                                |
| National Lottery Covid Emergency Fu  | 1,521                           | -                          | (1,549)                    | 28            | -                                |
| Thriving Communities Grant           | 5,876                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 5,876                            |
| MidCounties Co-operative             | 68                              | -                          | (68)                       | -             | -                                |
| Active Gloucestershire               | 3,000                           | -                          | (3,000)                    | -             | -                                |
| GoC Cirencester                      | 1,046                           | -                          | (1,046)                    | -             | -                                |
| Together in Matson                   | 185                             | -                          | (165)                      | -             | 20                               |
| NHS CCG Kingsway project             | -                               | 75,000                     | -                          | -             | 75,000                           |
| NHS CCG Schools project              | -                               | 65,000                     | -                          | -             | 65,000                           |
|                                      | 38,241                          | 439,834                    | (235,198)                  | (49,601)      | 193,276                          |
| <b><u>Unrestricted Funds:</u></b>    |                                 |                            |                            |               |                                  |
| <b><u>Designated Funds:</u></b>      |                                 |                            |                            |               |                                  |
| Vehicle Fund                         | 20,000                          | -                          | -                          | -             | 20,000                           |
| Play Equipment Fund                  | 10,325                          | -                          | -                          | -             | 10,325                           |
| Uniforms Fund                        | 5,000                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 5,000                            |
| Office Equipment Fund                | 5,000                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 5,000                            |
| Fixed Asset Reserves Fund            | -                               | -                          | -                          | 54,804        | 54,804                           |
|                                      | 40,325                          | -                          | -                          | 54,804        | 95,129                           |
| General Fund                         | 58,656                          | 74,572                     | (30,208)                   | (5,203)       | 97,817                           |
| <b>Unrestricted Funds</b>            | 98,981                          | 74,572                     | (30,208)                   | 49,601        | 192,946                          |
| <b>Total Funds</b>                   | 137,222                         | 514,406                    | (265,406)                  | -             | 386,222                          |

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| Comparative Year                    | Balance at<br>1 April 2020<br>£ | Incoming<br>Resources<br>£ | Outgoing<br>Resources<br>£ | Transfer<br>£ | Balance at<br>31 March 2021<br>£ |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|
| <b>Restricted Funds:</b>            |                                 |                            |                            |               |                                  |
| Forest Voluntary Action Forum       | -                               | 563                        | (563)                      | -             | -                                |
| Glos Community Foundation           | -                               | 9,174                      | (8,475)                    | - 699         | -                                |
| Gloucestershire Gateway Trust       | -                               | 10,000                     | (8,192)                    | -             | 1,808                            |
| Sport England Potentials Fund       | - 1,187                         | 48,161                     | (40,492)                   | -             | 6,482                            |
| Henry Smith Charity                 | 7,500                           | 10,000                     | (9,119)                    | -             | 8,381                            |
| Barnwood Trust                      | -                               | 2,000                      | (2,000)                    | -             | -                                |
| Wales & West Utilities Safe & Warm  | -                               | 1,350                      | (1,350)                    | -             | -                                |
| Podsmead Big Local                  | -                               | 4,363                      | (4,363)                    | -             | -                                |
| Glos City Council Grants            | -                               | 590                        | (570)                      | - 20          | -                                |
| GoC Nailsworth                      | 498                             | -                          | -                          | -             | 498                              |
| Sport England Covid Support Grants  | -                               | 1,194                      | (1,194)                    | -             | -                                |
| Erasmus                             | 8,434                           | -                          | (5,278)                    | -             | 3,156                            |
| GoC Coney Hill                      | 2,609                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 2,609                            |
| GoC Ruspidge                        | 4,180                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 4,180                            |
| Glos County C HAF Grant             | -                               | -                          | (10,325)                   | - -           | 10,325                           |
| Glos Disability Fund                | -                               | 1,625                      | -                          | -             | 1,625                            |
| Awards for all                      | 8,131                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 8,131                            |
| National Lottery Covid Emergency Fu | -                               | 73,097                     | (71,207)                   | - 369         | 1,521                            |
| Thriving Communities Grant          | 5,876                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 5,876                            |
| MidCounties Co-operative            | 1,780                           | -                          | (1,712)                    | -             | 68                               |
| Active Gloucestershire              | 4,500                           | -                          | (1,500)                    | -             | 3,000                            |
| GoC Cirencester                     | 1,046                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 1,046                            |
| Together in Matson                  | -                               | 340                        | (155)                      | -             | 185                              |
| Glos County C Covid Support Grants  | -                               | 19,974                     | (19,974)                   | -             | -                                |
|                                     | 43,367                          | 182,431                    | - 186,469                  | - 1,088       | 38,241                           |
| <b>Unrestricted Funds:</b>          |                                 |                            |                            |               |                                  |
| <b>Designated Funds:</b>            |                                 |                            |                            |               |                                  |
| Vehicle Fund                        | 20,000                          | -                          | -                          | -             | 20,000                           |
| Play equipment Fund                 | 10,325                          | -                          | -                          | -             | 10,325                           |
| Uniforms Fund                       | 5,000                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 5,000                            |
| Office Equipment Fund               | 5,000                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 5,000                            |
|                                     | 40,325                          | -                          | -                          | -             | 40,325                           |
| General Fund                        | 49,459                          | 50,581                     | (42,472)                   | 1,088         | 58,656                           |
| <b>Unrestricted Funds</b>           | 89,784                          | 50,581                     | (42,472)                   | 1,088         | 96,981                           |
|                                     | -                               | -                          | -                          | -             | -                                |
| <b>Total Funds</b>                  | 133,151                         | 233,012                    | (228,941)                  | -             | 137,222                          |

**Restricted Funds:****NHS CCG**

Grant to fund 12 month Play Nurture Plus project to bring play nurture to more schools across Gloucester to help support children post-Covid.

**Glos County Ccl Covid Prevn**

Grant to run Stepping Out and Play Nurture sessions for children needing extra support.

**Gloucestershire Gateway Trust**

Funds core costs.

**Henry Smith Charity**

Grant to support core costs during development of new work, following Business Plan.

**Kickstart**

Grant to cover costs of employing and training a new member of staff on 28 hrs/week

**HAF Grant via Glos Gateway**

Grant to support play sessions with midday hot meal.

**Youth Investment Fund**

Grant to purchase an electric 8-seater vehicle for transporting children to and from the Play Sanctuary.

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|                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                      |
|----------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Podsmead Big Local</b>                                | Grant funding for play sessions in Podsmead, Gloucester                                                                                                              |
| <b>GoC Nailsworth</b>                                    | Growing our Communities grant: delivered sessions delayed by Covid.                                                                                                  |
| <b>National Lottery Community Fund South West Region</b> | Grant funding a three-year project offering regular, targeted Play Nurture support to children within 1 mile of the Play Sanctuary.                                  |
| <b>Gloucestershire Community Fdn</b>                     | Grant to supply and fit heat pump to the Play Sanctuary.                                                                                                             |
| <b>Erasmus</b>                                           | PG is participant in PAClife project using volunteering to help young people overcome adverse circumstances                                                          |
| <b>GoC Coney Hill</b>                                    | Growing our Communities Fund for Coney Hill; still delivering sessions delayed by Covid                                                                              |
| <b>GoC Ruspidge</b>                                      | Growing our Communities Fund for Ruspidge; still delivering sessions delayed by Covid                                                                                |
| <b>County Ccl HAF Grant</b>                              | Grant to provide active play sessions with a hot meal for children during school holidays.                                                                           |
| <b>Glos Disability Fund</b>                              | Grant for Bags of Play during Covid and for sensory play items for Play Nurture.                                                                                     |
| <b>Awards for all</b>                                    | Year round play sessions in Ayland Gardens; paused due to Covid (resumed Sept 21)                                                                                    |
| <b>National Lottery Covid Emergency Fund</b>             | Grant to support charity for 6 months during Covid emergency 2020-2021. This amount is for salaries paid in arrears and core costs paid in advance.                  |
| <b>Thriving Communities Grant</b>                        | Project to support local communities to set up their own play sessions. Paused due to Covid.                                                                         |
| <b>MidCounties Co-Operative</b>                          | Grant to buy rewards for Young Volunteers when they hit target hours volunteered.                                                                                    |
| <b>Active Gloucestershire</b>                            | Grant towards supporting work with Volunteers.                                                                                                                       |
| <b>GoC Cirencester</b>                                   | Growing our Communities Fund for Cirencester; still delivering sessions delayed by Covid.                                                                            |
| <b>Together In Matson</b>                                | Funding for large flasks and for soup and rolls for holiday play sessions.                                                                                           |
| <b>NHS CCG Kingsway Project</b>                          | Grant for 2 year project to run after-school play sessions, school Play Nurture sessions and holiday play sessions across Kingsway, Gloucester.                      |
| <b>NHS CCG Play Nurture Plus Project</b>                 | Grant for 2 year project to help schools develop and run their own Play Nurture sessions, train Play Champions in schools and promote the benefits of child-led play |
| <b><u>General fund -</u></b>                             | Targeted as 3-6 months running costs which is approximately £60 - 120k.                                                                                              |
| <b><u>Designated Funds:</u></b>                          |                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Vehicle Fund -</b>                                    | The vehicle fund is for the repair and maintenance of motor vehicles held and a replacement scheme.                                                                  |
| <b>Equipment Funds -</b>                                 | The equipment funds are for the replacement of office and play equipment held.                                                                                       |
| <b>Uniform Fund -</b>                                    | To provide for uniforms.                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Fixed Asset Reserves Fund -</b>                       | Designated fund for the net book value of fixed assets, representing funds not freely available to be spent on the operating costs of the charity                    |

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**21 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS**

|                                                    | <b>General<br/>Fund</b> | <b>Designated<br/>Funds</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds</b> | <b>2022<br/>Total</b> |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
|                                                    | <b>£</b>                | <b>£</b>                    | <b>£</b>                    | <b>£</b>              |
| Fund balances at 31 March 2022 are represented by: |                         |                             |                             |                       |
| Tangible fixed assets                              | -                       | 54,804                      | -                           | 54,804                |
| Current assets                                     | 111,548                 | 40,325                      | 193,276                     | 345,149               |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year     | (13,731)                | -                           | -                           | (13,731)              |
| <b>Total</b>                                       | <b>97,817</b>           | <b>95,129</b>               | <b>193,276</b>              | <b>386,222</b>        |

  

|                                                    | <b>General<br/>Fund</b> | <b>Designated<br/>Funds</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds</b> | <b>2021<br/>Total</b> |
|----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
|                                                    | <b>£</b>                | <b>£</b>                    | <b>£</b>                    | <b>£</b>              |
| Fund balances at 31 March 2021 are represented by: |                         |                             |                             |                       |
| Tangible fixed assets                              | 13,131                  | 0                           | 0                           | 13,131                |
| Current assets                                     | 56,205                  | 40,325                      | 38,241                      | 134,771               |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year     | (10,680)                | -                           | -                           | (10,680)              |
| <b>Total</b>                                       | <b>58,656</b>           | <b>40,325</b>               | <b>43,367</b>               | <b>137,222</b>        |

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# Accounts

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**PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE**

**COMPANY NUMBER 6260058**

**REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER 1126562**

**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2021**

PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE

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PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE  
COMPANY INFORMATION  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

|                                  |                                                                                   |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Trustees &amp; directors:</b> | Matthew Arthur<br>Louise Holder<br>Diane Mautterer<br>Jenni Wilson<br>Chloe Booth |
| <b>Key management personnel:</b> | Pip Levett                                                                        |
| <b>Secretary:</b>                | Helen Logan                                                                       |
| <b>Registered office:</b>        | Unit R7-R9<br>City Works<br>Alfred Street<br>Gloucester<br>GL1 4DF                |
| <b>Principal office:</b>         | Unit R7-R9<br>City Works<br>Alfred Street<br>Gloucester<br>GL1 4DF                |
| <b>Company number:</b>           | 06260058                                                                          |
| <b>Charity number:</b>           | 1126562                                                                           |
| <b>Independent examiner:</b>     | Patrick Morrello ACA<br>Holyoak House<br>Hanover Street<br>Manchester<br>M60 0AS  |
| <b>Bankers:</b>                  | Barclays Bank plc<br>Leicester<br>Leicestershire<br>LE87 2BB                      |

PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE  
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

The Trustees (who are also directors for the purposes of company law) present their report and the financial statements for the year. Included within the trustees' report is the directors' report as required by company law.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 2 to the accounts and comply with the Charity's Memorandum and Articles of Association, in accordance with Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities SORP (FRS102) and the Companies Act 2006.

### **Structure, Governance and Management**

#### **Governing Document**

Play Gloucestershire is a charitable company limited by guarantee governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association dated 25th May 2007, and amended by written resolution on 9 October 2008. The charitable company was registered with the Charity Commission on 4 November 2008. There are currently five members who are Trustees, each of whom agree to contribute a sum not exceeding £10 in the event of the company winding up.

#### **Trustees**

As set out in the Articles of Association, there must be at least three Trustees. The five Trustees are those people notified to Companies House as the Directors of Play Gloucestershire.

#### **Methods Used to Recruit and Appoint New Trustees**

If the trustees identify the need for new trustees – due to resignations, or the need for one or more trustees with specific skills – they will agree what skills, experience and knowledge are needed and agree a recruitment process, complying with the charity's governing documents.

#### **Trustee Induction and Training**

Play Gloucestershire have a Trustee induction programme that includes briefings on legal obligations under company and charity law, the contents of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, decision making processes, financial performance and introductions to key employees and other Trustees. Trustees are encouraged to attend appropriate training events to facilitate the undertaking of their role.

#### **Trustees**

The Trustees who held office during the period were as follows:

Louise Holder  
Diane Mautterer  
Matthew Arthur  
Jenni Wilson  
Chloe Booth

#### **Organisation:**

The board of Trustees hold teleconference meetings as required and meet face to face each quarter. They have appointed a Chief Executive Officer (known as the 'Director of Play') to manage the day-to-day operations of the charitable company. To facilitate effective operations, the Director of Play has delegated authority, within the terms of delegation approved by the Trustees, for operational matters including finance, employment and all play delivery.

### **Risk Management**

The Trustees are developing a risk management strategy which will include an annual review of the risks the charity may face and the establishment of systems and procedures to mitigate those risks identified. It will also include procedures to follow to minimise any potential impact on the charity should those risks materialise.

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**Objectives and Activities**

The objects of the charity are:

To advance in life and help young people up to the age of 19 through:

(a) The provision of recreational and leisure time activities provided in the interest of social welfare, designed to improve their conditions of life.

(b) Providing support and activities which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities to enable them to participate in society as mature and responsible individuals.

The charity has a shared vision of happy and healthy childhoods full of outdoor play. Play Gloucestershire is a charity, which believes that playing outdoors is an essential part of a happy, healthy childhood, and at the heart of a nurturing community. We provide fun, adventurous and inclusive opportunities for local outdoor play, to transform children's lives and help them build active, positive futures.

The main areas of activity used to achieve these objectives are:

To provide free open access play opportunities for all in parks and public open spaces (Community Play Rangers)

To provide volunteering and playwork opportunities for young people

To encourage children and families to move more and eat well

To provide outdoor play for therapeutic benefit (Play Nurture)

To promote children's play and develop playful communities (play advocacy)

**Achievements, Performance, Finances and Future Plans**

This is the year that we have had to come to terms with living and working in a pandemic. It is an extraordinary 12 months to reflect on. Our focus has been clear throughout – emergency support for the children and families that need us most and charity survival. When Government restrictions forced us to stop all play delivery at the end of March 2020, we had no idea that it would be 16 months before we would be able to deliver open access community play again – the very foundations of our existence as a charity.

By the start of April, due to lockdown, our income streams were drying up fast (play delivery generates much of our income) and 15 staff were placed on furlough, leaving a team of three staff to work closely with the charity's trustees to plot a course through the Covid-19 storm.

This was a challenge like never before, and together the remaining staff and trustees focused on emergency support and survival. A Covid specific strategic plan was quickly implemented that worked to protect Play Gloucestershire's very core – our purpose, our people (children, families, volunteers, staff, trustees) and our principles. It required us to be flexible and balance risks with the undoubted benefits of outdoor play. We needed to find new ways of connecting with the children and families who needed us most and were experiencing emotional and economic hardship exacerbated by the pandemic. Children always need to play and especially through a pandemic. Our understanding that play helps children overcome adversity, build resilience and make sense of the world around them became a driving force for our responses.

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Play Gloucestershire excels in innovative, adaptive and creative thinking and so whilst fighting for charity survival, the 'Bags of Play' idea was born. Why not get play resources out to children and families in need of a playful boost? So that's what we did. A Bags of Play appeal and grants from local funders, including Gloucestershire Community Foundation, who have been incredible, supporting us throughout the pandemic, meant that by the summer 1,500 Bags of Play had been distributed across the county with help from local community partners including volunteer bag packers from Gloucester Services and the Early Help team. As the year progressed, further funding was secured and by the year end a staggering 2,525 households had received a bag of play delivered to their door.

In parallel to this amazing achievement, we requested emergency support from The National Lottery Community Fund and HM Government through their Coronavirus Community Support Fund. Support from the Lottery was pivotal – without a grant we could only survive with significant restructure which would restrict our ability to serve the children and families who need us most at the time when they most needed our help. We planned for two scenarios – a bright future with or without Lottery Support.

Thankfully, we were awarded £73,097 for our Play 2 Recover project – not only supporting leadership, strategic development and fundraising costs, but enabling us to deliver therapeutic playwork for small groups of children, provide more bags of play, share daily playful ideas on our social media platforms as the 'Virtual Play Rangers' and support our Young Volunteers. This six-month funding was a lifeline. It ensured the support to children and families during the pandemic as well as giving us a solid foundation to plan for the future post Covid.

In early July 2020 on the back of our reputation for excellent play delivery we were contacted by Gloucestershire County Council's Children and Young People's Hub. They asked us what we could do to provide emotional support for children with social care interventions over the summer. Our Play Nurture approach was the perfect response and the lead commissioner told us "Get your people off furlough, we need them!". The Play Team were un-furloughed, spent a training day together working out an adapted, Covid safe way to resume play sessions and some of Gloucestershire's most vulnerable children enjoyed a much-needed summer of play. The staff have been incredible throughout and at a time when many organisations had withdrawn to virtual services, the Play Team were desperate to get back out there in the frontline. It has stood us in good stead, the quality of the play-work has further enhanced our reputation with the commissioning team and further work has been awarded as a direct consequence.

The pandemic did impact the final year of our Sport England funded My Park project. Up to that point, the project was flying with committed Park Activists meeting our team in their local parks on a weekly basis, making them better places for recreation and social gatherings. Sport England's support during this year has been terrific and continued funding enabled us to trial a new, adapted approach called Stepping Out. The Stepping Out sessions (aka Walk-Talk-Play) involved playful, Covid safe, socially distanced walks around local communities, promoting the Five Ways to Wellbeing. It was another example of our innovative thinking and many isolated young people enjoyed some prime time in small groups with their kind and caring Play Rangers. It's an approach that has subsequently been funded and there is huge potential to use it as a Covid recovery tool for children struggling to regain their equilibrium. The My Park project sadly ended before we were able to resume open access community play sessions, although the My Park team did manage to take 26 Park Activists on a really good day out to celebrate the project's successes.

As we reflect on a year like no other and look to the future, it is clear that in the midst of adversity we have found new opportunities. It has brought the very best out of Play Gloucestershire and underpinned our reputation for innovation, agility and resilience whilst always placing the needs of our most vulnerable children and families first. Our targeted support has been tried, tested and been found to provide children with exactly what they need to support them through the Covid storm. Managing change throughout the year has been an exhausting process. The staff have stepped up to serve the children and communities who have needed them most and we have immense pride in what we have achieved together through tough times. New and exciting projects are underway, including 'Play Nurture Plus', funded by Gloucestershire CCG – to equip both children and schools with the skills and tools needed to prevent mental health difficulties and improve wellbeing and resilience through play.

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for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

There is a growing appreciation of the value of play as a core part of children's recovery from the pandemic. Play Gloucestershire have developed a plethora of approaches, both community and school based, that support childhood wellbeing. Along with our further enhanced reputation, and lessons learned along the way, we intend to be here for our communities for the generations to come. We continue to plan for both the immediate and longer-term future of Play Gloucestershire and the communities we serve. The lessons learned have underpinned our reputation for delivery, reliability and value and are embedded in our succession plans.

**Going Concern**

Over the last 14 years the Play Gloucestershire team have consistently proved their ability to adapt and change rapidly to evolving circumstances whilst keeping our play mission central to all activity. We have built a low core cost model, with only one member of the team non-child facing, and the whole team led by the Play Director always placing the needs of the children and communities first, no matter what the circumstances. We have a long and exemplary track record for play delivery, quality, reliability and value.

There is high demand for our services as we continue to operate through the pandemic. Demand is met through commissioning and grants with several large-scale projects this year. We are currently working with NHS Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) on a 'Play Nurture Plus' programme in 20 schools across the county, and are in discussion to extend this programme. Our new three year Lottery funded project called 'Play 2 Nurture' starts in January 2022 giving us a solid financial base during this period. We are also participating in the Government funded Holiday Activity Fund (HAF) programme over the next two years, providing food and fun for children on free school meals during school holidays. Gloucestershire County Council's Early Help Team have also re-commissioned our 'Playful Transitions' approach – giving support to children in transition to secondary school.

Other projects put on hold due to the pandemic have resumed such as ERASMUS PACLife. Community play funders have all returned; we have a full programme of after school delivery and there is a strong demand for community play during the holidays. We delivered some of the prepaid sessions postponed due to Covid during the Summer 2021 and plan to deliver the small number of remaining holiday sessions by September 2022.

We have been successful in moving towards a model of '50:50' Community Play: Play Nurture as identified in our strategic plan called 'More Play Please' and this brings our finances to a sustainable position. The Trustees are happy that Play Gloucestershire is a going concern.

**Public Benefit**

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

As a charity, Play Gloucestershire provides public benefit to local communities by providing free play and recreational activities to children. These free play activities are targeted at children living in disadvantaged areas, rural isolated communities and vulnerable children and their families.

**Reserves policy**

The policy of the charity is to maintain adequate general reserves at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure. The trustees consider that general reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the Charity's activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised.

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Reserves as at 31 March 2021 were as follows:

|                           |               |                       |
|---------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
|                           | £             | £                     |
| <u>Restricted Funds</u>   |               | 38,241                |
| <u>Unrestricted Funds</u> |               |                       |
| General Funds             | 58,656        |                       |
| Designated Funds          | <u>40,325</u> |                       |
|                           |               | 98,981                |
| <b>Total funds</b>        |               | <b><u>137,222</u></b> |

**Statement of trustees' responsibilities**

The trustees (who are also directors of Play Gloucestershire 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 Charities SORP;
- 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. 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.

On behalf of the board of trustees and directors

*Matthew Arthur*

Matthew Arthur  
Chair of Trustees

Date: 17 / 12 / 2021

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT  
TO THE TRUSTEES OF  
PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE

I report on the accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2021 set out on pages 8 to 20.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Charities Act") and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b)) of the Charities Act, and
- to 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 the 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 130 of the Charities Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Acthave 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.



Patrick Morrello ACA  
Third Sector Accountancy Limited  
Holyoake House  
Hanover Street  
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M60 0AS

Date: 17 / 12 / 2021

## PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
(including Income and Expenditure Account)

for the Year Ended 31 March 2021

|                                    | Notes | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>2021<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>2021<br>£ | Total<br>Funds<br>2021<br>£ | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>2020<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>2020<br>£ | Total<br>Funds<br>2020<br>£ |
|------------------------------------|-------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Income from:</b>                |       |                                    |                                  |                             |                                    |                                  |                             |
| Donations                          | 3     | 32,866                             | 182,431                          | 215,297                     | 8,544                              | 135,883                          | 144,427                     |
| Charitable Activities              | 4     | 17,715                             | -                                | 17,715                      | 77,467                             | -                                | 77,467                      |
| <b>Total</b>                       |       | <u>50,581</u>                      | <u>182,431</u>                   | <u>233,012</u>              | <u>86,011</u>                      | <u>135,883</u>                   | <u>221,894</u>              |
| <b>Expenditure on:</b>             |       |                                    |                                  |                             |                                    |                                  |                             |
| <b>Charitable activities</b>       |       |                                    |                                  |                             |                                    |                                  |                             |
| Direct costs for play ranger teams | 6     | 32,143                             | 169,007                          | 201,150                     | 53,233                             | 119,374                          | 172,607                     |
| Support costs                      | 7     | 9,365                              | 16,976                           | 26,341                      | 25,819                             | 3,390.00                         | 29,209                      |
| Governance costs                   | 8     | 964                                | 486                              | 1,450                       | 1,350                              | -                                | 1,350                       |
| <b>Total</b>                       |       | <u>42,472</u>                      | <u>186,469</u>                   | <u>228,941</u>              | <u>80,402</u>                      | <u>122,764</u>                   | <u>203,166</u>              |
| <b>Net income (expenditure)</b>    | 11    | 8,109                              | (4,038)                          | 4,071                       | 5,609                              | 13,119                           | 18,728                      |
| Transfer between funds             |       | 1,088                              | (1,088)                          | -                           | 772.00                             | - 772.00                         | -                           |
| <b>Net movement in funds</b>       |       | <u>9,197</u>                       | <u>(5,126)</u>                   | <u>4,071</u>                | <u>6,381</u>                       | <u>12,347</u>                    | <u>18,728</u>               |
| <b>Reconciliation of funds</b>     |       |                                    |                                  |                             |                                    |                                  |                             |
| Total funds brought forward        | 19    | 89,784                             | 43,367                           | 133,151                     | 83,403                             | 31,020                           | 114,423                     |
| <b>Total funds carried forward</b> | 19    | <u><u>98,981</u></u>               | <u><u>38,241</u></u>             | <u><u>137,222</u></u>       | <u><u>89,784</u></u>               | <u><u>43,367</u></u>             | <u><u>133,151</u></u>       |

PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE  
Company number 6260058

BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 March 2021

|                                     | Notes | £              | 2021<br>£             | £              | 2020<br>£             |
|-------------------------------------|-------|----------------|-----------------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| <b>FIXED ASSETS</b>                 |       |                |                       |                |                       |
| Tangible assets                     | 13    |                | 13,131                |                | 19,091                |
| <b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>               |       |                |                       |                |                       |
| Stock                               |       | -              | -                     |                |                       |
| Debtors                             | 14    | 5,444          |                       | 19,752         |                       |
| Cash at bank                        |       | 129,327        |                       | 107,747        |                       |
|                                     |       | <u>134,771</u> |                       | <u>127,499</u> |                       |
| <b>CREDITORS</b>                    |       |                |                       |                |                       |
| Amounts falling due within one year | 15    | <u>10,680</u>  |                       | <u>13,439</u>  |                       |
| <b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>           |       |                | 124,091               |                | 114,060               |
| <b>NET ASSETS</b>                   |       |                | <u><u>137,222</u></u> |                | <u><u>133,151</u></u> |
| <b>RESERVES</b>                     |       |                |                       |                |                       |
| Restricted Funds                    | 19    |                | 38,241                |                | 43,367                |
| Unrestricted Funds                  | 19    |                |                       |                |                       |
| General Funds                       |       | 58,656         |                       | 49,459         |                       |
| Designated Funds                    |       | <u>40,325</u>  |                       | <u>40,325</u>  |                       |
|                                     |       |                | 98,981                |                | 89,784                |
|                                     | 19    |                | <u><u>137,222</u></u> |                | <u><u>133,151</u></u> |

The notes on pages 10 to 20 form part of these accounts.

For the year ended 31 March 2021 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its accounts for the year in question in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

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

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

These accounts were approved by the trustees on 17 / 12 / 2021 and are signed on their behalf by:

*Matthew Arthur*

Matthew Arthur  
Chair of Trustees

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**1 COMPANY INFORMATION**

The company is limited by guarantee, registered in England and Wales; it is also a registered charity (number 1126562) whose activities are intended to be for the public benefit. Its registered office is Unit R7-R9, City Works, Alfred Street, Gloucester, GL1 4DF.

**2 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) issued in October 2019 - Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Companies Act 2006.

The charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note.

**Going concern**

After making enquiries, the directors are not aware of any material uncertainties that cast doubt on going concern and they have a reasonable expectation that the company will be able to continue its activities for the foreseeable future, and at least twelve months from the date of approval of these accounts. Accordingly, they have continued to adopt the going concern basis in the financial statements.

More information can be found in the Trustees Report.

**Income from Charitable activities**

Income from services provided were included in incoming resources in the year in which the relevant service takes place.

**Donations**

Income from donations and grants is included in incoming resources when these are receivable.

**Expenditure**

Expenditure is included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of any VAT which cannot be recovered.

Expenditure which is directly attributable to specific activities has been included in these cost categories. Where costs are attributable to more than one activity, they have been apportioned across the cost categories on a basis consistent with the use of these resources.

**Charitable activities**

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

**Governance costs**

Governance costs comprise those costs associated with meeting the constitutional and statutory requirements of the charity.

**Tangible fixed assets**

Fixed assets are capitalised at cost and are depreciated over their estimated useful economic lives on a straight line basis as follows:

|                       |             |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| Computer equipment    | 33% on cost |
| Office equipment      | 25% on cost |
| Motor vehicles        | 25% on cost |
| Property improvements | 25% on cost |

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**Leasing**

Rentals are classed as operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor. These costs are charged to the income and expenditure account as incurred.

**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.

**Pension**

The charity operates a defined contribution stakeholder pension scheme. Contributions are charged in the accounts as they become payable in accordance with the rules of the scheme. All contributions are charged to a main pool, each employee does not have a separate account in their name.

**Fund accounting**

Funds held by the charity are either:

Unrestricted general funds - these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees: or

Designated general funds - these are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects that have been set aside by the trustees for a specific purpose: or

Restricted funds - these are funds that can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the Charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for specific activities.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

**3 DONATIONS**

|                    | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2021<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2020<br/>£</b> |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Grants received    | 20,001                              | 182,431                           | 202,432                     | 135,882                     |
| Fundraising        | -                                   | -                                 | -                           | -                           |
| Donations received | 12,865                              | -                                 | 12,865                      | 8,545                       |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>32,866</b>                       | <b>182,431</b>                    | <b>215,297</b>              | <b>144,427</b>              |
|                    | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2020<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2019<br/>£</b> |
| Grants received    | -                                   | 135,882                           | 135,882                     | 135,882                     |
| Fundraising        | -                                   | -                                 | -                           | -                           |
| Donations received | 8,544                               | 1                                 | 8,545                       | 8,545                       |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>8,544</b>                        | <b>135,883</b>                    | <b>144,427</b>              | <b>115,857</b>              |

**4 INCOME FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES**

|                                    | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2021<br/>£</b> |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Play Rangers service delivery fees | 17,591                              | -                                 | 17,591                      |
| Other income                       | 124                                 | -                                 | 124                         |
| <b>Total</b>                       | <b>17,715</b>                       | <b>-</b>                          | <b>17,715</b>               |

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|                                    | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Total<br>2020<br>£ |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Play Rangers service delivery fees | 77,295                     | -                        | 77,295             |
| Training workshops                 | -                          | -                        | -                  |
| Other income                       | 172                        | -                        | 172                |
| Total                              | <u>77,467</u>              | <u>-</u>                 | <u>77,467</u>      |

## 5 GOVERNMENT GRANTS

The government grants recognised in the accounts were as follows:

|                                       | Total<br>2021<br>£ | Total<br>2020<br>£ |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Sport England Potentials Fund         | 48,161             | 42,485             |
| Northleach Parish Council             | -                  | 1,044              |
| Willesley Parish Council              | -                  | 999                |
| Erasmus                               | -                  | 9,225              |
| Police and Crime Commissioner         | -                  | 1,933              |
| Longborough Parish Council            | -                  | 1,051              |
| Awards For All                        | -                  | 9,757              |
| Thriving Communities Grant            | -                  | 6,829              |
| Cirencester Town Council              | -                  | 1,000              |
| Cotswold District Council             | -                  | 1,000              |
| National Lottery Covid Emergency Fund | 73,097             |                    |
| Sport England Covid Fund              | 1,194              | -                  |
| Gloucester County Council Covid Fund  | 19,974             | -                  |
| Gloucester City Council Grants        | 590                |                    |
| HMRC Furlough scheme                  | 19,501             | -                  |
|                                       | <u>162,517</u>     | <u>75,323</u>      |

## 6 DIRECT COSTS FOR PLAY RANGER TEAMS Current Year

|                          | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Total<br>2021<br>£ |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Salaries                 | 14,545                     | 105,343                  | 119,888            |
| Pensions                 | -                          | 6,949                    | 6,949              |
| Payroll bureau           | 157                        | -                        | 157                |
| Insurances               | 2,580                      | 1,492                    | 4,072              |
| Training                 | 381                        | 2,766                    | 3,147              |
| Phones & admin           | 538                        | 915                      | 1,453              |
| Office & storage         | 198                        | -                        | 198                |
| Equipment and activities | 5,623                      | 43,010                   | 48,633             |
| Transport & travel       | 564                        | 6,545                    | 7,109              |
| Publicity                | 86                         | 830                      | 916                |
| DBS checks               | 162                        | -                        | 162                |
| Staff uniform            | -                          | 361                      | 361                |
| ICT                      | -                          | 796                      | 796                |
| Depreciation             | 7,158                      | -                        | 7,158              |
| Sundry                   | 151                        | -                        | 151                |
|                          | <u>32,143</u>              | <u>169,007</u>           | <u>201,150</u>     |

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| Comparative year         | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£          | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£          | Total<br>2021<br>£          |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Salaries                 | 13,237                              | 116,855                           | 130,092                     |
| Pensions                 | 7,325                               | -                                 | 7,325                       |
| Payroll bureau           | 157                                 | -                                 | 157                         |
| Insurances               | 4,313                               | -                                 | 4,313                       |
| Training                 | 3,969                               | 394                               | 4,363                       |
| Phones & admin           | 1,017                               | 421                               | 1,438                       |
| Office & storage         | 30                                  | 130                               | 160                         |
| Equipment and activities | 6,327                               | 936                               | 7,263                       |
| Transport & travel       | 8,176                               | 52                                | 8,228                       |
| Publicity                | 287                                 | 455                               | 742                         |
| DBS checks               | 501                                 | -                                 | 501                         |
| Staff uniform            | 640                                 | 131                               | 771                         |
| Depreciation             | 7,193                               | -                                 | 7,193                       |
| Sundry                   | 61                                  | -                                 | 61                          |
|                          | <u>53,233</u>                       | <u>119,374.00</u>                 | <u>172,607.00</u>           |
| <b>7 SUPPORT COSTS</b>   |                                     |                                   |                             |
| <b>Current Year</b>      | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2021<br/>£</b> |
| Rent and rates           | 96                                  | 6,818                             | 6,914                       |
| Maintenance              | 111                                 | -                                 | 111                         |
| Office costs             | 411                                 | 161                               | 572                         |
| Information technology   | 494                                 | 125                               | 619                         |
| Bank charges             | 65                                  | -                                 | 65                          |
| Life Insurance           | -                                   | -                                 | -                           |
| Salaries                 | 8,188                               | 8,792                             | 16,980                      |
| HR                       | -                                   | 1,080                             | 1,080                       |
|                          | <u>9,365</u>                        | <u>16,976</u>                     | <u>26,341</u>               |
| <b>Comparative year</b>  | <b>Unrestricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Restricted<br/>Funds<br/>£</b> | <b>Total<br/>2020<br/>£</b> |
| Rent and rates           | 5,400                               | 660                               | 6,060                       |
| Maintenance              | 143                                 | 2,150                             | 2,293                       |
| Office costs             | 597                                 | 580                               | 1,177                       |
| Information technology   | 307                                 | -                                 | 307                         |
| Bank charges             | 114                                 | -                                 | 114                         |
| Life Insurance           | 67                                  | -                                 | 67                          |
| Salaries                 | 18,111                              | -                                 | 18,111                      |
| HR                       | 1,080                               | -                                 | 1,080                       |
|                          | <u>25,819</u>                       | <u>3,390</u>                      | <u>29,209</u>               |

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**8 GOVERNANCE COSTS**

|                         | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Total<br>2021<br>£ |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| Independent examination | 600                        | -                        | 600                |
| Accountancy             | 364                        | 486                      | 850                |
| Professional fees       | -                          | -                        | -                  |
|                         | <u>964</u>                 | <u>486</u>               | <u>1,450</u>       |
|                         | Unrestricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Restricted<br>Funds<br>£ | Total<br>2020<br>£ |
| Independent examination | -                          | -                        | -                  |
| Accountancy             | 500                        | -                        | 500                |
| Professional fees       | 850                        | -                        | 850                |
|                         | <u>-</u>                   | <u>-</u>                 | <u>-</u>           |
|                         | <u>1,350</u>               | <u>-</u>                 | <u>1,350</u>       |

**9 TRUSTEES REMUNERATION AND EXPENSES, AND RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

Neither the management committee nor any persons connected with them received any remuneration or reimbursed expenses during the year (2020: Nil).

Aggregate donations from related parties were £1,020 (2020: £1,020).

There are no donations from related parties which are outside the normal course of business and no restricted donations from related parties.

No trustee or other person related to the charity had any personal interest in any contract or transaction entered into by the charity, including guarantees, during the year (2020: £nil).

**10 STAFF**

No remuneration was paid to the trustees in the year, nor were any expenses reimbursed to them. The staff costs were:

|                                                                                     | 2021<br>£      | 2020<br>£      |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| Wages and salaries                                                                  | 132,128        | 136,119        |
| Social security costs                                                               | 4,740          | 6,042          |
| Pension costs                                                                       | 6,949          | 7,325          |
|                                                                                     | <u>143,817</u> | <u>149,486</u> |
| <b>Number of employees</b>                                                          | <b>2021</b>    | <b>2020</b>    |
| The average monthly number of full-time equivalent employees during the period was: |                |                |
| Charitable activities                                                               | 4              | 5              |
| Administration                                                                      | 1              | 1              |
| Total                                                                               | <u>5</u>       | <u>6</u>       |

The average number of employees during the year was 10.

No employee has employee benefits in excess of £60,000 (2020: Nil).

The key management personnel of the charity comprise the Trustees and the Chief Executive Director of Play. The total employee benefits of the key management personnel of the charity were £37,403 (2020: same).

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**11 NET INCOME EXPENDITURE**

This is stated after charging:

|                            | <b>2021</b> | 2020     |
|----------------------------|-------------|----------|
|                            | <b>£</b>    | <b>£</b> |
| Depreciation               | 7,158       | 7,193    |
| Trustees' remuneration     | -           | -        |
| Trustees' expenses         | -           | -        |
| Independent examiner's fee | 600         | 500      |
| Operating leases - rent    | 6,060       | 6,060    |

**12 CORPORATION TAX**

The charity is exempt from tax on income and gains falling within Chapter 3 of Part 11 of the Corporation Tax Act 2010 or Section 256 of the Taxation of Chargeable Gains Act 1992 to the extent that these are applied to its charitable objects. No tax charges have arisen in the charity.

**13 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

|                       | <b>Property<br/>improvements</b> | <b>Computer<br/>Equipment</b> | <b>Office<br/>Equipment</b> | <b>Motor<br/>Vehicles</b> | <b>Total</b>   |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------|
| <b>COST</b>           |                                  | <b>£</b>                      | <b>£</b>                    | <b>£</b>                  | <b>£</b>       |
| As at 1 April 2020    | 20,003                           | 10,575                        | 12,636                      | 89,225                    | 132,439        |
| Additions             |                                  | 1,198                         | -                           | -                         | 1,198          |
| As at 31 March 2021   | <u>20,003</u>                    | <u>11,773</u>                 | <u>12,636</u>               | <u>89,225</u>             | <u>133,637</u> |
| <b>DEPRECIATION</b>   |                                  |                               |                             |                           |                |
| As at 1 April 2020    | 5,875                            | 9,620                         | 8,628                       | 89,225                    | 113,348        |
| Charge for the year   | 4969                             | 628                           | 1,561                       | -                         | 7,158          |
| As at 31 March 2021   | <u>10,844</u>                    | <u>10,248</u>                 | <u>10,189</u>               | <u>89,225</u>             | <u>120,506</u> |
| <b>NET BOOK VALUE</b> |                                  |                               |                             |                           |                |
| As at 31 March 2020   | <u>14,128</u>                    | <u>955</u>                    | <u>4,008</u>                | <u>-</u>                  | <u>19,091</u>  |
| As at 31 March 2021   | <u>9,159</u>                     | <u>1,525</u>                  | <u>2,447</u>                | <u>-</u>                  | <u>13,131</u>  |

**14 DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

|               | <b>2021</b>  | 2020          |
|---------------|--------------|---------------|
|               | <b>£</b>     | <b>£</b>      |
| Trade debtors | 31           | 14,375        |
| Prepayments   | 5,413        | 5,377         |
|               | <u>5,444</u> | <u>19,752</u> |

**15 CREDITORS : AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR**

|                              | <b>2021</b>   | 2020          |
|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
|                              | <b>£</b>      | <b>£</b>      |
| Creditors                    | 5,757         | 2,037         |
| Accruals and deferred income | 1,948         | 8,381         |
| Taxation and social security | 2,165         | 2,221         |
| Other creditors              | 810           | 800           |
|                              | <u>10,680</u> | <u>13,439</u> |

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**16 OTHER COMMITMENTS**

The total of future minimum lease payments under two operating leases, are detailed in the following table:

|               | <b>Land and Buildings</b> |              |
|---------------|---------------------------|--------------|
|               | <b>2021</b>               | <b>2020</b>  |
|               | <b>£</b>                  | <b>£</b>     |
| Within 1 year | <u>1,515</u>              | <u>1,515</u> |

**17 PENSION AND OTHER POST- RETIREMENT BENEFIT COMMITMENTS**

The company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately separately from those of the company in an independently administered fund. The pension charge represents contributions payable by the company to the fund.

|                                                   | <b>2021</b>  | <b>2020</b>  |
|---------------------------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
|                                                   | <b>£</b>     | <b>£</b>     |
| Defined Contribution                              |              |              |
| Contributions payable by the company for the year | <u>6,949</u> | <u>7,325</u> |

**18 VOLUNTEERS**

Play Gloucestershire had 1 adult general volunteers who helped out at play sessions on an occasional basis during 2020-21; they are always in addition to paid staff and are there to provide extra support with activities and act as role models. There is also a very successful Young Volunteers programme, with 15 volunteers aged 10 - 18. They help run activities, tidy up, provide positive role models and we provide training and mentoring for them.

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**19 STATEMENT OF FUNDS**

Current Year

|                                     | Balance at<br>1 April 2020<br>£ | Incoming<br>Resources<br>£ | Outgoing<br>Resources<br>£ | Transfer<br>£ | Balance at<br>31 March 2021<br>£ |           |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|-----------|
| <b>Restricted Funds:</b>            |                                 |                            |                            |               |                                  |           |
| Forest Voluntary Action Forum       | -                               | 563                        | (563)                      | -             | -                                |           |
| Glos Community Foundation           | -                               | 9,174                      | (8,475)                    | 699           | -                                |           |
| Gloucestershire Gateway Trust       | -                               | 10,000                     | (8,192)                    | -             | 1,808                            | *See Note |
| Sport England Potentials Fund       | -                               | 1,187                      | (40,492)                   | -             | 6,482                            |           |
| Henry Smith Charity                 | 7,500                           | 10,000                     | (9,119)                    | -             | 8,381                            | *See Note |
| Barnwood Trust                      | -                               | 2,000                      | (2,000)                    | -             | -                                |           |
| Wales & West Utilities Safe & Warm  | -                               | 1,350                      | (1,350)                    | -             | -                                |           |
| Podsmead Big Local                  | -                               | 4,363                      | (4,363)                    | -             | -                                |           |
| Glos City Council Grants            | -                               | 590                        | (570)                      | 20            | -                                |           |
| GoC Nailsworth                      | 498                             | -                          | -                          | -             | 498                              |           |
| Sport England Covid Support Grants  | -                               | 1,194                      | (1,194)                    | -             | -                                |           |
| Erasmus                             | 8,434                           | -                          | (5,278)                    | -             | 3,156                            |           |
| GoC Coney Hill                      | 2,609                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 2,609                            |           |
| GoC Ruspidge                        | 4,180                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 4,180                            |           |
| Glos County C HAF Grant             | -                               | -                          | (10,325)                   | -             | 10,325                           |           |
| Glos Disability Fund                | -                               | 1,625                      | -                          | -             | 1,625                            |           |
| Awards for all                      | 8,131                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 8,131                            |           |
| National Lottery Covid Emergency Fu | -                               | 73,097                     | (71,207)                   | 369           | 1,521                            | *See Note |
| Thriving Communities Grant          | 5,876                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 5,876                            |           |
| MidCounties Co-operative            | 1,780                           | -                          | (1,712)                    | -             | 68                               |           |
| Active Gloucestershire              | 4,500                           | -                          | (1,500)                    | -             | 3,000                            |           |
| GoC Cirencester                     | 1,046                           | -                          | -                          | -             | 1,046                            |           |
| Together in Matson                  | -                               | 340                        | (155)                      | -             | 185                              |           |
| Glos County C Covid Support Grants  | -                               | 19,974                     | (19,974)                   | -             | -                                |           |
|                                     | 43,367                          | 182,431                    | (186,469)                  | (1,088)       | 38,241                           |           |

**Unrestricted Funds:****Designated Funds:**

|                       |        |   |   |   |        |
|-----------------------|--------|---|---|---|--------|
| Vehicle Fund          | 20,000 | - | - | - | 20,000 |
| Play equipment Fund   | 10,325 | - | - | - | 10,325 |
| Uniforms Fund         | 5,000  | - | - | - | 5,000  |
| Office Equipment Fund | 5,000  | - | - | - | 5,000  |
|                       | 40,325 | - | - | - | 40,325 |

|              |        |        |          |       |        |
|--------------|--------|--------|----------|-------|--------|
| General Fund | 49,459 | 50,581 | (42,472) | 1,088 | 58,656 |
|--------------|--------|--------|----------|-------|--------|

|                           |        |        |          |       |        |
|---------------------------|--------|--------|----------|-------|--------|
| <b>Unrestricted Funds</b> | 89,784 | 50,581 | (42,472) | 1,088 | 98,981 |
|---------------------------|--------|--------|----------|-------|--------|

|                    |         |         |           |   |         |
|--------------------|---------|---------|-----------|---|---------|
| <b>Total Funds</b> | 133,151 | 233,012 | (228,941) | - | 137,222 |
|--------------------|---------|---------|-----------|---|---------|

Comparative Year

|                               | Balance at<br>1 April 2019<br>£ | Incoming<br>Resources<br>£ | Outgoing<br>Resources<br>£ | Transfer<br>£ | Balance at<br>31 March 2020<br>£ |  |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|----------------------------------|--|
| <b>Restricted Funds:</b>      |                                 |                            |                            |               |                                  |  |
| Freemasons Fund               | 966                             | -                          | (966)                      | -             | -                                |  |
| Mickleton Youth Project       | -                               | 2,375                      | (2,375)                    | -             | -                                |  |
| Gloucestershire Gateway Trust | -                               | 20,000                     | (20,000)                   | -             | -                                |  |
| Sport England Potentials Fund | -                               | 1,434                      | (42,238)                   | -             | 1,187                            |  |
| Henry Smith Charity           | 4,995                           | 10,000                     | (7,495)                    | -             | 7,500                            |  |
| Northleach Parish Council     | -                               | 1,044                      | (1,044)                    | -             | -                                |  |
| Willersley Parish Council     | -                               | 999                        | (999)                      | -             | -                                |  |
| Podsmead Big Local            | 2,625                           | 8,725                      | (11,350)                   | -             | -                                |  |
| CAF Longlevens & Elmbridge    | -                               | 1                          | -                          | -             | -                                |  |
| GoC Nailsworth                | 997                             | -                          | (499)                      | -             | 498                              |  |
| Nailsworth Charity Fund       | -                               | 499                        | (499)                      | -             | -                                |  |
| Erasmus                       | -                               | 9,225                      | (791)                      | -             | 8,434                            |  |
| GoC Dursley                   | 3,981                           | -                          | (3,981)                    | -             | -                                |  |

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|                                    |        |         |           |       |        |
|------------------------------------|--------|---------|-----------|-------|--------|
| Glos County C via Northway         | 1,472  | -       | (1,472)   | -     | -      |
| GoC Coney Hill                     | 6,262  | -       | (3,653)   | -     | 2,609  |
| Police and Crime Commissioner      | -      | 1,933   | (1,933)   | -     | -      |
| CAF Ruspidge                       | 1      | -       | (1)       | -     | -      |
| GoC Ruspidge                       | 1,488  | 5,747   | (3,055)   | -     | 4,180  |
| Longborough Parish Council         | -      | 1,051   | (1,051)   | -     | -      |
| The Sedbury Trust                  | -      | 1,595   | (1,595)   | -     | -      |
| Zurich Community Trust             | -      | 2,270   | (2,270)   | -     | -      |
| The Summerfield Trust              | 772    | -       | -         | 772   | -      |
| GoC Blakeney & Brean               | 4,999  | -       | (4,999)   | -     | -      |
| Awards for all                     | -      | 9,757   | (1,626)   | -     | 8,131  |
| GoC Longlevens                     | 2,910  | -       | (2,910)   | -     | -      |
| Thriving Communities Grant         | -      | 6,829   | (953)     | -     | 5,876  |
| Circencester Town Council          | -      | 1,000   | (1,000)   | -     | -      |
| MidCounties Co-operative           | -      | 1,780   | -         | -     | 1,780  |
| Active Gloucestershire             | -      | 6,000   | (1,500)   | -     | 4,500  |
| GoC Cirencester                    | -      | 1,568   | (522)     | -     | 1,046  |
| GoC Springbank                     | 987    | -       | (987)     | -     | -      |
| Cotswold DC YAF Grant for Barracks | -      | 1,000   | (1,000)   | -     | -      |
|                                    | 31,020 | 135,883 | (122,764) | - 772 | 43,367 |

**Unrestricted Funds:****Designated Funds:**

|                           |                |                |                  |            |                |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------|----------------|
| Vehicle Fund              | 20,000         | -              | -                | -          | 20,000         |
| Play equipment Fund       | 10,325         | -              | -                | -          | 10,325         |
| Uniforms Fund             | 5,000          | -              | -                | -          | 5,000          |
| Office Equipment Fund     | 5,000          | -              | -                | -          | 5,000          |
|                           | 40,325         | -              | -                | -          | 40,325         |
| General Fund              | 43,078         | 86,011         | (80,402)         | 772        | 49,459         |
| <b>Unrestricted Funds</b> | <b>83,403</b>  | <b>86,011</b>  | <b>(80,402)</b>  | <b>772</b> | <b>89,784</b>  |
|                           |                | -              |                  |            |                |
| <b>Total Funds</b>        | <b>114,423</b> | <b>221,894</b> | <b>(203,166)</b> | <b>-</b>   | <b>133,151</b> |

**Restricted Funds:**

|                                      |                                                                                                                                       |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Freemason Fund</b>                | Supports play sessions in Gloucester and Stroud                                                                                       |
| <b>Mickleton Youth Project</b>       | Grant towards school holiday play sessions                                                                                            |
| <b>Gloucestershire Gateway Trust</b> | Funds core costs; *£10,000 spent - amount remaining is prepayment of core cost items.                                                 |
| <b>Sport England Potentials Fund</b> | Grant towards Potentials Fund project which has given PG the opportunity to contribute towards Sport England's volunteering strategy. |
| <b>Henry Smith Charity</b>           | Grant to support core costs as new areas of work developed. *£10,000 spent - amount remaining is prepayment towards core cost items.  |
| <b>Northleach Parish Council</b>     | Grant towards school holiday play sessions                                                                                            |
| <b>Willersey Parish Council</b>      | Grant towards school holiday play sessions                                                                                            |
| <b>Podsmead Big Local</b>            | Grant funding for play sessions in Podsmead, Gloucester                                                                               |
| <b>CAF Longlevens/Elmbridge</b>      | Local Councillor's Childrens Activity Fund grant used to run sessions in Longlevens; adjustment to clear fund                         |
| <b>GoC Nailsworth</b>                | Growing our Communities Fund for Nailsworth                                                                                           |

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| <b>Nailsworth Charity Fund</b>                | Grant towards school holiday play sessions                                                                                  |
| <b>Erasmus</b>                                | PG is participant in PAClife project using volunteering to help young people overcome adverse circumstances                 |
| <b>GoC Dursley</b>                            | Growing our Communities Fund for Dursley                                                                                    |
| <b>Glos County C via Northway</b>             | Grant towards school holiday play sessions                                                                                  |
| <b>GoC Coney Hill</b>                         | Growing our Communities Fund for Coney Hill                                                                                 |
| <b>Police and Crime Commissioner</b>          | Grant towards play sessions in Ayland Gardens, Gloucester                                                                   |
| <b>CAF Ruspidge</b>                           | Local Councillor's Childrens Activity Fund grant used to run sessions in Ruspidge, Forest of Dean; adjustment to clear fund |
| <b>GoC Ruspidge</b>                           | Growing our Communities Fund for Ruspidge                                                                                   |
| <b>Longborough Parish Council</b>             | Grant to fund school holiday play sessions.                                                                                 |
| <b>The Sedbury Trust</b>                      | Furniture and equipment for The Play Sanctuary                                                                              |
| <b>Zurich Community Fund</b>                  | Grant towards running costs of the Play Sanctuary                                                                           |
| <b>The Summerfield Trust</b>                  | Grant towards the creation of Play Sanctuary in City Works Gloucester                                                       |
| <b>GoC Blakeney &amp; Brean</b>               | Growing our Communities Fund for Blakeney & Brean                                                                           |
| <b>Awards for all</b>                         | Year round play sessions in Ayland Gardens; paused due to Covid (resumed Sept 21)                                           |
| <b>GoC Longlevens</b>                         | Local Councillor's Childrens Activity Fund grant used to run sessions in Chesterton, Cirencester                            |
| <b>Thriving Communities</b>                   | Project to support local communities to start organising their own regular play gatherings.                                 |
| <b>Cirencester Town Council</b>               | Grant funding extra after school play sessions in Abbey grounds.                                                            |
| <b>MidCounties Co-operative</b>               | Grant towards incentives for Young Volunteers rewards scheme.                                                               |
| <b>Active Gloucestershire</b>                 | Grant towards supporting work with volunteers                                                                               |
| <b>GoC Cirencester</b>                        | Growing Our Communities Fund for Cirencester                                                                                |
| <b>GoC Springbank</b>                         | Growing our Communities Fund for Springbank                                                                                 |
| <b>Cotswold DC YAF Grant/Barracks</b>         | Grant to fund school holiday play sessions                                                                                  |
| <b>Forest Voluntary Action Forum</b>          | Grant for 50 Bags of Play.                                                                                                  |
| <b>Gloucestershire Community Foundation</b>   | Grants for equipment to support home/office work during Covid; marketing support refresh of van contents.                   |
| <b>Barnwood Trust</b>                         | Grant for 200 Bags of Play.                                                                                                 |
| <b>Wales&amp;West Util Safe&amp;Warm Fund</b> | Grant for PPE and Covid-related equipment.                                                                                  |
| <b>Gloucester City Council</b>                | Grant for items to improve awareness of Covid mitigation actions.                                                           |
| <b>Sport England Covid Grant</b>              | Grant for Stepping Out sessions; kit and a small amount for office costs.                                                   |
| <b>Together in Matson</b>                     | Grant for 5 big flasks and food for play sessions.                                                                          |

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| <b>Big Lottery Covid Grant</b>      | Grant to support charities work for 6 mths; *£73,097 spent - amount showing is salaries paid in arrears and prepayments on core cost items. |
| <b>Gloucestershire CC HAF grant</b> | Grant to provide Bags of Play, Stepping Out sessions and play sessions with a hot meal during school holidays.                              |
| <b><u>General fund</u> -</b>        | Targeted as 3-6 months running costs which is approximately £45-90k.                                                                        |
| <b><u>Designated Funds:</u></b>     |                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Vehicle Fund -</b>               | The vehicle fund is for the provision of motor vehicles held and a replacement scheme.                                                      |
| <b>Equipment Funds -</b>            | The equipment funds are for the replacement of office and play equipment held.                                                              |
| <b>Uniform Fund -</b>               | To provide for uniforms.                                                                                                                    |

**20 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS**

|                                                    | <b>General Fund</b> | <b>Designated Funds</b> | <b>Restricted Funds</b> | <b>2021 Total</b>  |
|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|
|                                                    | <b>£</b>            | <b>£</b>                | <b>£</b>                | <b>£</b>           |
| Fund balances at 31 March 2021 are represented by: |                     |                         |                         |                    |
| Tangible fixed assets                              | 13,131              | -                       | -                       | 13,131             |
| Current assets                                     | 56,205              | 40,325                  | 38,241                  | 134,771            |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year     | (10,680)            | -                       | -                       | (10,680)           |
| <b>Total</b>                                       | <b>58,656</b>       | <b>40,325</b>           | <b>38,241</b>           | <b>137,222</b>     |
|                                                    | <b>General Fund</b> | <b>Designated Funds</b> | <b>Restricted Funds</b> | <b>2,020 Total</b> |
|                                                    | <b>£</b>            | <b>£</b>                | <b>£</b>                | <b>£</b>           |
| Fund balances at 31 March 2020 are represented by: |                     |                         |                         |                    |
| Tangible fixed assets                              | 19,091              | 0                       | 0                       | 19,091             |
| Current assets                                     | 43,807              | 40,325                  | 43,367                  | 127,499            |
| Creditors: amounts falling due within one year     | (13,439)            | -                       | -                       | (13,439)           |
| <b>Total</b>                                       | <b>49,459</b>       | <b>40,325</b>           | <b>43,367</b>           | <b>133,151</b>     |