



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 April 2024 **Period start date** **To** 31 March 2025 **Period end date**

Charity name: The Ridgeway School

Charity registration number: 1129157

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	To fundraise to provide new facilities, minibuses, equipment and support our pupils.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	The Ridgeway School is an academy special school for children aged 2-19 who have severe and/or profound multiple learning difficulties. <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Provide a pastoral fund for the pupils who attend the school through fundraising.2. Provide new facilities, minibuses and equipment thus improving and supporting T&L of our students.3. Supporting parents and pupils using our trained staff to embed good practice such as behaviour, communication and social skills.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	The trustees comply with the guidance issued by the Charity commission.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	N/A
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	N/A

Other		N/A

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fundraising for a new playground. A purpose built playground was designed for our pupils at a cost of £500,000. A massive fundraising effort was made by our parents and trustees to enable this to happen and all the children across the school are now benefitting. • Music and play Therapy Children who suffer from complex learning and mental disabilities will ultimately have issues with self esteem and confidence. Music therapy has been increasingly acknowledged as a medium to break down barriers surrounding mental health through sharing the varieties on melody and song, whilst building upon social skills, confidence, self-esteem and communication skills. We received funding to support individual children through music therapy and parents have commented how much the children benefit from the experience.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The charity is in a healthy financial position. We fundraise all the money for a project prior to making a commitment.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	-
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	n/a

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed , royal charter)	Para 1.25	Trust Deed
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association , CIO)	Para 1.25	Association
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees are nominated and seconded prior to being voted in.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The Ridgeway School Fund
Other name the charity uses	-
Registered charity number	1129157
Charity's principal address	The Ridgeway School 14 Frensham Road Farnham Surrey GU9 8HB

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Tom Byrne	Chair		
2	Yasmine Prichard	Treasurer		
3	Mel Boag			
4	Natalie Sawtell			
5	Carole Cockburn			
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

[illegible]

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

N/A

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Tom Byrne	Yasmine Prichard
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	
Date	19 January 2026	



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Ridgeway School Fund

1129157

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

01/04/2024

To

31/03/2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Play Therapy	-	-	-	-	1,867
Music Therapy	-	-	-	-	3,509
Just Giving	2,051	-	-	2,051	16,485
Lifelong Learning	-	12,162	-	12,162	-
Minibus	21,000	-	-	-	-
Christmas Fair	2,706	-	-	2,706	9,096
Playground Project	177,957	-	-	177,957	-
Other Donations	4,168	-	-	4,168	671
Interest	3,462	-	-	3,462	1,755
	-	-	-	-	-
AR)	211,344	12,162	-	223,506	33,383
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	211,344	12,162	-	223,506	33,383
A3 Payments					
Fund Raising Strategy	-	-	-	-	2,400
Music Therapy	-	5,000	-	5,000	8,509
Play Therapy	-	-	-	-	1,867
Bank Charges	77	-	-	77	55
Miscellaneous	53	-	-	53	330
Playground	235,907	-	-	235,907	-
Minibus	21,000	-	-	21,000	-
VR Headsets	4,000	-	-	4,000	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	261,037	5,000	-	266,037	13,161
A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	261,037	5,000	-	266,037	13,161
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 49,693	7,162	-	- 42,531	20,222
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	95,708	17,666	-	113,374	80,486
Cash funds this year end	46,015	24,828	-	70,843	100,708

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		46,015	24,828	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	46,015	24,828	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
		Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets	Details			
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of	Ridgeway School Fund		
On accounts for the year ended	31/03/2025	Charity no (if any)	1129157
Set out on pages	1-2		

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2025.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

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

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

Independent
examiner's statement

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

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

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

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

Signed: 

Date: 07/05/2025

Name: Colin Shepherd

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

CPFA

Address:

7 Bryn Road
Wrecclesham, Farnham
Surrey GU10 4PZ

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

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

