

Charity registration number 1129278

Company registration number 06593494 (England and Wales)

MEADOW BROOK PLAYCARE
ANNUAL REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022

MEADOW BROOK PLAYCARE

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Trustees	Mrs S Stewart	
	Mrs M Allen	(Appointed 25 February 2022)
	Mrs Sarah Fisk	
	Mr J Turner-Leeper	(Appointed 25 February 2022)
	Ms R Page	(Appointed 25 February 2022)
	Ms H Podger	(Appointed 25 February 2022)
	Mr D Kemp	(Appointed 25 February 2022)
	Ms M Peachy	(Appointed 25 February 2022)
Charity number	1129278	
Company number	06593494	
Registered office	Blyth House Rendham Road Saxmundham IP17 1WA	
Independent examiner	Carl Page FCCA Ensors Accountants LLP Blyth House Rendham Road Saxmundham IP17 1WA	

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022

The trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 May 2022.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the financial statements and comply with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006 and "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)".

Objectives and activities

The charity's objectives and principal activities as set out in the Memorandum and Articles of Association continue to be that of offering appropriate play, education, care facilities and training courses, together with the right of parents to take responsibility for and to become involved in the activities of such groups, ensuring that such groups offer opportunities for all children whatever their race, culture, religion, means or ability. The policies adopted in furtherance of these objectives remain in place and there has been no change in these during the year.

- The charity enables all families to access quality childcare through the Early Years National Funding (EYNF) for all three years olds and we also offer the additional fifteen hours for working parents. Meadow Brook also accepts the 'golden ticket' given to parents of eligible two year olds.
- Invoicing and pay plans are arranged to assist these families.
- The facilities are advertised to all in the wider community. Open mornings are also held.
- An inclusive environment is created in which all children are encouraged to reach their full potential.

To continue to further the charity's objectives and principal activities and ensure that it is available to the wider community:

- The staff have continued their professional training and updating their knowledge and understanding.
- Other educational professionals have visited the setting and submitted positive reports.
- Staff continue to observe, assess and refer children on for specialist areas.

The trustees have paid due regard to guidance issued by the Charity Commission in deciding what activities the charity should undertake.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022

Achievements and performance

These accounts reflect six years of offering full day care places from birth to five years, for fifty weeks per year. We believe that this is a substantial offering for the local community providing high quality care in a safe and secure environment with highly trained and experienced staff.

During the year, we unfortunately lost some long serving staff members to employments not within the early years sector but welcomed back other staff from maternity leave. We continue to support apprentices to gain their qualification and also welcomed back students from the local colleges during the year.

These accounts reflect the third year of Covid pandemic impact. We did have to close for one day for deep cleaning to take place in late November 2021 as several members of staff all contracted Covid at the same time.

Our capacity is now 127 children. We have now had one full year in our new home occupying the whole of the Children's Centre. We have redecorated most of the rooms and created a much more homely welcoming area embracing the Curiosity approach.

During the late summer months, we were donated a caravan, this has created a different 'Wendy House' for the children to use, explore and develop their imaginary play. We have also increased our outdoor provision by gaining additional ground which is being turned into a young forest with wild flowers and wildlife areas.

In October 2021, we expanded and created a fourth room which is for babies. This room can take five babies which has increased our capacity to 65 children per day. In doing this, we have identified an increase in demand for young babies of around nine months onwards.

Financial review

The accounts show a net surplus for the year of £3,006 (2021: £16,884).

Meadowbrook continues to be the only early years setting within Saxmundham, however, there are other early year providers within the local area with which we compete. As such it is important that we retain sufficient funds to secure our operations and to ensure we can cope if demand fluctuates.

We continue to provide a company pension scheme which has increased our costs and we are of course affected by the National Living Wage increases.

The ongoing effects of the Covid 19 pandemic does provide cause for concern however this risk appears to be reducing.

It is the policy of the charity that unrestricted funds which have not been designated for a specific use should be maintained at a level equivalent to between three and six month's expenditure. The trustees consider that 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 current activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised. This level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year.

The trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed, and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate exposure to the major risks.

Structure, governance and management

Meadow Brook Playcare is a company limited by guarantee in the United Kingdom, registration number 06593494, incorporated on 14 May 2008 and is therefore governed by a Memorandum and Articles of Association. The directors of the company are also trustees of the charity, charity number 1129278. Eligibility for membership of the charity, and membership of the board of trustees is governed by the Memorandum and Articles of Association. There are no restrictions in the governing document on the operation of the charity or on its investment powers, other than those imposed by general charity law.

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TRUSTEES' REPORT (INCLUDING DIRECTORS' REPORT) (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022

The trustees, who are also the directors for the purpose of company law, and who served during the year were:

Mrs S Stewart	
Mrs M Allen	(Appointed 25 February 2022)
Mrs Sarah Fisk	
Mr R Thompson	(Resigned 25 February 2022)
Mrs Stephanie Sillett	(Resigned 25 February 2022)
Mr J Turner-Leeper	(Appointed 25 February 2022)
Ms R Page	(Appointed 25 February 2022)
Ms H Podger	(Appointed 25 February 2022)
Mr D Kemp	(Appointed 25 February 2022)
Ms M Peachy	(Appointed 25 February 2022)

When new or additional trustees are required, the beneficiaries and client organisations are invited to submit nominations, and subject to their compliance with the Memorandum and Articles of Association, they are considered by the governing body of trustees for election.

None of the trustees has any beneficial interest in the company. All of the trustees are members of the company and guarantee to contribute £1 in the event of a winding up.

The trustees' report was approved by the Board of Trustees.



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Mrs M Allen



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Mr J Turner-Leeper

Date: 22/2/23

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

TO THE TRUSTEES OF MEADOW BROOK PLAYCARE

I report to the trustees on my examination of the financial statements of Meadow Brook Playcare (the charity) for the year ended 31 May 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

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

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

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

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



Carl Page FCCA

Ensors Accountants LLP
Blyth House
Rendham Road
Saxmundham
IP17 1WA

Dated:

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDING INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022

		Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £
	Notes		
Income from:			
Charitable activities	3	374,593	346,069
Investments	4	8	35
Total income		374,601	346,104
Expenditure on:			
Charitable activities	5	371,539	329,140
Other	9	56	80
Total expenditure		371,595	329,220
Net income for the year/ Net movement in funds		3,006	16,884
Fund balances at 1 June 2021		260,353	243,469
Fund balances at 31 May 2022		263,359	260,353

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

All income and expenditure derive from continuing activities.

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

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MAY 2022

	Notes	2022 £	£	2021 £	£
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	10		6,709		6,062
Current assets					
Debtors	11	4,949		884	
Cash at bank and in hand		260,099		259,447	
		<u>265,048</u>		<u>260,331</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	12	<u>(8,398)</u>		<u>(6,040)</u>	
Net current assets			256,650		254,291
Total assets less current liabilities			<u>263,359</u>		<u>260,353</u>
Income funds					
Unrestricted funds			263,359		260,353
			<u>263,359</u>		<u>260,353</u>

The company is entitled to the exemption from the audit requirement contained in section 477 of the Companies Act 2006, for the year ended 31 May 2022.


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

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

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

The financial statements were approved by the Trustees on


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Mrs M Allen
Trustee


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Mr J Turner-Leeper
Trustee

Company registration number 06593494

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022

1 Accounting policies

Charity information

Meadow Brook Playcare is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Blyth House, Rendham Road, Saxmundham, IP17 1WA.

1.1 Accounting convention

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the charity's governing document, the Companies Act 2006, FRS 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" ("FRS 102") and the Charities SORP "Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102)" (effective 1 January 2019). The charity is a public benefit entity as defined by FRS 102.

The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows.

The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention. The principal accounting policies adopted are set out below.

1.2 Going concern

At the time of approving the financial statements, the trustees have a reasonable expectation that the charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. Thus the trustees continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements.

1.3 Charitable funds

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the trustees in furtherance of their charitable objectives.

The Charity does not currently have any restricted funds.

1.4 Income

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

Income from donations or grants is recognised when there is evidence of entitlement to the gift, receipt is probable and its amount can be measured reliably.

Charitable activities are measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and represents amounts receivable for goods and services provided in the normal course of business, net of discounts and other sales related taxes.

1.5 Expenditure

Resources expended are accounted for on an accruals basis. Most expenditure is directly appointed to cost categories on the amount attributable to that activity in the year. Charitable activities costs includes costs of preparation of the statutory accounts.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

1.6 Tangible fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost, net of depreciation and any impairment losses.

Depreciation is recognised so as to write off the cost or valuation of assets less their residual values over their useful lives on the following bases:

Land and buildings	10% straight line
Plant and machinery	25% reducing balance

The gain or loss arising on the disposal of an asset is determined as the difference between the sale proceeds and the carrying value of the asset, and is recognised in the statement of financial activities.

1.7 Impairment of fixed assets

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

1.8 Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash in hand, deposits held at call with banks.

1.9 Financial instruments

The charity has elected to apply the provisions of Section 11 'Basic Financial Instruments' and Section 12 'Other Financial Instruments Issues' of FRS 102 to all of its financial instruments.

Financial instruments are recognised in the charity's balance sheet when the charity becomes party to the contractual provisions of the instrument.

Financial assets and liabilities are offset, with the net amounts presented in the financial statements, when there is a legally enforceable right to set off the recognised amounts and there is an intention to settle on a net basis or to realise the asset and settle the liability simultaneously.

Basic financial assets

Basic financial assets, which include debtors and cash and bank balances, are initially measured at transaction price including transaction costs and are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial assets classified as receivable within one year are not amortised.

Basic financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including creditors and bank loans are initially recognised at transaction price unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future payments discounted at a market rate of interest. Financial liabilities classified as payable within one year are not amortised.

Debt instruments are subsequently carried at amortised cost, using the effective interest rate method.

Trade creditors are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of operations from suppliers. Amounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non-current liabilities. Trade creditors are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022

1 Accounting policies

(Continued)

Derecognition of financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are derecognised when the charity's contractual obligations expire or are discharged or cancelled.

1.10 Employee benefits

The cost of any unused holiday entitlement is recognised in the period in which the employee's services are received.

1.11 Retirement benefits

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

2 Critical accounting estimates and judgements

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

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

3 Charitable activities

	2022 £	2021 £
Grants receivable for core activities	198,707	220,343
Playcare fees	175,851	93,446
Coronavirus job retention scheme grants	-	32,160
Uniforms	35	120
	<u>374,593</u>	<u>346,069</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022

4 Investments

	2022	2021
	£	£
Interest receivable	8	35

5 Charitable activities

	2022	2021
	£	£
Staff costs	296,263	275,237
Depreciation and impairment	2,114	2,178
Resources, Ofsted fees and food	30,106	22,476
CRB, recruitment, training and clothing costs	4,258	1,302
Website costs	332	391
Advertising	150	-
Bank charges and sundry expenses	606	1,632
Rent	9,628	9,073
Insurance	674	671
Light, heat and water	8,566	1,533
Waste disposal and cleaning costs	5,580	842
Repairs and maintenance	3,913	2,977
Telephone, postage and stationery	2,757	3,525
Accountancy and professional fees	6,592	7,303
	371,539	329,140
	371,539	329,140

6 Trustees

None of the trustees (or any persons connected with them) received any remuneration during the year, and none of them were reimbursed expenses.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2022

7 Employees

Number of employees

	2022	2021
The average monthly number employees during the year was:	21	19

Employment costs

	2022 £	2021 £
Wages and salaries	277,357	258,245
Social security costs	14,778	13,313
Other pension costs	4,128	3,679
	<u>296,263</u>	<u>275,237</u>

No employees during the year received employee benefits excluding employer pension costs of more than £60,000.

8 Key Management Remuneration

The key management of the charity comprises of the trustees and the manager and duty manager. The total employment benefits for the key management personnel of the school were £53,078 (2021 : £46,423).

9 Other

	Unrestricted funds	Unrestricted funds
	2022	2021
Net loss on disposal of tangible fixed assets	56	80
	<u>56</u>	<u>80</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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10 Tangible fixed assets

	Land and buildings £	Plant and machinery £	Total £
Cost			
At 1 June 2021	2,258	24,025	26,283
Additions	-	2,816	2,816
Disposals	-	(321)	(321)
At 31 May 2022	2,258	26,520	28,778
Depreciation and impairment			
At 1 June 2021	2,034	18,187	20,221
Depreciation charged in the year	224	1,890	2,114
Eliminated in respect of disposals	-	(266)	(266)
At 31 May 2022	2,258	19,811	22,069
Carrying amount			
At 31 May 2022	-	6,709	6,709
At 31 May 2021	224	5,838	6,062

11 Debtors

	2022 £	2021 £
Amounts falling due within one year:		
Trade debtors	904	-
Other debtors	-	103
Prepayments and accrued income	4,045	781
	4,949	884

12 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	2021 £
Other taxation and social security	4,164	2,397
Trade creditors	358	502
Other creditors	17	-
Accruals and deferred income	3,859	3,141
	8,398	6,040

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

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13 Analysis of net assets between funds

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Unrestricted funds 2021 £
Fund balances at 31 May 2022 are represented by:		
Tangible assets	6,709	6,062
Current assets/(liabilities)	256,650	254,291
	<u>263,359</u>	<u>260,353</u>