



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1/9/2024 **Period start date To** 31/8/2025 **Period end date**

Charity name: Freshford Preschool

Charity registration number: 1153406

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	Freshford Preschool works for the public benefit having as its objects the development and education of children and young people by: (1) promoting their care and safety; (2) promoting their education and promoting parental involvement; (3) promoting their health and wellbeing; (4) providing services to support them and their families and carers; (5) providing services to individuals holding membership of the CIO; and (6) furthering the aims of the Early Years Alliance.
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	<p>Freshford Preschool has now been fully operational for sixteen school years. By providing a Preschool within the centre of the village of Freshford we believe we improve the quality of life of both parents and Children locally. The children socialise and bond as a year group which eases the transition of those moving on to Freshford Primary School, just down the road. Parents have a convenient childcare facility close to the village school and the Galleries shop & cafe. In addition, we also attract more children from further afield who go on to other local primary schools. These families are attracted by our ethos, our focus on outdoor learning and Forest School and our rural community setting, which helps to create a very positive learning environment. In December 2022, our preschool was rated as 'Outstanding', as in 2016, which reflects the sustained quality and standards we aim for, from staff, parents, volunteers and children together to create a positive and enjoyable environment.</p> <p>As in previous years, over the 2024/2025 financial year, the Preschool continued to accept the Early Years Entitlement Grant</p>

		<p>from Bath and North East Somerset Council, (including the extended '30 hours' grant for eligible families via the Working Parent Family Fund). The EYE grant covered up to 15 hours of universal childcare per week for all 2,3 and 4 year olds. The Working family grant provided up to 22 hours of funded childcare per week at our setting for eligible 3 and 4 year olds (or '15 hours' per 2 year old). This funding could be used for all sessions without any restrictions. In 2024-2025, the EYE funding was utilised in the following way: In Sept 2024, we had 23 registered children with 9 3-4 year olds receiving the Working family EYE funding, 8 3-4 year olds receiving universal funding, 3 2-year olds on Working family EYE funding and 3 2-year olds being unfunded. In January 2025, we had 27 registered children with 13 3-4 year olds receiving the Working family EYE funding, 12 3-4 year olds receiving universal funding and 2 2-year olds receiving the working family EYE funding.</p> <p>We aim for and believe that the activities at the Preschool have fostered the social, emotional, physical, creative, spiritual and cognitive development needs of each child. The activities have also fulfilled the latest 2024 curriculum guidance for the Early Years Foundation Stage and reflected the interests and ideas of the children, with weekly activities being updated by the staff team from ongoing daily observations of the children and their play. With regards to health and wellbeing, examples of good practice include the children following supervised teeth-brushing after snack time, introduction of & accreditation by SunSafe practices when outside particularly in spring/summer, weekly baking of seasonal snacks for forest school, and activities such as yoga, sports and music – further adventures and events from the year 2024/2025 are outlined in the Section 'Achievements & Performance'.</p> <p>Each family with a child attending the Preschool has the right for one parent or carer to vote at General Meetings of the Preschool, to which they are invited, and to join the Preschool committee and trustees. The Preschool committee fulfils a vital role in ensuring the smooth running of the Preschool throughout the year. During 2024/2025 they carried out a wide range of tasks, all on a voluntary basis including a thorough overhaul of our Employees Handbook and Operational policies and</p>
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		<p>procedures guidelines together with the Business Manager, taking the latest employment legal guidelines and EYFS updates into account; approving pay rises for the salaries of staff members and continuing with the Living Wage Foundation guidance; maintaining the rota of volunteer helpers; repainting the Preschool room, clearing the Preschool garden and organising fundraising events throughout the year.</p> <p>During 2024/2025, the Preschool provided part-time family friendly employment for 5 permanent members of staff and 1 apprentice from the surrounding area. Our apprentice completed her Level 2 Early Years Apprenticeship, and to our delight continued at our setting to start her Level 3 qualification. The Preschool also offered regular supply work to another 5 individuals who live in the local area.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<p>In managing the Preschool, the trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. At the start of the academic year 2024-2025, all Trustees were sent the latest online guidance from the Charity commission as to their roles and responsibilities and this is discussed and taken into account for our decision-making processes throughout our regular meetings in the year.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	No grants were applied for in the year 2024-2025.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	No investments were made or held in the year 2024-2025.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	As in previous years, the contributions of the committee, parents and community volunteers alongside the staff commitment outside of their paid hours are manifold. Without this valuable contribution of time, energy and expertise the successful operation of the Preschool would not be possible. Parent volunteers were welcomed to our outdoor forest school sessions this year which run from our main location from autumn-spring terms and then are located

		on-site at our Freshford Preschool Forest School woodland site in the vicinity. Other parent helpers have assisted in fundraising community events to enable the range of activities offered throughout the year including yoga, music and weekly sport sessions at no additional cost.
Other		The Preschool provides a regular source of income to our premises, Freshford Memorial Hall, as one of the main users, which helps to ensure its own financial security and ongoing maintenance. We ran the bouncy castle/slides again at the annual Freshford & Limpley Stoke village fete in June, raising just over a few hundred pounds for the Hall. We have not made further financial contributions to the Hall renovation fund but are now benefitting from the refurbishments in previous years.

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	<p>During the (pre-)school year of 2024/2025, Freshford Preschool operated successfully for its 16th year. A dedicated and experienced staff team continued to be led by Debbie Giles, with business manager Abby Moore managing all administrative, financial and legal responsibilities necessary for the setting, and a supportive group of Trustees continued to be guided by Chair Rhiannon Meredith and Deputy Chair, Polly Edelston, both preschool parents for the year also.</p> <p>The preschool is a valued part of the village community and through its longstanding reputation and happy children, it attracts families from not just Freshford and the surrounding villages but also further afield. In addition to our main Hall site, we continued to meet at our nearby woodland location from the Easter term onwards for our weekly forest school outings.</p> <p>From a staffing perspective, we started the year with our experienced team of early years practitioners comprised of our Manager, Debbie Giles, two Deputy managers, Kerry Sherlock and Abi Jackson, Gemma Hooley and our Level 2-qualified apprentice, Laura Potter. In September 2024, we held our Inset day training to focus on staff communication within the team to reinforce their strengths and core competencies which we felt was timely and followed from the tech upgrades</p>

		<p>to digital communication with new laptops and tablets from the previous year. Staff regularly update their training with regards to early years skills focused on the children throughout the year, including a conference in October 2024 with early years expert, Alistair Bryce-Clegg. However, the Trustees generously approved additional funding for an external consultant to come in and focus on the staff inset day and bring out their abilities and competencies within the team. Trustees also agreed to co-fund preschool manager, Debbie Giles, as she started her NPQ in Early years Leadership in the autumn, giving her the opportunity to share and enhance her skills and additional responsibilities she carries, training with other Leaders through this continuing professional development course. In addition to regular supply staff used when necessary during the terms, Preschool played host again to a Norland Nanny, Daisy, on placement and offered work experience to two local students interested in childcare careers. One significant change to our staff team at the end of this year was the leaving of one of our longstanding Deputy Managers, to other positions locally with childcare and youth work. Our main Deputy Manager and SENCO lead also stepped aside at the end of the year for personal reasons but the team were delighted to welcome her back as she rejoined our supply staff after the summer break, retaining her level of experience and knowledge of Preschool which benefits children and staff immensely. We successfully recruited for a new Deputy Manager and SENCO lead, Claire Sargent, in the summer term, with her wealth of early years' experience albeit in Reception level primary school children, ready for the next academic year.</p> <p>During the 2024/2025 year, the preschool was near-fully subscribed (23 children) from the Autumn term onwards although we were able to expand to 27 children by the Winter Term and still maintain our 'Best practice' staffing ratios. At the end of the summer term, we ended the preschool year in celebration at our mini-graduation ceremony in the park with 19 children leaving the setting ready to start their primary school journeys.</p> <p>For fundraising initiatives over the course of the year, we aimed to contribute to additional activities for the children's learning, including sports sessions, yoga</p>
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		<p>lessons with a local instructor specifically for children, music sessions tailored for the preschool age group, and excursions to the library and Bath theatre trips via the local train service. Thus, these activities could be offered to all children, irrespective of any additional funding contributions from parents. The autumn and winter terms are particularly busy for fundraising events, and the year started with a revamped Autumn treasure trail using a QR code system and vouchers for the local pub and café for weary parents and toddlers afterwards. November and December brought our fabulous Fireworks cake stall, a hugely successful wreath-making workshop, Christmas card sales, Nativity refreshments and joining forces with the local Freshford primary school's Jingle and Mingle Christmas fair and our Christmas raffle. We held fewer events in the latter half of the year but benefitted from two parents running the Bath Half marathon for sponsorship, and refreshment sales at our annual newcomers summer BBQ to join current and new families together for a social evening in the park by Preschool.</p> <p>The Preschool promotes British Values daily. As part of the focus on self confidence and self-awareness within Personal, Social and Emotional Development, Freshford Preschool staff encourage children to know their views count, to value each other's views, and to talk about their feelings. Staff choose opportunities to demonstrate democracy in action, for example, children sharing views with a show of hands. Staff provide activities that involve turn-taking, sharing and collaboration. Children are given opportunities to develop enquiring minds in an atmosphere where questions are valued. Staff carried out a lot of work this year around PSED, in particular using Emotion Coaching techniques to support children with their behaviours. The children often worked in small groups dedicated to making a Kindness board, agreeing on Friendship rules and using a self-registration rainbow-weather board to indicate their emotions at different points of the preschool day – particularly valuable for non-verbal self-expressions of emotion.</p> <p>A focus on managing feelings and behaviour well has always been central to Freshford Preschool's ethos. Overall high levels of wellbeing and involvement can be seen in the children through both staff</p>
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		<p>observations and the children's day-to-day behaviour: they are confident, relaxed and settled. As part of the focus on people & communities, managing feelings & behaviour and making relationships, the Preschool staff team create an ethos of inclusivity and tolerance where views, faiths, cultures and races are valued and children are engaged with the wider community. The children are encouraged to acquire a tolerance and appreciation of and respect for their own and other cultures. They also learn about similarities and differences between themselves and others from different families, faiths, communities, cultures and traditions, and share and discuss practices, celebrations and experiences. Through circle time activities, staff encourage and explain the importance of tolerant behaviours such as sharing and respecting other's opinions. Staff promote diverse attitudes and challenge stereotypes, for example, sharing stories that reflect and value the diversity of children's experiences and providing resources and activities that challenge gender, cultural and racial stereotyping. We have an annual topic focus on different countries and cultures, where we encourage parents to share their knowledge, experience and artefacts of other countries where they have lived and travelled and children enjoy this input from their respective homes. This year saw celebrations for Chinese New Year through one child's parents' cultural background, French and Spanish lessons with local parents and British celebrations including St David's Day. Highlights of additional activities in 2024-2025 included external visits from the Tropical Discoveries workshop to bring animals and creepy-crawlies (safely) into the setting for the children to get hands-on experience with, and Forensic Frank from Fun Science with rockets and slime aplenty. Regular visits from Daisy and her therapy dog, Basha, were especially welcome and linked into storytelling of 'Hospital Dog', a Julia Donaldson favourite book. Children made a particularly special festive trip into Bath to see the Snow Mouse theatre production and enjoy the Christmas lights, as well as another train trip later in the year to the library in a neighbouring town. Sports sessions, baking, 'sound of the week' sharing tub, and time in the garden and the ever popular sandpit were all regular weekly events as the Preschool year unfolded.</p>
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		<p>Preschool provides parents with access to their child's online learning journal on the Tapestry app. Parents, and also other carers or close family members with permission, can log on securely and view their children's observations and photographs and upload their own observations of WOW moments recorded at home. They also receive daily digests of observations for their child, and their complete learning journal as a downloadable PDF when their child leaves the setting. At the end of each week, the Preschool Manager emails parents a summary of the week and sets out plans for the following week, including updates to activities based on the children's developing ideas and details of visitors or trips planned. In late Spring of this year, parents were asked to anonymously fill in a survey asking them to rate many aspects of preschool life and their child's experiences from the year. This information is discussed by staff team and preschool committee and any recommendations or suggestions proposed can then be implemented in the final term of preschool for their child. From this survey, our major change ready for the year 2025-2026 was an extension to Thursday opening hours for forest school until 3pm, giving rise to a possible 24-hour week of childcare available. Trustees were happy to approve this change with both family and staff-team satisfaction! Overall, results from 2024-2025 continued to show a very high level of satisfaction across the board with the preschool setting and their child's journey through the year.</p>
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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	A fundraising target of £2-2,500 was set by the Trustees. Fundraising brought in a total of £4,093.72, minus expenses of £1,610.57 leaving a net gain of £2,483.15.

Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	NA
Other		

Financial Review

<p>Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period</p>	<p>Para 1.21</p>	<p>At the end of the year 2024-2025, where we navigated significant challenges in the form of changing EYE grants from spring 2025, reviewing our fee structure and changes in staffing, Freshford Preschool remains financially solvent and produced a net surplus of £6,911.12 from an overall turnover of £135,340.40 for the academic year (a surplus of 5.1% on total receipts received). A detailed review of this unplanned level of surplus reveals (i) a higher-than-budgeted level of EYE grant incoming and the summer payment of 1 of the 6 instalments in August in preparation for the September intake, and (ii) a lower than anticipated use of our Staff salary budget, largely for supply staff costs, than we had predicted. In preparing our 2025-2026 budget, we have taken these factors into account where possible for predicting our EYE grant income, particularly with the expanded funding for 2-year olds that is now in place. In addition, we have lowered our anticipated Supply Staff budget from 6% of our permanent staff salary budget to 4% for the coming financial year.</p>
<p>Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held</p>	<p>Para 1.22</p>	<p>Following many discussions with both the management team (Preschool Manager, Business Manager, Chair and Deputy Chair), the finance team (Business Manager, Treasurer and Deputy Chair) and the Trustee committee, our Preschool policy is to keep a minimum reserve of £40,000 which has represented approximately 5 months' worth of expenditure to cover our normal operational costs. This will allow us to meet staff notice periods and redundancy costs if ever needed and will put us in a better position to absorb any temporary fluctuations in income due to unexpected decreases in child numbers or difficulties in bill payments. The Preschool's unrestricted reserves at the year end were £72,432.04 in funds as of 31st August 2025.</p> <p>One additional factor influencing our reserves policy in this last year arose from discussions with Freshford Memorial Hall Trustee committee, from whom we rent our premises. During the year 2024-2025, they began the initial process of investigating a second phase of renovation and building works on the entrance Hall, toilets, kitchen area and Preschool room. We are in regular consultation regarding these plans and potential planning-permission that may</p>

		<p>arise in the period 2025-2026. This may entail additional financial contingency planning for our operation as a setting, similar to that in years 2023-2024 when the main Hall, heating system and glazing was renovated. However, funding applications for these works have yet to be raised so we will review the situation regularly.</p>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	See above.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	<p>We feel strongly that holding zero reserves would place Freshford Preschool in an extremely vulnerable position and unable to buffer potential unexpected costs in the future. To manage the financial risks that could arise from for example, unexpected falls in income, urgent repairs to our equipment and garden, we hold a reserve. This reserve would also enable us to fulfil our obligations to staff salaries and to our families relying on the setting to continue to provide for their childcare needs until our financial situation improved again.</p>
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	We are not currently in deficit in any of our funds.
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<p>The childcare and early years education sector as a whole in the UK has been going through some extremely challenging years on a financial level with many closures and a recruitment crisis for qualified early years practitioners. To mitigate some of these financial uncertainties, we implemented a financial forecasting model from 2023-2024 to help us plan ahead with fee structure, staff salaries and ongoing costs of our activities and required consumables. For staffing needs, we implemented a Trustee-approved change to pay all staff at Living Wage Foundation levels from April 2024 in the previous academic year, which we plan to continue doing so, despite the increased costs. Staff members also received significant pay rises in previous years which we also keep in review to retain and reward our staff team for their excellence and dedication to our setting. We have been fortunate to have high occupancy rates of our available places, along with a dedicated staff team. However, we are aware that this picture can change in response to families' choices and demands for childcare so continue to monitor and manage our operations, utilising our financial forecasting model in particular, and to plan ahead for the future to minimise risks to our setting.</p>

Additional information (optional)

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The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	For the 2024/2025 financial year, the preschool's principal sources of funding were as follows: £ 85,926.58 in Early Years Entitlement grants for children attending, £ 41,955.95 in fees and donations from parents £ 4,093.72 from fundraising events and donations. The principal areas of expenditure were as follows: £ 106,060.45 on staff salaries, pensions and associated overheads, £ 535 on Recruitment, £6,064.44 Hall Hire, £ 2,146.17 on consumables, £ 650.48 on IT (software, web admin & support) £ 117 on insurance & registrations (Ofsted, ICO, EYA) £ 599.98 on buying new items of capital equipment £2441.50 on training, development and welfare
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	The principal risks facing our charity are those facing early years educational settings as a whole, namely the rising costs of providing childcare relative to the grants we receive, keeping our fee structure and setting competitive and responsive to local demand, and the retention and recruitment of qualified and experienced staff. In addition to this, we are aware of a potential renovation project that our premises may undergo for which we will further develop our contingency plan and potential financial costs should it go ahead in coming years. Once, completed, however, this renovation project, would benefit our setting hugely and improve the cosmetic appearance of our entrance way as well as update our toilets, kitchen and storage spaces.
Other		One significant cost that we were able to fund from our reserves in the year 2024-2025 was the replacement of the perimeter fence to our garden at the Hall and replacement of a bark chipping surface in the lower garden. From our regular risk assessments and inspection of the fencing, it became clear we could not wait longer for another season of winter weather, so used a local play equipment contractor to install new fencing and gates along the top area of our split-level garden. With regards to the lower garden, we negotiated with our Hall Trustees who covered the costs of drainage works, which we then re-covered with bark chippings. We anticipate further garden renovation work in the coming years including a multiweather surface,

		new sensory planting areas, new steps and renovated play zones. We will look to fund this from any reserves, grant funding and committee-led fundraising.
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Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	<p>Initial Constitution for Freshford Preschool Charity 1129972 adopted 16th September 2008. Constitution revised and adopted on 13th May 2009, with subsequent revisions on 21st April 2010, 1st November 2010, 21st September 2011, and 16th July 2013.</p> <p>Freshford Preschool Charitable Incorporated Organisation constituted 16th July 2013 and registered with the Charity Commission as Charity 1153406 on 14th August 2013. All activities of Charity number 1129972 transferred to CIO 1153406 by 27th March 2014, on which date Charity 1129972 was dissolved.</p>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Charitable Incorporated Organisation
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	<p>The Officers and Committee members shall be elected for an initial term of two years at the Annual General Meeting. After two years, retiring Officers and Committee members are eligible for re-election for up to 5 terms in total.</p> <p>In the event of the death or resignation of an elected Committee member, the vacancy shall be filled until the next Annual General Meeting by a Member appointed by the Committee. If the Committee feels that extra committee members are needed to provide additional expertise or to fulfil a new committee role, extra committee members may be appointed between AGMs.</p> <p>To encourage parental involvement, at least two thirds of the charity trustees shall normally at the time of election be family members. In the event that this figure cannot be achieved however, the CIO may elect affiliate members to make up the balance of the charity trustees. Parents wishing to join the committee between AGMs may approach the Preschool Chair, Preschool Business Manager, or current committee members and offer their services.</p>

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	Para 1.51	In line with the latest EYFS and Ofsted regulations (Sept 2025), we now request references from each volunteer committee
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Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees		<p>member, in addition to DBS and EY2 verification.</p> <p>Current and new members are given standard Charity commission guidance to refresh and update their knowledge on Trustee roles within a charity https://beingacharitytrustee.campaign.gov.uk/</p>
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	We are a member of the Early Years Alliance, an educational charity and the largest early years membership organisation in England. We subscribe to their latest guidance and viewpoints on a range of subjects including EYFS and Ofsted regulations, and have 24/7 legal assistance available through their LawCall service.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		<p>All current Freshford Preschool Policies and Procedures can be found at http://www.freshfordpreschool.co.uk/policies-and-procedures . These are updated annually and freely available on our website.</p> <p>The Preschool has a Child protection policy in place. DBS criminal record checks are carried out prior to commencement of employment, trusteeship or other regular voluntary work with the Preschool.</p> <p>All trustees give their time as volunteers and receive no remuneration.</p>

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Freshford Preschool
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1153406
Charity's principal address	<p>Freshford Memorial Hall Freshford Lane Freshford, Bath BA2 7UR</p>

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	Rhiannon Meredith	Chair		
2	Jake Westmoreland	Treasurer		
3	Hannah Scott	Secretary		
4	Polly Edelston	Deputy Chair		
5	Emily Barratt	Volunteers coordinator	Until 31/7/2025	
6	Pippa Payne	Committee Member		
7	Emilia Lascelles	Committee Member		
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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

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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

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)

Debbie Giles – Preschool Manager from 1/3/2014, Abby Moore – Business Manager from 15/06/2022

Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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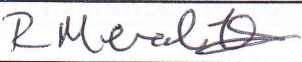
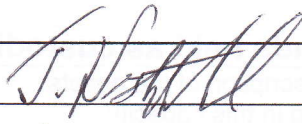
Other optional information

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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)	RHIANNON MEREDITH	JACOB WESTMORELAND
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	TREASURER
Date	13 th November 2025	

FRESHFORD PRESCHOOL (1153406)
Account summary

Section 1 - Receipts and Payments Accounts

	2023-2024			2024-2025		
	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	£	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	£
RECEIPTS						
Registration Payments	£270.00			£510.00		
Early Years Entitlement Grant	£59,755.57			£85,926.58		
EY Pupil Premium	£0.00			£0.00		
Trip contributions	£11.50			£233.50		
Parents Fees and donations						
Gift Aid	£41,794.29			£41,955.95		
Interest	£2,846.18			£2,208.91		
Fundraising	£0.00			£0.00		
Milk	£3,617.20			£4,093.72		
Refunds	£161.87			£176.04		
Uniform	£0.00			£95.40		
Insurance Payments	£91.00			£140.30		
Grants	£443.76			£0.00		
Transfer Between Funds	£1,000.00			£0.00		
	£2,392.36			£0.00		

Receipts for 01/09-31/08

£112,383.73	£0.00	£135,340.40	£0.00
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PAYMENTS

Events and Fundraising Purchases	£2,110.98
Fundraising Expenses	£1,206.25
Fee Refunds	£777.92
Consumables	£2,389.19
Training	£2,363.20
Staff Welfare	£292.50
Staff Salaries, NI, Tax and Pensions	£90,504.82
Advertising and Recruitment	£240.00
Hall Hire and Premises Maintenance	£6,497.79
Garden Project	£0.00
Insurance & Registrations	£1,434.71
Milk	£182.92
IT (Software)	£420.00
Capital Expenditure	£553.95
External Visits	£0.00
Uniform	£192.20

Payments for 01/09-31/08

£109,166.43	£0.00	£128,429.28	£0.00
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DEFICIT/ SURPLUS FOR YEAR

£3,217.30	£0.00	£6,911.12	£0.00
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Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total All Funds
£65,520.92	£0.00	£65,520.92
£6,911.12	£0.00	£6,911.12
£72,432.04	£0.00	£72,432.04

Balance b/f at 1st September 2024
(Deficit) / Surplus for the year
Balance c/f at 31st August 2025

Balance on main bank account at 31st August 2025
Balance on consumables bank account at 31st August 2025

£72,153.44
£278.60
£72,432.04

Section 2 - Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

CASH FUNDS	2024-2025	2024-2025
Main Account	£72,153.44	£0.00
Consumables Account	£278.60	

EQUIPMENT

Category	2023-2024	2024-2025
	New for old replacement cost (£)	New for old replacement cost (£)

Art and craft	£1,061.75	£1,061.75
Forest Schools	£1,857.32	£1,542.32
Furniture & furnishings	£8,698.67	£6,690.67
Hygiene and safety	£563.00	£563.00
ICT	£4,828.29	£4,617.29
Kitchen	£405.00	£340.00
Literacy	£1,375.92	£1,420.73

Music	£859.69	£860.00
Numeracy	£637.18	£643.14
Physical/Outdoor Play & Garden	£11,724.86	£12,248.90
Puzzles and Games	£741.00	£441.00
Role Play	£1,903.91	£2,102.91
Sensory Play	£272.00	£948.99
Small world	£2,415.41	£2,415.41
Stationery and Office	£364.49	£419.82
STEM	£4,865.37	£4,947.37
Woodworking/Construction	£422.34	£370.29
World about us	£94.34	£46.39

Total: £42,890.54 £41,679.98

CURRENT LIABILITIES

2023-2025	2024-2025
Tax – due, not yet paid	£1,173.42 -£1,627.85
Pension – due, not yet paid	£0.00 £0.00
Suppliers – due, not yet paid	£0.00 £0.00
	£1,173.42 -£1,627.85

R. Mervel
Chairman

Date 13th November 2025

T. S. H. H.

Treasurer

Date 18th November 2025



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
Freshford Preschool

On accounts for the year
ended

31st August 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1153406

Set out on pages

One page attached

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

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all 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 in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 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.

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

Signed: *Fiona Meaking*

Date: 11th November 2025

Name: Fiona Baden Meaking BA(Hons) FCA CTA

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

ICAEW and CIOT

Address:

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Section B

Disclosure

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.

None