

Sherwood Play Group
(Registered charity, number 1156146)
Financial statements
for the year ended 31 March 2025

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**Sherwood Play Group
Trustees' annual report
for the year ended 31 March 2025**

Full name Sherwood Play Group

Organisation type Charitable incorporated organisation

Registered charity number 1156146

Principal address

Woodthorpe House, Mansfield Road, Nottingham, NG5 3FN

Trustees

Thulani Molife, Chair

Heidi Alvey

Sarah Kozłowska

Independent examiner

Eva Stevens, employee of Community Accounting Plus, Units 1 & 2 North West, 41 Talbot Street, Nottingham, NG1 5GL

Governance and management

The charity is a CIO Association and operates under its constitution adopted 12/03/14.

Trustees are voted in at a committee meeting and agree to serve and adopt all Playgroup policies.

Objectives and activities

The charity objects are the development and education of children and young people in particular 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 Pre-school Learning Alliance.

Main activities

We are a not for profit fully inclusive pre-school which serves a wide area in the local community we have a number of disadvantaged families who are able to access childcare through the local authorities funding for 2 year olds and also we provide the nursery education funding for three and four year olds. Some families pay for our childcare service, fees charged are at a reasonable competitive rate. Children benefit from learning in their early years through planned and educational play both indoors and outdoors. Children can access three hours of childcare or as we offer a lunch club three times a week they can access a full day, giving parents the flexibility to work if they need to.

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Public benefit statement

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in section 17 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit, 'Charities and Public Benefit'.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit

Allows parents to return to work or give them a break whilst their child is cared for in a stimulating environment.

Summary of the main achievements during the period

We continue to be as flexible as we can offering a variety of hours for children which fits in nicely with working Parents or Parents who just need time to themselves during the day. We have had outdoor Forest school which has been provided by an external Forest school teacher, this was paid for by obtaining additional grant money to benefit the children and their learning.

Financial review

The trustees are satisfied with the financial position this year.

The charity's policy on reserves

We try to keep 3 month wage reserve in a separate account, however we have had to use a small amount of money to cover staff wages if there are not sufficient funds in the current account at the end of the month.

Financial Risks

Rising staffing costs, running costs, not being able to sustain funds to keep running.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees:

Signed _____ Date _____
Thulani Molife, Trustee

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of
Sherwood Play Group
for the year ended 31 March 2025**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Sherwood Play Group (the charity) for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the charity 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 charity'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 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 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.

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 _____ Date _____
Eva Stevens BSc, CPFA
Employee of Community Accounting Plus

Sherwood Play Group
Receipts & payments account
for the year ended 31 March 2025

2024			2025
£		Note	£
	Receipts		
90	Bank interest		183
69598	Grants & donations	2	102698
9752	Playgroup & lunch club fee		7724
<u>79440</u>	Total receipts		<u>110605</u>
	Payments		
219	Bank charges		215
-	IT cost		965
1678	Dues & subscriptions		1684
733	Groceries & milk		705
1039	Insurance expense		1052
430	Office stationery & supplies		720
4687	Professional fees		4530
-	Purchases		1105
3078	Rent & rates		3010
-	Repairs & maintenance		70
950	Telephone		1030
100	Training		120
71062	Wages, NI & pensions		76903
-	Membership fee		96
<u>83976</u>	Total payments		<u>92205</u>
(4536)	Net receipts/(payments)		18400
<u>20711</u>	Cash funds at start of this period		<u>16175</u>
<u>16175</u>	Cash funds at end of this period		<u>34575</u>

**Sherwood Play Group
Statement of assets and liabilities
at 31 March 2025**

<i>2024</i>			<i>2025</i>
£	Cash assets	Note	£
16175	Bank accounts		34575
<u>16175</u>			<u>34575</u>
	Other monetary assets		
519	Prepayment	3	550
<u>519</u>			<u>550</u>
	Assets retained for the charity's own use		
	General equipment.		
	Liabilities		
(918)	Creditors	4	(948)
<u>(918)</u>			<u>(948)</u>

These financial statements are accepted on behalf of the charity by:

Signed _____ Date _____
Sarah Kozłowska, Trustee

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Notes to the accounts
for the year ended 31 March 2025

1. Receipts & payments accounts

Receipts and payments accounts contain a summary of money received and money spent during the period and a list of assets and liabilities at the end of the period. Usually, cash received and cash spent will include transactions through bank accounts and cash in hand.

2. Grants & donations

	£
Holland Legacy	10000
Derbyshire	2000
Best Practise Net	5250
Nottingham City Council	76530
Future Flying High Trust	2000
Masonic Charitable	3762
CO-OP Food	500
General Donations	2656
	<u>102698</u>

3. Debtors

	£
NoodlesNow	24
Insurance	526
	<u>550</u>

4. Creditors

	£
Independent examination fee	834
HMRC	114
	<u>948</u>

5. Trustees' remuneration

Trustees received no expenses, remuneration or benefits in this period.

6. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions during the period.

7. Glossary of terms

Creditors: These are amounts owed by the charity, but not paid during the accounting period.

Prepayments: These are services that the charity has paid for in advance, but not used during the accounting period.