

# PITSMOOR ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND

England & Wales · Charity number 1156611

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2014-04-10

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

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE OBJECTS OF THE CIO ARE TO PROMOTE THE BENEFIT OF THE RESIDENTS IN THE PITSMOOR AND BURNGREAVE AREAS OF THE CITY OF SHEFFIELD AND ELSEWHERE, WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, RACE OR OF POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS OR OTHER OPINIONS BY ASSOCIATING TOGETHER THE SAID RESIDENTS AND THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES, VOLUNTARY AND OTHER ORGANISATIONS IN A COMMON EFFORT TO ADVANCE EDUCATION AND TO PROVIDE FACILITIES IN THE INTERESTS OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND FOR RECREATION AND LEISURE TIME OCCUPATION WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF IMPROVING THE CONDITIONS OF LIFE FOR THE RESIDENTS.

**Activities:** To manage and run a children's adventure playground in the Pitsmoor and Burngreave areas of Sheffield and surrounding areas. To provide facilities for the community in the interests of social welfare and for education, recreation and leisure time occupation with the object of improving the conditions of life for residents.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- Sheffield City

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£204,211	£185,249	-	-
2024-03-31	£203,361	£221,241	-	-
2023-03-31	£216,619	£214,930	-	-
2022-03-31	£171,110	£192,157	-	-
2021-03-31	£215,246	£169,576	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Yanina Koszalinski</b>	Chair	2014-02-28
Dr Steven Pool		2024-01-23
Frances Ann Belbin		2024-01-23
JILL PORTMAN		2014-02-28
JULIA SEXTON		2014-02-28
Laura Watkins		2015-01-19
Nawel Mohsin Obied		2020-01-13

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# Accounts

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# **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

**(Registered Charity No. 1156611)**

## **Financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025**

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# **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

## **Legal Information**

### **Trustees**

Fran Belbin  
Yanina Koszalinski                      Chair  
Sonam Nawaz  
Nawel Obeid  
Steve Poole  
Jill Portman  
Nikki Railton  
Julia Sexton  
Laura Watkins

### **Registered Charity number**

1156611

### **Registered office**

C/o 122 Burngreave Road  
Sheffield  
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### **Independent examiner**

Craig Williamson  
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The Ghyll  
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### **Bank**

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## **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

### **Annual Report 2024-25**

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a trustees' report and accounts for the Charities Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Constitution and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Entities.

### **Structure, governance and management**

Pitsmoor Adventure Playground is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) formed on 10th April 2014. Our governing document is our constitution, a CIO foundation model in which trustees are the only voting members of the charity. The initial trustees were appointed at the foundation of the charity, with additional trustees appointed by the Board of Trustees as required during the year.

In usual circumstances Trustees meet at least monthly and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the playground. During 2024-25 meetings continued monthly in person at the playground with the option to join digitally via Zoom. There were no changes to our Board of Trustees through the year.

Our chairperson joined the Association of Chairs for advice, guidance and resources to develop and support our board of trustees. We have conducted a trustee's skills audit, updated our trustee's information pack. Discussions have started on how we maintain a diverse and inclusive board of trustees and how we include children and parents in our decision-making process and governance. In early 2025 it was agreed to allocate each trustee to lead on a particular aspect of managing the playground; these include health & safety, play/playwork, safeguarding, finance, volunteers, human resources/staffing issues, non-play outcomes. We also agreed each trustee meeting will focus on one of these topics as the main item of the meeting.

Following significant management staff changes the previous year, 2024 – 2025 was steadier as new roles settled in and our core team grew in strength and capacity. We welcomed some new sessional playworkers to the team to support the demands of our summer programme, including Nikki Corder and Marek Pokuta who had both been working with us as volunteers.

Our school holiday food offer continued through all holiday periods, making sure all visiting children had access to a healthy homecooked meal. During the year over 5,000 meals were provided to children, filling bellies and giving children the fuel needed to maximise their play time. We also enjoyed many cultural events, bringing families and our community together to celebrate, sharing food, music and fun times.

### **Trustees are currently:**

Yanina Koszalinski (Chair)	Jill Portman	Nikki Railton
Nawel Obied	Julia Sexton	Sonam Nawaz
Laura Watkins	Steve Poole	Fran Belbin

## **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

### **Annual Report 2024-25**

#### **Core staff over the year were:**

Sarah Truman – Playwork Manager

Beverley Nunn – Funding & Project Manager

Julius Turner – Playworker

Zaqer Mused – Playworker

Rosa Curtis – Playworker / Forest School Lead

Patrick Amber – Playworker / Artist in Residence

Patrick McLeod – Cleaner

#### **Casual staff were:**

Riaz Ali – Cook

Amy Snow – Relief Cook

Joziah Brown – Playworker

Camilla Zerr – Playworker

Sarah Wilson – Playworker

Marek Pokuta – Playworker

Haroon Saeed – Playworker

Nikki Corder – Playworker

Evan Blythe – Finance Assistant

Carol Morton – Admin Support Worker

#### **Volunteers**

We are fortunate to have a team of dedicated volunteers who regularly give their time, share their skills, and support many areas of our work, including help in the kitchen, behind the welcome desk and with site maintenance.

We also have occasional volunteer support from the wider community who come and help with specific tasks and activities. Without regular volunteers we would not be able to achieve everything that we do and give heartfelt thanks and appreciation to them all.

#### *Our volunteers were:*

Glenda Giblin

Pete Giblin

Sam Giblin

Sarah Kestevan

Amy Snow

Tom Brereton

Marek Pokuta

Nikki Corder

Jo Veal

Hania Bodo

Georgia Masters

Alexandra Sinclair

Local residents

Caleb Ball

Members of Fireside Housing Co-op

## **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

### **Annual Report 2024-25**

#### **Finance**

In 2024/25 our most significant funders were The National Lottery Community Fund, Children in Need, and Trusthouse Charitable Foundation (now Forte Charitable Foundation). Smaller grant funders included National Grid Community Fund, JG Graves Trust, Sheffield Grammar School and Exhibition Fund, South Yorkshire Community Foundation, Westfield Health and Sheffield City Council Local Area Committee. We received a capital grant from UKSPF Low Carbon Community & Cultural Project to install replacement doors on our building.

We've continued to run our school holiday food offer with grants from Sheffield City Council and the Department for Education Healthy Activities and Food (HAF) programme.

We were also funded by Sheffield City Council Community Youth Service to deliver engagement and consultation activities for Sheffield Play Partnership.

Total restricted income in 2024/25 was £184,776, with £37,548 carried forward.

Most of our expenditure is on staff salaries, as without our qualified playworkers and skilled staff team the playground could not be open for the hundreds of children, young people and families who visit us each year.

#### **Reserves policy**

Pitsmoor Adventure Playground's general policy is to maintain unrestricted reserves equivalent to a minimum of three months' running costs to bridge any funding gaps that may arise, which currently amounts to approximately £45,000. At the end of 2024-25 our unrestricted reserves stand at £42,308.

#### **Public benefit statement**

The trustees regularly give due consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance in deciding what activities they should undertake, by reviewing the needs of their beneficiaries, ensuring the service is fully inclusive and that no detriment or harm arises from the organisation carrying out its activities.

#### **Highlights and achievements**

##### *Working with the Business Community*

During this year, we were fortunate to receive support from many businesses keen to support our work at the playground. Through organising a series of workdays for employees to volunteer, we were able to complete many large and small clean-up and build projects, which without this help would not have been possible. The timber platforms built on the space of the much-loved castle were created with Business Volunteers, whilst a further 3 workdays were coordinated with help from Sheffield Business Together. These joint projects have helped connect us to the business community, amounting to hundreds of volunteer hours and leading to further opportunities for support going forward. We look forward to further collaborations in the years ahead.

## **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

### **Annual Report 2024-25**

#### *Sheffield Play Partnership*

Our work as one of the founding members of Sheffield Play Partnership (formerly Sheffield Play Association) continued to gain momentum through the year, with former Playground Manager Patrick Meleady steering activity in a consultancy role. Our Funding & Project Manager, Bev Nunn, led on consultation and engagement with children and families across 5 neighbourhoods, using an informal approach to hold conversations about play using a range of methods including focus groups, individual and group discussions. We participated in a trip to north Wales, spending the day with the Play and Youth Team from Wrexham County Borough Council and visiting 3 adventure playgrounds. Further training in playwork was delivered through the partnership and a second celebration event for play practitioners, learners and supporters was held in December 2024.

#### *Community Fundraising*

The efforts of staff, volunteers and supporters this year helped to raise over £9,000 in funds for the playground. Raffles and collection buckets at the playground, a music night in a local pub and a marathon run all helped to bring in the funds, helping to boost our reserves whilst bringing people together to celebrate the playground. Many hands were involved, and we recognise and appreciate the efforts and contributions made by all.

#### *New Playworkers*

We were joined through the year by 6 new sessional playworkers, each bringing valuable skills, expertise and experience to the playwork team. Previously a young volunteer (and before that, one of the children who played at the playground) Marek Pokuta joined in August 2024 as our youngest playworker at just 16 years old. Known for his friendly and playful nature, he's been a welcome addition to the team. Nikki Corder first joined us as a volunteer after completing the Discovering Play training through Sheffield Play Partnership, and after many months supporting play sessions was then welcomed into the team as a sessional playworker. Here at PAP, we are committed to supporting people on their journey into playwork through providing opportunities to gain experience whilst also creating jobs for local people.

#### *Family Support*

The wider work we do to support families included multiple events and activities delivered together with partners. National Energy Action visited to offer important information and advice about managing energy usage in the home and support available for those struggling with increasingly high charges. The Sheffield Children's Hospital joined us, holding a Super Saturday event, in September, to share positive messages about oral health, and a university student ran a session promoting good dental care. We partnered with SOAR (Southey & Owlerton Area Regeneration) to distribute winter "warm packs" containing essential items for staying warm at home and organised 3 Parent & Carer Afternoon Tea sessions for families to meet informally with staff and others in the community.

#### *Playwork Foundation - Adventure Playground Network*

Our managers and chairperson continued to participate in virtual meetings of the national adventure playground network, sharing information and ideas with our colleagues across the UK. This has proved useful to bring new ideas, share challenges and learn from each other to improve practice.

## **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

### **Annual Report 2024-25**

#### *Our Play Programme*

We had many successes through the year with a varied and exciting play offer for our children. Our weekly Kids Only Days for 8- to 13-year-olds continued with many new children joining to enjoy free play and activities for the older age group and the chance to visit without parents and younger siblings. We secured a grant from the National Grid Community Fund to develop our forest school offer which really took off this year, with cooking over a campfire, nature crafts, and shelter building all included in the programme.

Our playworkers pulled out all the stops to ensure children had plenty to do every time they visited. The playwork team ensured there was a variety of loose parts available that children could move and manipulate to create their own play spaces in all areas across the playground. This extended the opportunities for open-ended, child-led, unstructured play with no set rules or predetermined outcome, allowing children to use their imagination and creativity freely with simple materials.

Creativity was also encouraged by ensuring children could access a wide range of arts and crafts materials, often leading to using old pieces of wood to create bright, colourful signs which were then displayed on fences and walls, creating a veritable art gallery displaying children's work. Supported by our playworker and community artist, children created a new painted mural on the building contributing to the colourful display.

Children enjoyed growing strawberries, tomatoes and other simple herbs and vegetables, sometimes with enough to take home and share with their families. Food that children had grown was used in meals and snacks for everyone to share

In June the UN announced 11<sup>th</sup> June as the UN International Day of Play. It was short notice but the playwork team put on a celebration of the day at the playground with lots of fun activities.

30 families with children participated in activities for Abbeyfield Park Festival. The festival was opened by the children, holding a colourful procession walking from the playground and taking a circular route around Abbeyfield Park before arriving at the stage and presented to the audience.

During school holidays, alongside opportunities for play we provided nutritious hot meals for children, funded by Holiday Activities and Food (HAF). We are now one of the largest HAF schemes providers in Sheffield. During the easter holidays these sessions were very well attended, however at the start of the summer holiday events nationally led to racially violent demonstrations and protests; attendance at the playground was greatly reduced due to parental and community fears for the safety of children. Our playwork team responded quickly to put in place procedures and action, temporarily limiting places to a maximum of 80 children to reduce the risks for children attending the playground. We were able to keep the playground open for all our planned sessions and attendance quickly increased up to our temporary limit. We ran a successful play programme including a popular obstacle course set up by children and 2 casual playworkers, a trip to the seaside for our families and forest school activities alongside loose parts and open-ended play.

Throughout 2024-25 there was a joint effort across the organisation, including trustees and the staff team, to improve our systems and procedures for checking and maintaining our outdoor play structures. Repairs were made and some equipment removed with on-the-job training provided for managers and playworkers. At our annual playground inspection, it was noted that we were in the top 5% of adventure playgrounds for the condition of the site and equipment. Coinciding with this we had an environmental health inspection for food safety and achieved a 5-star rating.

Towards the end of the year the playwork team started a rolling programme of updating and revising our risk assessments to include detailed risk benefits assessments.

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### **Annual Report 2024-25**

To maintain our staff's knowledge and skills our managers put in place twice yearly training updates, ensuring everyone completed the requirements for up-to-date safeguarding, first aid and food hygiene/allergies training. In March 2025 a small group of trustees and staff attended the National Playwork Conference participating in workshops and discussions as part of their CPD. In the run up to the conference two trustees and two playworkers from Pitsmoor Adventure Playground were invited to form a panel to assess nominees, putting forward a shortlist and the final recipient for the Professional Development Award, presented at the conference.

*Thanks, and appreciation to the following for their support:*

Bonnie Price our Tesco community champion for supporting us with generous donations and joining us for events and our summer trip to the seaside.

Police Community Support Officers Karl Duckels and Sarah Needham for regular visits and providing support for our playground team and community.

Paul Corcoran from Business Volunteers for organising volunteer help to create our new platforms.

Charlie Hedges at Sheffield Business Together for coordinating volunteer workdays. Also, many volunteers from SISK Construction, Jewson Partnership Solutions, Kitlocker, Amey, Henry Boot, Winvic Construction, MWAYS, Business in the Community, AVIVA, Irwin Mitchell, Vinci Construction, and Loadhog Limited for getting stuck into hard and dirty playground jobs. We appreciate you all!

Paul Common from Arches Housing for his amazing efforts running the Milton Keynes Marathon to raise funds for the playground.

Paggiosi Ices for their generosity and support.

The Sheffield Futures team who dedicated their Social Action Day to improving the playground.

Sharpline Solutions Ltd for generously installing new LED lights in our building at no cost.

Nigel Vinyl and all those who came to and supported the music fundraiser at the Bay Horse Pub.

Mike Connelly from Digitec Ltd for offering ongoing support for our work.

Saleema Iman and family for their generous donation that funded our giant and colourful wall mural.

Thornbridge Outdoors for giving our children the opportunity to enjoy new experiences at their Castleton adventure centre and in the Peak District.

Jackie Pass from Sheffield Theatres for welcoming our families to the Christmas pantomime.

The Flying Seagull Project for visiting with their fantastic circus skills workshop and magic performance.

Uropa Engineering Ltd for donating shackles for our much-loved zipwire.

Sheffield Community Bike Project for providing free bike checks and repairs at the playground.

Jacob Davies for organising donated birch trees from Sheffield City Council and planting with children.

Professor Anna Beresin for spending time with us as part of her academic research.

## **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

### **Annual Report 2024-25**

Piff Paff Theatre for delighting our children with their colourful and imaginative den-making session.

The Scrap Dragon team for their regular donations of wonderful scrap supplies and loose parts to keep our young creatives busy and enhance children's play.

Our regular parents for your wide range of support to staff during sessions and busy times.

All our parents and playground friends for donations of everything from food, toys, books, clothes, shoes, loose play parts and pennies in the bucket – you are all wonderful!

*Overall, we couldn't have achieved so much for our children and families without the dedication and commitment of our staff and volunteers and the support of our local community, families, and residents young and old.*

## Pitsmoor Adventure Playground

### Trustees' report

#### Trustees responsibilities for the financial statements

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial period which show the state of affairs of the charity and of net income or expenditure of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.
- state whether applicable accounting standards of recommended practice have been followed subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable the Trustees to prepare financial statements. The Trustees are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention of fraud and other irregularities.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 20 JAN 26 and is signed on their behalf by:

Yanina Koszalinski  
Trustee



## Pitsmoor Adventure Playground

### Independent Examiner's report on the Accounts of Pitsmoor Adventure Playground for the year ended 31 March 2025

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on pages 12 to 17.

#### 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(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 you as 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 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 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.

Signed: 

Craig Williamson  
White Rose Accounting for Charities  
The Ghyll  
Threapland  
Aspatria  
CA7 2EL

Date: 14/1/2026

**Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**  
**Statement of financial activities**  
**(incorporating the income and expenditure account)**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2025**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds 2025 £	Total 2024 £
<b>Income from:</b>					
Incoming resources from generated funds:					
Donations		7,995	-	7,995	1,883
Services		8,360	-	8,360	2,420
Other income		-	-	-	65
Incoming resources from charitable activities					
Grants	2	3,080	184,776	187,856	198,993
<b>Total Incoming resources</b>		<b>19,435</b>	<b>184,776</b>	<b>204,211</b>	<b>203,361</b>
<b>Resources on</b>					
Charitable activities					
	3	2,299	182,950	185,249	221,241
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<b>2,299</b>	<b>182,950</b>	<b>185,249</b>	<b>221,241</b>
<b>Net (outgoing)/incoming resources</b>		17,136	1,826	18,962	(17,880)
Total funds brought forward		28,193	35,722	63,915	81,795
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	9	<b>45,329</b>	<b>37,548</b>	<b>82,877</b>	<b>63,915</b>

**Pitsmoor Adventure Playground  
Balance Sheet  
as at 31 March 2025**

	<u>2025</u> £	<u>2024</u> £
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Balance at bank and cash	83,217	44,593
Debtors	-	22,000
<b>Total current assets</b>	<u>83,217</u>	<u>66,593</u>
Creditors	(340)	(838)
Net current assets	<u>82,877</u>	<u>65,755</u>
Total assets less current liabilities	<u>82,877</u>	<u>65,755</u>
<b>Total net assets</b>	<u><u>82,877</u></u>	<u><u>65,755</u></u>
Represented by:		
<b>Funds</b>		
Restricted income fund	37,548	35,722
Unrestricted income fund	45,329	28,193
	<u>82,877</u>	<u>63,915</u>

This report was approved by the Trustees on 20 JAN 26 and is signed on their behalf by:

*Yanina Koszalinski*

Yanina Koszalinski  
Trustee

# Pitsmoor Adventure Playground

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025

### 1 Accounting Policies

#### (a) Basis of preparation

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102), and the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS102 (effective from January 2015 and updated with effect from January 2016) - (the Charities SORP (FRS102)) as modified for smaller charities.

The Charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as defined under FRS102.

#### (b) Income

Grants donations and Income from charitable trading activities are recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they are received.

#### (c) Restricted Funds

Restricted funds are used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets the criteria is identified to the fund together with a fair allocation of management and support costs.

#### (d) Unrestricted Funds

Unrestricted Funds are other income received or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose and are available as general funds.

#### (e) Resources expended

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of V.A.T. The company is not VAT registered.

Governance costs of the charity relate to the costs of running the charity such as the costs of meetings, professional costs and statutory compliance, and includes any costs which cannot be specifically identified to another expenditure classification. In the opinion of the trustees all support costs relate to charitable expenditure.

#### (f) Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset over its useful life.

#### (g) Fund Accounting

Funds held by the charity are either restricted funds or unrestricted general funds. Unrestricted funds are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees. Restricted funds that can only be used for a particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

**Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

**Notes to the financial statements  
for the year ended 31 March 2025**

**2 Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities**

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
<b>Grants:</b>				
The National Lottery Community Fund	-	64,869	64,869	60,000
Children in Need	-	34,200	34,200	28,800
Cohesion Fund	-	-	-	2,000
JG Graves Charitable Trust	-	-	-	3,000
Freshgate Trust	-	-	-	2,000
Kathleen Hannay Memorial Trust	-	-	-	14,000
National Grid Community Fund	-	9,644	9,644	-
Sheffield Blue & Mount Pleasant	-	2,000	2,000	-
Sheffield City Council - Coronation	-	-	-	300
Sheffield City Council - Dark Nights	-	-	-	1,000
Sheffield City Council - Play Partnership	-	530	530	13,500
Sheffield City Council - LAC	-	500	500	-
Sheffield City Council - Easter Activities	-	1,998	1,998	-
Sheffield City Council - Family Hub	-	1,000	1,000	-
Sheffield City Council - Healthy Holidays	-	30,167	30,167	28,393
Sheffield City Trust	-	-	-	5,000
Sheffield Grammar School	-	5,000	5,000	-
Sheffield Town Trust	-	-	-	5,000
South Yorkshire Community Foundation	-	14,868	14,868	15,000
Trust House Foundation	-	20,000	20,000	20,000
Voluntary Action Sheffield	-	-	-	1,000
Westfield Health	3,080	-	3,080	-
	<u>3,080</u>	<u>184,776</u>	<u>187,856</u>	<u>198,993</u>

**3 Resources Expended**

	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
<b>Charitable Activities</b>		
Staff costs	132,938	133,651
Payroll Fees	991	1,737
Staff Travel and Training	2,215	2,829
Other Staff Expenses	182	110
Volunteer Expenses	3,209	2,084
Building Repairs and Maintenance	993	2,288
Premises	4,353	10,262
Playground Repairs and Maintenance	24,333	10,218
Play Materials	1,061	15,253
Other Play and Activity Costs	8,548	12,839
Insurance	4,043	3,644
Professional fees and Accounting	784	17,289
Postage and Stationery	592	368
Telephone and Internet	1,004	813
Van expenses	-	1,288
Other Expenses	3	6,568
	<u>185,249</u>	<u>221,241</u>

## Pitsmoor Adventure Playground

### Notes to the financial statements (cont'd) for the year ended 31 March 2025

#### 4 Details of certain items of expenditure

	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
The surplus for the year is stated after charging: Independent examiner's fees	<u>340</u>	<u>320</u>

Directors did not receive any payments or expense reimbursements either this year or last.

#### 5 Staff costs

	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Gross wages	132,064	132,777
Employer's national insurance costs	<u>874</u>	<u>874</u>
	<u>132,938</u>	<u>133,651</u>

The average number of employees was 8  
Directors were not remunerated during the year, nor were they re-imbursed for any expenses

#### 6 Debtors (all due within one year)

	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Trade debtors	<u>-</u>	<u>22,000</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>22,000</u>

#### 7 Creditors and accruals

	Total 2025 £	Total 2024 £
Accruals	340	838
Prepayments	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>340</u>	<u>838</u>

## Pitsmoor Adventure Playground

### Notes to the financial statements (cont'd) for the year ended 31 March 2025

#### 8 Transactions with related parties

There were no transactions with related parties, either this year or last.

<b>9 Restricted funds</b>	<b>1 April 2024</b>	<b>Incoming</b>	<b>Outgoing</b>	<b>31 March 2025</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
The National Lottery Community Fund	5,071	64,869	(59,940)	10,000
Children in Need	10,800	34,200	(36,091)	8,909
JG Graves Charitable Trust	2,172		(2,172)	-
National Grid Community Fund	-	9,644	(6,080)	3,564
Sheffield Blue & Mount Pleasant	-	2,000	-	2,000
Sheffield City Council - Play Partnership	-	530	(530)	-
Sheffield City Council - Easter Activities	-	1,998	(12)	1,986
Sheffield City Council - LAC	-	500	(500)	-
Sheffield City Council - Healthy Holidays	-	30,167	(30,167)	-
Sheffield City Council - Family Hub	-	1,000	-	1,000
Sheffield Grammar School	-	5,000	(4,911)	89
South Yorkshire Community Foundation	7,500	14,868	(22,368)	-
Trust House Foundation	10,179	20,000	(20,179)	10,000
	<u>35,722</u>	<u>184,776</u>	<u>(182,950)</u>	<u>37,548</u>

**PITSMOOR ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND**

England & Wales - Charity number 1156611

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# Accounts

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# **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

(Registered Charity No. 1156611)

## **Financial statements**

**for the year ended 31 March 2024**

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# **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

## **Legal Information**

### **Trustees**

Yanina Koszalinski	Chair
Laura Watkins	Treasurer
Sonam Nawaz	
Jill Portman	
Julia Sexton	
Nawel Obeid	
Nikki Railton	

### **Registered Charity number**

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### **Bank**

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PO Box 250  
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## **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

### **Trustees' report**

#### **Annual Report 2023 - 2024**

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a trustees' report and accounts for the Charities Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Constitution and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Entities.

#### **Structure, governance and management**

Pitsmoor Adventure Playground is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) formed on 10th April 2014.

Our governing document is our constitution, a CIO foundation model in which trustees are the only voting members of the charity. The initial trustees were appointed at the foundation of the charity, with additional trustees appointed by the Board of Trustees as required during the year.

In usual circumstances Trustees meet at least monthly and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the playground. During 2023-24 meetings continued monthly in person at the playground with the option to join digitally via Zoom. At our AGM in January two new Trustees were elected therefore at the end of the 2023-24 financial year there were 9 Trustees of the charity.

2023-24 was a time of significant internal change and adjustment, with several senior staff members leaving their roles. Playground Manager Patrick Meleady left his position in September 2023, and our Finance & Funding Manager Fran Belbin left in December 2023. Both Patrick and Fran were members of the campaigning group to keep the playground open following Sheffield City Council's decision to close in 2013, establishing us as a charity and developing the organisation to where we are now, with many significant achievements along the way. Their leaving gave us the chance to adjust our staffing structure, with new managerial roles created. Former Deputy Manager Sarah Truman became our Playwork Manager, responsible for managing day to day activities at the playground and developing our play programme and offer. Beverley Nunn, who was job sharing with Fran, became our Funding & Project Manager, with responsibility for fundraising, finance and overall project management.

Fran Belbin didn't completely leave the playground and became a Trustee at our AGM in January 2024, a more manageable fit alongside her role as Deputy Leader of Sheffield City Council. Also joining the board of trustees was local resident Steve Poole. Steve has been involved with the playground since the 1990s and over the past 10 years an active volunteer and supporter of our work, helping with site maintenance and building both the pirate ship and "tree house" as part of his PHD studies. We are thrilled to welcome Fran and Steve to the Pitsmoor Adventure Playground Board of Trustees.

#### **Trustees are currently:**

Yanina Koszalinski (Chair)	Jill Portman	Nikki Railton
Nawel Obied	Julia Sexton	Sonam Nawaz
Laura Watkins	Steve Poole	Fran Belbin

# Pitsmoor Adventure Playground

## Trustees' report

### Staff

There was also change within our playwork team, losing Playworker Ivana Tirpakova during the year but also welcoming Rosa Curtis and Patrick Amber. Rosa was already working with us on a sessional basis and brings forest schools skills and experience to the role. Patrick has been a supporter and friend of the playground for many years and as both a Playworker and our Artist in Residence, brings a wide range of creative skills and talents.

*Core staff over the year were:*

Patrick Meleady – Playground Manager (left Sept 2023)

Sarah Truman – Deputy Manager / Playwork Manager (since Oct 2023)

Fran Belbin – Funding & Finance Manager (left Dec 2023)

Beverley Nunn – Funding & Project Manager (since Oct 2023)

Julius Turner – Playworker

Zaqer Mused – Playworker

Ivana Tirpakova – Playworker (left Jan 2024)

Rosa Curtis – Playworker

Patrick Amber – Playworker / Artist in Residence

Patrick McLeod - Cleaner

*Casual staff were:*

Lucy Fowler – Playworker

Lena Vernon-Edwards – Playworker

Diane Johnson - Playworker

Riaz Ali – Cook

Amy Snow – Relief Cook

Carol Morton – Admin Support Worker

Evan Blythe – Finance Assistant

### Volunteers

We are fortunate to have a team of dedicated volunteers who generously give their time, share their skills, and support many areas of our work, including help in the kitchen, behind the welcome desk and with site maintenance. We also have occasional volunteer support from the wider community who come and help with specific tasks and activities. Without regular volunteers we would not be able to achieve everything that we do and give heartfelt thanks and appreciation to them all.

*Volunteers were:*

Steve Poole (became a Trustee in Jan 2024)

Glenda Giblin

Pete Giblin

Sam Giblin

Rowan Giblin

Simon Barnett

Marianne Bingham

Sarah Kestevan

Amy Snow

Tom Breeton

Marek Pokuta

Jo Veal

Sergiusz Scislowski (aka Santi)

Members of Fireside Housing Co-op Local Residents

# **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

## **Trustees' report**

### **Finance**

In 2023/24 our most significant funders were The National Lottery Community Fund, Children in Need, Kathleen Hannay Memorial Foundation and Trusthouse Charitable Foundation, and smaller grant funders included the Graves Trust, South Yorkshire Community Foundation, Sheffield Town Trust and Sheffield City Trust.

We've continued to run our school holiday food offer with grants from Sheffield City Council and the Department for Education Healthy Activities and Food (HAF) programme.

We were also funded by Sheffield City Council Community Youth Service to deliver playwork training and a playwork pilot in the Woodthorpe and Manor areas of Sheffield that ended in July 2023.

Total restricted income in 2023/24 was £179,493, with £35,722 carried forward.

Most of our expenditure is on staff salaries, as without our qualified playworkers and skilled staff team the playground could not be open for the hundreds of children, young people and families who visit each year.

### **Reserves policy**

Pitsmoor Adventure Playground's general policy is to maintain unrestricted reserves equivalent to a minimum

of three months' running costs to bridge any funding gaps that may arise, which currently amounts to approximately £35,000. At the end of 2022-23 our unrestricted reserves stood at £45,321 and in 2023-24 have reduced to £25,678, falling below our reserves target. This is a priority to address in the 2024-25 financial year.

### **Public benefit statement**

The trustees regularly give due consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance in deciding what activities they should undertake, by reviewing the needs of their beneficiaries, ensuring the service is fully inclusive and that no detriment or harm arises from the organisation carrying out its activities.

### **Highlights and achievements**

There are always many things happening at Pitsmoor Adventure Playground, so it isn't unusual for a year to feel extremely busy and to pass by at breakneck speed – this year was no different! We've continued to open 5 days a week for open access play, welcomed upwards of 1,000 children and registered close to 400 new families.

#### *Our Playwork Offer*

The playwork team has worked hard to keep our offer fresh and exciting for visiting children with staff injecting their skills and interests to the programme. Provision for loose parts play has grown with new spaces created and resources found that children have loved using for all kinds of imaginative play. Patrick has utilised his artistic skills to introduce a wide range of activities, from puppet and lantern making to co-designing a giant wall mural with children, adding colour and creativity to sessions. With the help of Rosa's Forest Schools skills and Zaq's passion for food growing, children have planted, harvested and tasted fresh fruit and vegetables grown from scratch, alongside den building, making fires and cooking outside, in our new dedicated forest schools' space. Our new and improved mud kitchen has provided endless fun, while games including football, basketball, archery, races and obstacle courses have kept children (and Julius!) active and moving every day.

## **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

### **Trustees' report**

#### *Community Events*

As anyone who has ever visited the playground for one of our celebration events knows, we love to throw a party! We've celebrated Easter, Eid, International Roma Day, Halloween, Bonfire Night, St Nicholas Day, Chinese New Year, Christmas and more, inviting whole families along to celebrate with us. Our Sharing Cultures Day was an afternoon of culture, costume, food and music as we celebrated the diversity and traditions of our playground community. At our Autumn Family Fun Night we opened in the evening, enjoying children's shadow puppets performance, seasonal food around the fire and playful fun in the dark. We became pirates for our Christmas party, transforming the pirate ship into Santas Grotto and surprising children with Pirate Santa, delighting children and parents alike. As well as being a lot of fun for the children, these events really help to bring our families and community together, enjoying each other's company and making happy memories.

#### *Training*

It was a busy year for staff training. Our Playworker Rosa qualified as a level 3 Forest Schools Leader, strengthening the quality of our work in this area. Chairperson Yanina Koszalinski delivered refresher training for staff in loose parts play, igniting imaginations and leading to a widened supply of resources available to children. During Safeguarding Week 2023, core staff undertook a range of training courses to build essential knowledge, covering online safety, parental mental health, and domestic abuse. Members of the play team and several volunteers gained Level 2 certification in Food Hygiene & Safety, and a group of staff and volunteers made the journey down to Eastbourne for the National Playwork Conference 2024, participating in a wide range of workshops and activities for learning and development.

#### *Young Volunteer*

Our young volunteer, Marek Pokuta, had a fantastic year with achievements that deserve a mention. In autumn 2023 he was shortlisted for a volunteering award after our nomination to the annual Youth Voice Awards, and in March 2024 was elected to represent the views of young people in northeast Sheffield on the Sheffield Youth Council. To say we are super proud of Marek is an understatement! He's been volunteering for the past 2 years, helping with the day to day running of sessions and proving himself to be an important asset to the playground. At just 15 years old, he's an excellent role model and sets a great example to children and young people, working hard and being helpful and supportive in any way that he can. We predict great things for this young man and feel immense pride in all that he's achieved so far.

#### *Partnership & Collaboration*

Our appetite for partnership and working together with others has led to some wonderful achievements this year with many positive outcomes. Probably most significantly, our role in founding and working to develop the **Sheffield Play Partnership** has seen important progress, with playwork training at both introductory and level 2 delivered in multiple neighbourhoods across the city, funded by Sheffield City Council. The achievements of learners and supporters were celebrated at a very special event in December 2023, organised by the team at MASKK (Manor After School Kids Klub) at which our Chairperson Yanina gave an inspiring presentation. We've also continued to work collaboratively with the organisers of **Abbeyfield Community Festival** and **Parkwood Springs Community Lantern Festival** to encourage children and families to join in, offering workshops at the playground to create lanterns and puppets for the parades and organising families to meet and travel with us beforehand. Staff and families have loved being involved in both fantastic community events! Our ongoing partnership work with **National Energy Action** has helped us to support families through providing expert information, advice and sharing useful items to help stay warm at home. We've also very happily collaborated with the **Sheffield Children's NHS Foundation Trust** on several Super Saturday events at the playground to promote important health messages to families with fun games and activities.

## **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

### **Trustees' report**

#### *Consultation*

We used a range of methods throughout the year to consult with children and parents that began with introducing a Talking Tent to the playground in spring 2023 to engage our community in helping to shape Sheffield's City Goals. We created a space for conversations about aspirations for our neighbourhood and city, making a positive contribution to the 10-year plan for Sheffield. Our annual surveys for children and parents/carers reached 135 of our regular visitors, gathering important views, feedback and ideas to inform our service. Other activities included installing a Playground Post Box to receive postcards and messages from children, a Playgrounds of the Future day to imagine play and the playground 50 years from now, and a lovely project to design a colourful wall mural with the children.

*Thanks, and appreciation to the following for their support:*

Bonnie Price our Tesco community champion for supporting us with generous donations and joining us for events and our summer trip to the seaside.

Police Community Support Officers Karl Duckels and Sarah Needham for always finding time to visit.

Keith Rogers and Sam Broadhurst from Play to Measure for sharing their expertise in playground maintenance and safety and being available always for advice and support.

Scot Barton and Yellow Bus Events for gifting us 16 tonnes of sand in the summer of 2023, along with all the people who helped us move it onto the playground – we couldn't have done it without you!

The Endeavor Sheffield team for inviting us on adventure trips to discover the great outdoors.

Paul Corcoran from Business Volunteers for organising volunteer days and helping to improve our spaces.

Uriah Rennie and Rob Womack from Sheffield City Trust community team for giving us all kinds of support, including sports resources, funding and being champions of play in communities.

Helen Bedford from Bowmer + Kirkland for organising generous donations of paint and materials to help brighten up the playground.

Our regular parents for your wide range of support, everything from bringing us delicious edible gifts to your generous help in the kitchen and on the playground during busy times.

Tony Reed for helping with painting and tidying projects.

The Scrap Dragon team for their regular donations of wonderful scrap supplies and loose parts to keep our young creatives busy and enhance children's play.

Josh Truman and 1Up Access for loaning us a platform to help make our giant wall mural a reality.

All our parents and playground friends for donations of everything from food, toys, books, clothes, shoes, loose play parts and pennies in the bucket – you are all wonderful!

***Overall, we couldn't have achieved so much for our children and families without the dedication and commitment of our staff and volunteers and the support of our local community, families, and residents young and old.***

## **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

### **Trustees' report**

#### **Trustees responsibilities for the financial statements**

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial period which show the state of affairs of the charity and of net income or expenditure of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.
- state whether applicable accounting standards of recommended practice have been followed subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable the Trustees to prepare financial statements. The Trustees are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention of fraud and other irregularities.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 10 Dec 24 and is signed on their behalf by:



Yanina Koszalinski  
Trustee

## **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

### **Independent Examiner's report on the Accounts of Pitsmoor Adventure Playground for the year ended 31 March 2024**

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2024, which are set out on pages 10 to 15.

#### **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(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 you as 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 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 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.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_



Craig Williamson  
White Rose Accounting for Charities  
The Ghyll  
Threapland  
Aspatria  
CA7 2EL

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

10/12/2024

**Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**  
**Statement of financial activities**  
**(incorporating the income and expenditure account)**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2024**

		Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	Total funds 2024	Total 2023
	Notes	£	£	£	£
<b>Income from:</b>					
Incoming resources from generated funds:					
Donations		1,883	-	1,883	3,367
Services		2,420	-	2,420	70,381
Other income		65	-	65	237
Incoming resources from charitable activities					
Grants	2	19,500	179,493	198,993	142,634
<b>Total Incoming resources</b>		<b>23,868</b>	<b>179,493</b>	<b>203,361</b>	<b>216,619</b>
<b>Resources on</b>					
Charitable activities					
	3	43,511	177,730	221,241	214,930
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<b>43,511</b>	<b>177,730</b>	<b>221,241</b>	<b>214,930</b>
<b>Net (outgoing)/incoming resources</b>		(19,643)	1,763	(17,880)	1,689
Total funds brought forward		45,321	33,959	79,280	77,591
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	9	<b>25,678</b>	<b>35,722</b>	<b>61,400</b>	<b>79,280</b>

**Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**as at 31 March 2024**

	2024 £	2023 £
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Balance at bank and cash	40,238	48,693
Debtors	22,000	44,407
<b>Total current assets</b>	<u>62,238</u>	<u>93,100</u>
Creditors	(838)	(13,820)
Net current assets	<u>61,400</u>	<u>79,280</u>
Total assets less current liabilities	<u>61,400</u>	<u>79,280</u>
<b>Total net assets</b>	<u><u>61,400</u></u>	<u><u>79,280</u></u>

Represented by:

**Funds**

Restricted income fund	35,722	33,959
Unrestricted income fund	25,678	45,321
	<u>61,400</u>	<u>79,280</u>

This report was approved by the Trustees on 10 Dec 24 and is signed on their behalf by:

*Yanina Koszalinski*

Yanina Koszalinski  
Trustee

## **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

### **Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024**

#### **1 Accounting Policies**

**(a) Basis of preparation**

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102), and the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS102 (effective from January 2015 and updated with effect from January 2016) - (the Charities SORP (FRS102)), as modified for smaller charities.

The Charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as defined under FRS102.

**(b) Income**

Grants donations and Income from charitable trading activities are recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they are received.

**(c) Restricted Funds**

Restricted funds are used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets the criteria is identified to the fund together with a fair allocation of management and support costs.

**(d) Unrestricted Funds**

Unrestricted Funds are other income received or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose and are available as general funds.

**(e) Resources expended**

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of V.A.T. The company is not VAT registered.

Governance costs of the charity relate to the costs of running the charity such as the costs of meetings, professional costs and statutory compliance, and includes any costs which cannot be specifically identified to another expenditure classification. In the opinion of the trustees all support costs relate to charitable expenditure.

**(f) Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation**

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset over its useful life.

**(g) Fund Accounting**

Funds held by the charity are either restricted funds or unrestricted general funds. Unrestricted funds are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees. Restricted funds that can only be used for a particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

# Pitsmoor Adventure Playground

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024

### 2 Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<b>Grants:</b>				
The National Lottery Community Fund	-	60,000	60,000	74,000
Children in Need	-	28,800	28,800	-
Church Burgesses Trust	-	-	-	10,000
Cohesion Fund	-	2,000	2,000	-
JG Graves Charitable Trust	-	3,000	3,000	3,000
Freshgate Trust	-	2,000	2,000	-
Leeds Community Foundation	-	-	-	8,784
Kathleen Hannay Memorial Trust	-	14,000	14,000	14,000
Sheffield City Council - Ward Pot	-	-	-	426
Sheffield City Council - Coronation	-	300	300	-
Sheffield City Council - Dark Nights	-	1,000	1,000	-
Sheffield City Council - Play Partnership	13,500	-	13,500	-
Sheffield City Council - Richmond	-	-	-	11,500
Sheffield City Council - Southey Activities	-	-	-	805
Sheffield City Council - Southey Food Pantry	-	-	-	1,500
Sheffield City Council - Healthy Holidays	-	28,393	28,393	18,619
Sheffield City Trust	5,000	-	5,000	-
Sheffield Town Trust	-	5,000	5,000	-
South Yorkshire Community Foundation	-	15,000	15,000	-
Trust House Foundation	-	20,000	20,000	-
Voluntary Action Sheffield	1,000	-	1,000	-
	<u>19,500</u>	<u>179,493</u>	<u>198,993</u>	<u>142,634</u>

### 3 Resources Expended

	Total 2024 £	Total 2023 £
<b>Charitable Activities</b>		
Staff costs	133,651	132,031
Payroll Fees	1,737	1,318
Staff Travel and Training	2,829	16,879
Other Staff Expenses	110	144
Volunteer Expenses	2,084	1,875
Building Repairs and Maintenance	2,288	2,198
Premises	10,262	4,691
Playground Repairs and Maintenance	10,218	8,815
Play Materials	15,253	9,532
Other Play and Activity Costs	12,839	12,138
Insurance	3,644	3,231
Professional fees and Accounting	17,289	9,704
Postage and Stationery	368	5,958
Telephone and Internet	813	856
Van expenses	1,288	4,433
Other Expenses	6,568	1,127
Returned grant	-	-
	<u>221,241</u>	<u>214,930</u>

## Pitsmoor Adventure Playground

### Notes to the financial statements (cont'd) for the year ended 31 March 2024

#### 4 Details of certain items of expenditure

	<b>Total 2024 £</b>	<b>Total 2023 £</b>
The surplus for the year is stated after charging: Independent examiner's fees	<u>320</u>	<u>320</u>

Directors did not receive any payments or expense reimbursements either this year or last.

#### 5 Staff costs

	<b>Total 2024 £</b>	<b>Total 2023 £</b>
Gross wages	132,777	131,157
Employer's national insurance costs	<u>874</u>	<u>874</u>
	<u>133,651</u>	<u>132,031</u>

The average number of employees was 8  
Directors were not remunerated during the year, nor were they re-imbursed for any expenses

#### 6 Debtors (all due within one year)

	<b>Total 2024 £</b>	<b>Total 2023 £</b>
Trade debtors	<u>22,000</u>	<u>44,407</u>
	<u>22,000</u>	<u>44,407</u>

#### 7 Creditors and accruals

	<b>Total 2024 £</b>	<b>Total 2023 £</b>
Accruals	838	320
Prepayments	<u>-</u>	<u>13,500</u>
	<u>838</u>	<u>13,820</u>

## Pitsmoor Adventure Playground

### Notes to the financial statements (cont'd) for the year ended 31 March 2024

#### 8 Transactions with related parties

There were no transactions with related parties, either this year or last.

9 Restricted funds	1 April 2023	Incoming	Outgoing	31 March 2024
	£	£	£	£
The National Lottery Community Fund	15,368	60,000	(70,297)	5,071
Children in Need	-	28,800	(18,000)	10,800
Cohesion Fund	-	2,000	(2,000)	-
Freshgate Trust	-	2,000	(2,000)	-
JG Graves Charitable Trust	1,972	3,000	(2,800)	2,172
Leeds Community Foundation	5,119	-	(5,119)	-
Kathleen Hannay Memorial Trust	-	14,000	(14,000)	-
Sheffield City Council - Coronation	-	300	(300)	-
Sheffield City Council - Dark Nights	-	1,000	(1,000)	-
Sheffield City Council - Richmond	11,500	-	(11,500)	-
Sheffield City Council - Healthy Holidays	-	28,393	(28,393)	-
Sheffield Town Trust	-	5,000	(5,000)	-
South Yorkshire Community Foundation	-	15,000	(7,500)	7,500
Trust House Foundation	-	20,000	(9,821)	10,179
	<u>33,959</u>	<u>179,493</u>	<u>(177,730)</u>	<u>35,722</u>

**PITSMOOR ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND**

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# **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

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## **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

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In usual circumstances Trustees meet at least monthly and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the playground. During 2022-23 meetings continued monthly in person at the playground with the option to join digitally via Zoom. At our AGM in December one trustee resigned therefore at the end of the 2022-23 financial year there were 7 Trustees of the charity.

Day to day management and responsibility for all playground activities is delegated to the Playground Manager, Patrick Meleady, and Finance and Funding Manager, Fran Belbin, who are responsible for ensuring that playground activities are delivered safely and effectively with due regard to the welfare of playground users, staff, and volunteers, and are compliant with the relevant legal and financial requirements. Our Deputy Manager, Sarah Truman, coordinates day-to-day operations and line manages the playwork team. In September 2022 Beverley Nunn joined the organisation to job share with Fran Belbin, with the remit to lead on new fundraising initiatives.

### **Reserves Policy**

Pitsmoor Adventure Playground's general policy is to maintain unrestricted reserves equivalent to a minimum of three months' running costs to bridge any funding gaps that may arise, which currently amounts to approximately £35,000. At the end of 2021/22 our unrestricted reserves stood at £53533 and in 2022/23 have reduced to £45321, still well within our reserves policy.

### **Financial review**

In 2022/23 our most significant funder was The National Lottery Community Fund and smaller grant funders included the Graves Trust, the Garfield Weston Foundation, Kathleen Hannay Memorial Foundation and the Lieutenancy and Masonic Fund.

Ongoing service delivery continues under the Department for Education funded Healthy Activities and Food (HAF) programme, providing meals and activities for children from low-income families during school holidays.

We were also commissioned by Sheffield City Council Community Youth Service to deliver playwork training and playwork pilot activity in the Woodthorpe and Manor areas of Sheffield.

Total restricted income in 2022/23 was £142634, with £33959 carried forward to 2023/24.

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### **Public benefit statement**

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### **Achievements and performance**

This has been our ninth year of independent operation and we have continued to provide a vital service and safe haven to some of the most disadvantaged and vulnerable children in the city.

During this period, we were able to successfully deliver our core service without interruption, offering open play sessions 5 days a week, with exciting programmes of holiday activity, events, and off-site trips that include visits to local woods, the seaside and into the Peak District. Groups of children enjoyed opportunities for off-site outdoor pursuits such as rock climbing and abseiling, through our partnership work with Endeavour, a locally based youth organisation. Our relationship with one local school developed as they brought small groups of children to use the adventure playground during school hours. At Christmas we organised trips to Gulliver's Kingdom and to watch the pantomime at the Lyceum Theatre. Other off-site activities included sports tournaments, attending a celebration of women's football at the Town Hall. Children participated in cultural celebrations across the city, including The Tree Project, our contribution to the city-wide Festival of the Mind and shadow puppetry as part of the Crucible Theatre Family Day, providing our children with new experiences.

We were fortunate to have residents offering their skills and expertise to extend and vary the play opportunities we provided alongside the variety of outdoor equipment and facilities available every day and included opportunities to participate in live music, circus skills, troll making workshops and growing fruit and veg to then cook and eat. We increased our opening over the summer holidays to include Sundays, targeting vulnerable families from the local area. Sharing a simple meal became a highlight for families using the playground on Saturdays with local women taking a lead to prepare and cook their traditional dishes, introducing Halal food and sharing their culture with others.

This was an exciting year for the playground, with a 50th anniversary of the playground, National Frontline Playwork Award, and a Queens Award for Voluntary Service to celebrate and enjoy. In October we hosted a visit from the Lord Lieutenant to officially receive our Queens Award, inviting all members of the playground community to celebrate with food, music, dancing, and speeches. To celebrate our 50th year of the adventure playground we held a community open day, inviting past and present users of the playground. We had a steady stream of visitors throughout the day, enjoying the nostalgia of looking through our archive of old photos, spotting themselves and family members from years ago. Children from a local school attended during the day to use the outdoors facilities. BBC Radio Sheffield broadcast their morning show live from the playground, celebrating our story through a series of interviews with staff, volunteers, parents, and children, past and present. Earlier in the year we were featured on C4 programme 'Steph's Packed Lunch' their presenter spent a day with us, to highlight our work and what we offer to local children and their families.

Over the year, new families accessing the playground increased, with an average of 120 families registering in February and March alone. The need for family support has increased, in part due to the cost of living / energy crisis but also the ongoing impact of the pandemic, with staff reporting an increase in food bank referrals and signposting to other agencies. Over the winter we opened late on Friday evenings, offering a hot meal and warm space to families. We were identified and promoted as a Welcoming Space for children and families and a Community Resilience Hub.

We were fortunate to be able to offer young people with opportunities to help them towards employment, this included having a young person a work experience placement, a Spanish young man volunteered to help him develop his English language skills and two young people volunteered as part of their Duke of Edinburgh Award.

## **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

### **Trustees' report**

Between October 2022 and March 2023, our Playground Manager led a Play Partnership pilot project to develop playwork activity, funded by Sheffield City Council, and partnering with MASKK (Manor After School Kids Klub). The pilot was conceived to bridge the gap in SCC provision for children aged 5-10, between early years services in family centres and youth services for 10–18-year-olds. The focus was on trialling direct delivery of playwork on the Woodthorpe estate and developing playwork training and CPD opportunities to strengthen the sector. We developed a new introductory L1 Playwork course, Discovering Play, aimed at parents, volunteers, new and unqualified playworkers. Working in partnership with MASKK it was able to be delivered at our adventure playground and in the pilot area with a total of 21 learners successfully completing the course and attending a certificate presentation by the Lord Mayor at the Town Hall. This initiative has started to develop further partnership work with MASKK to deliver Playwork training opportunities across Sheffield.

2022-23 has been an extremely busy year for the adventure playground. Outdoor equipment and structures have been well-used and ongoing maintenance has been required to keep everything in good working order. To assist with this staff attended additional H&S training for adventure playgrounds delivered by a playground inspector, as a result we have improved our systems and process for daily checks. Unfortunately, we had to dismantle our well-loved 20-year-old castle structure which went out in style as children went wild with their imaginations decorating it with paint before it disappeared.

In February staff, trustees, and volunteers came together for a Strategy Planning Day, to revisit our mission and agree priorities and key themes to take forward. This work will be ongoing and enable staff and trustees to develop longer term strategic planning for the next 3 – 5 years.

Overall, we couldn't have achieved so much for our children and families without the dedication and commitment of our staff and volunteers and the support of our local community, families, and residents young and old.

### **Trustees responsibilities for the financial statements**

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial period which show the state of affairs of the charity and of net income or expenditure of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
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- state whether applicable accounting standards of recommended practice have been followed subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable the Trustees to prepare financial statements. The Trustees are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention of fraud and other irregularities.

This report was approved by the Trustees on \_\_\_\_\_ and is signed on their behalf by:

Yanina Koszalinski  
Trustee

## **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

### **Independent Examiner's report on the Accounts of Pitsmoor Adventure Playground for the year ended 31 March 2023**

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2023, which are set out on pages 7 to 12.

#### **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(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 you as 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 2011 Act; and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 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.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Craig Williamson  
White Rose Accounting for Charities  
The Ghyll  
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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**  
**Statement of financial activities**  
**(incorporating the income and expenditure account)**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2023**

		Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	Total funds 2023	Total 2022
	Notes	£	£	£	£
<b>Income from:</b>					
Incoming resources from generated funds:					
Donations		3,367	-	3,367	2,235
Services		70,381	-	70,381	35,903
Other income		237	-	237	2
Incoming resources from charitable activities					
Grants	2	-	142,634	142,634	132,970
<b>Total Incoming resources</b>		<b>73,985</b>	<b>142,634</b>	<b>216,619</b>	<b>171,110</b>
<b>Resources on</b>					
Charitable activities					
	3	82,197	132,733	214,930	192,157
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<b>82,197</b>	<b>132,733</b>	<b>214,930</b>	<b>192,157</b>
<b>Net (outgoing)/incoming resources</b>		(8,212)	9,901	1,689	(21,047)
Total funds brought forward					
		53,533	24,058	77,591	98,638
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	9	<b>45,321</b>	<b>33,959</b>	<b>79,280</b>	<b>77,591</b>

**Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**as at 31 March 2023**

	<u>2023</u> £	<u>2022</u> £
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Balance at bank and cash	48,693	82,181
Debtors	44,407	239
<b>Total current assets</b>	<u>93,100</u>	<u>82,420</u>
Creditors	(13,820)	(4,829)
Net current assets	<u>79,280</u>	<u>77,591</u>
Total assets less current liabilities	<u>79,280</u>	<u>77,591</u>
<b>Total net assets</b>	<u><u>79,280</u></u>	<u><u>77,591</u></u>
 Represented by:		
<b>Funds</b>		
Restricted income fund	33,959	24,058
Unrestricted income fund	45,321	53,533
	<u>79,280</u>	<u>77,591</u>

This report was approved by the Trustees on \_\_\_\_\_ and is signed on their behalf by:

Yanina Koszalinski  
Trustee

## **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

### **Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023**

#### **1 Accounting Policies**

**(a) Basis of preparation**

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102), and the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS102 (effective from January 2015 and updated with effect from January 2016) - (the Charities SORP (FRS102)), as modified for smaller charities.

The Charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as defined under FRS102.

**(b) Income**

Grants donations and Income from charitable trading activities are recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they are received.

**(c) Restricted Funds**

Restricted funds are used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets the criteria is identified to the fund together with a fair allocation of management and support costs.

**(d) Unrestricted Funds**

Unrestricted Funds are other income received or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose and are available as general funds.

**(e) Resources expended**

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of V.A.T. The company is not VAT registered.

Governance costs of the charity relate to the costs of running the charity such as the costs of meetings, professional costs and statutory compliance, and includes any costs which cannot be specifically identified to another expenditure classification. In the opinion of the trustees all support costs relate to charitable expenditure.

**(f) Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation**

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset over its useful life.

**(g) Fund Accounting**

Funds held by the charity are either restricted funds or unrestricted general funds. Unrestricted funds are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees. Restricted funds that can only be used for a particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

## Pitsmoor Adventure Playground

### Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023

#### 2 Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<b>Grants:</b>				
The Big Lottery Fund	-	74,000	74,000	60,000
Children in Need	-	-	-	21,125
Church Burgesses Trust	-	10,000	10,000	-
JG Graves Charitable Trust	-	3,000	3,000	6,000
Garfield Weston Foundation	-	-	-	20,000
Leeds Community Foundation	-	8,784	8,784	-
Lieutenancy and Masonic Fund	-	-	-	3,000
Kathleen Hannay Memorial Trust	-	14,000	14,000	-
Sheffield City Council - Ward Pot	-	426	426	-
Sheffield City Council - Covid Response	-	-	-	12,000
Sheffield City Council - Richmond	-	11,500	11,500	-
Sheffield City Council - Southey Activities	-	805	805	-
Sheffield City Council - Southey Food Pantry	-	1,500	1,500	-
Sheffield City Council - Healthy Holidays	-	18,619	18,619	5,810
Southey Food Pantry	-	-	-	5,035
	-	142,634	142,634	132,970

#### 3 Resources Expended

	Total 2023 £	Total 2022 £
<b>Charitable Activities</b>		
Staff costs	132,031	108,935
Payroll Fees	1,318	1,227
Staff Travel and Training	16,879	2,376
Other Staff Expenses	144	100
Volunteer Expenses	1,875	410
Building Repairs and Maintenance	2,198	45,091
Premises	4,691	2,089
Playground Repairs and Maintenance	8,815	4,708
Play Materials	9,532	530
Other Play and Activity Costs	12,138	5,502
Insurance	3,231	3,025
Professional fees and Accounting	9,704	12,197
Postage and Stationery	5,958	40
Telephone and Internet	856	811
Van expenses	4,433	2,752
Other Expenses	1,127	399
Returned grant	-	1,965
	214,930	192,157

## Pitsmoor Adventure Playground

### Notes to the financial statements (cont'd) for the year ended 31 March 2023

#### 4 Details of certain items of expenditure

	<b>Total 2023 £</b>	<b>Total 2022 £</b>
The surplus for the year is stated after charging: Independent examiner's fees	<u>320</u>	<u>290</u>

Directors did not receive any payments or expense reimbursements either this year or last.

#### 5 Staff costs

	<b>Total 2023 £</b>	<b>Total 2022 £</b>
Gross wages	131,157	108,061
Employer's national insurance costs	<u>874</u>	<u>874</u>
	<u>132,031</u>	<u>108,935</u>

The average number of employees was 8  
Directors were not remunerated during the year, nor were they re-imbursed for any expenses

#### 6 Debtors (all due within one year)

	<b>Total 2023 £</b>	<b>Total 2022 £</b>
Trade debtors	<u>44,407</u>	<u>239</u>
	<u>44,407</u>	<u>239</u>

#### 7 Creditors and accruals

	<b>Total 2023 £</b>	<b>Total 2022 £</b>
Accruals	320	4,829
Prepayments	<u>13,500</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>13,820</u>	<u>4,829</u>

## Pitsmoor Adventure Playground

### Notes to the financial statements (cont'd) for the year ended 31 March 2023

#### 8 Transactions with related parties

There were no transactions with related parties, either this year or last.

<b>9 Restricted funds</b>	<b>1 April 2022</b>	<b>Incoming</b>	<b>Outgoing</b>	<b>31 March 2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
The Big Lottery Fund	4,826	74,000	(63,458)	15,368
Church Burgesses Trust	-	10,000	(10,000)	-
Garfield Weston Foundation	12,234	-	(12,234)	-
JG Graves Charitable Trust	2,993	3,000	(4,021)	1,972
Lieutenancy and Masonic Fund	3,000	-	(3,000)	-
Leeds Community Foundation	-	8,784	(3,665)	5,119
Kathleen Hannay Memorial Trust	-	14,000	(14,000)	-
Sheffield City Council - Ward Pot	-	426	(426)	-
Sheffield City Council - Richmond	-	11,500	-	11,500
Sheffield City Council - Healthy Holidays	-	18,619	(18,619)	-
Southy Activities	-	805	(805)	-
Southy Food Pantry	1,005	1,500	(2,505)	-
	<u>24,058</u>	<u>142,634</u>	<u>(132,733)</u>	<u>33,959</u>

**PITSMOOR ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND**

England & Wales - Charity number 1156611

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# Accounts

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# **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

(Registered Charity No. 1156611)

## **Financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022**

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# **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

## **Legal Information**

### **Trustees**

Yanina Koszalinski	Chair
Laura Watkins	Treasurer
Alan Hancock	
Sonam Nawaz	
Jill Portman	
Julia Sexton	
Nawel Obeid	
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### **Registered Charity number**

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### **Registered office**

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### **Reserves Policy**

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### **Financial review**

In 2021/22 our most significant funders were The National Lottery Community Fund and BBC Children in Need. However our BBC Children in Need grant ended in October 2021. Other grant funders included the Graves Trust, the Garfield Weston Foundation and Lieutenancy and Masonic Fund.

We continued to provide services related to being a Covid-19 support hub funded by Sheffield City Council, though this funded service delivery concluded at the end of the 2021/22 financial year. Other ongoing service delivery continues under the Department for Education funded Healthy Activities and Food (HAF) programme, providing meals and activities for children from low income families during school holidays.

We completed capital works to our building using Community Infrastructure Levy funds raised in 2020/21.

A grant from the South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner was underspent due to difficulties in putting the envisaged staffing in place.

Total restricted income in 2021/22 was £127,160 (in addition to £47,614 brought forward from 2020/21), with £24,058 carried forward to 2022/23.

Unrestricted funds generated income of £43,950, mainly via HAF and Covid hub activities. This is a reversal of the trend in recent years to increase the proportion of unrestricted funds, which poses a challenge in the light of the end of one of our significant grants from BBC Children in Need and the conclusion of our Covid hub funding. As a result the Board are considering options, including a fresh application to BBC Children in Need, an increased focus on donations, and the possibility of partnership work with Sheffield City Council around the promotion of playwork within the city.

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#### **Achievements and performance**

This has been our eighth year of independent operation and we have continued to provide a vital service and safe haven to some of the most disadvantaged and vulnerable children in the city.

Services continued to be affected by the Covid 19 pandemic, particularly in the early part of the financial year when restrictions were still in force. During this period we were able to complete the capital works to our building, including roof replacement and reconfiguration/refurbishment of the toilets and office space. From April 2021 we were able to start moving back to normal opening hours, and during the Easter holidays we ran 2 sessions a day to enable more children to attend.

We were able to reopen fully in the summer holidays to deliver a highly successful HAF programme and subsequently offer our regular after school sessions which remain popular. Alongside playwork we worked closely with our community and public services to offer Covid support and advice. The numbers of children attending increased significantly over this period and we found that parents were more likely to attend with their children than pre-pandemic.

Highlights of our activities during 2021/22 included additional opening on Sundays in the summer holidays and trips to the seaside, including a joint trip with the Old Quarry Adventure Playground and Highfield Adventure Playground. We partnered with local organisation Endeavour to experience outdoor pursuits such as abseiling, with Sheffield Theatres to put on puppet making workshops that culminated in a *Together in the City* shadow play, and our children and staff participated in a city wide event to welcome the refugee puppet Amal to Sheffield after her journey across Europe, leading the procession in the city centre. We had a fantastic week of Halloween activities, made lanterns for the local lantern parade and also came second in the community scarecrow competition. During the festive period we took groups of children and parents to Gulliver's Kingdom at Rother Valley and pantomime at the Lyceum Theatre, visited the Lord Mayor's Parlour and held our traditional Christmas party (supported by Mission Christmas at Hallam FM). But most of all, after more than a year of lockdown and restrictions, we have been able to put outdoor play back on the agenda for more than a thousand children who visited during the year, offering a full range of sports, games, arts and crafts and fun physical activities at our site.

We are strong believers in partnership working, amongst the partners we worked with in 2021/22 were: The Old Quarry Adventure Playground, Highfield Adventure Playground, Burngreave Foodbank, Tesco, Hallam FM, Endeavour, South Yorkshire Police, local councillors and MP, Arches Housing, Sheffield Theatres, North East Sheffield Local Area Committee, the Chris Cave Foundation, the Burngreave Messenger, Sheffield Star, BBC Radio Sheffield, Pitsmoor Pickers litter picking group, Sheffield Museums, Heeley Trust, Sheffield City Trust, SOAR Community and Princes Trust.

2022 marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Pitsmoor Adventure Playground, and we were absolutely delighted in March 2022 to have our creativity and hard work recognised at the National Playwork Conference, where we were given with the Best Frontline Playwork award. To add to this achievement we were nominated for the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service, and received this highly prestigious award in June 2022 during the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations. We are humbled and honoured by these awards, and determined to keep offering the high quality services that are so much needed in our local community during these difficult times.

## Pitsmoor Adventure Playground

### Trustees' report

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Yanina Koszalinski  
Trustee

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#### Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 you as 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:

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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_



Craig Williamson  
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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

31/1/2022

**Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**  
**Statement of financial activities**  
**(incorporating the income and expenditure account)**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2022**

	Unrestricted fund	Restricted fund	Total funds 2022	Total 2021
Notes	£	£	£	£
<b>Income from:</b>				
Incoming resources from generated funds:				
Donations	2,235	-	2,235	1,801
Services	35,903	-	35,903	59,383
Other income	2	-	2	3
Incoming resources from charitable activities				
Grants	2 5,810	127,160	132,970	154,059
<b>Total Incoming resources</b>	<b>43,950</b>	<b>127,160</b>	<b>171,110</b>	<b>215,246</b>
<b>Resources on</b>				
Charitable activities	3 41,441	150,716	192,157	169,576
<b>Total resources expended</b>	<b>41,441</b>	<b>150,716</b>	<b>192,157</b>	<b>169,576</b>
<b>Net (outgoing)/incoming resources</b>	<b>2,509</b>	<b>(23,556)</b>	<b>(21,047)</b>	<b>45,670</b>
Total funds brought forward	51,024	47,614	98,638	52,968
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	<b>9 53,533</b>	<b>24,058</b>	<b>77,591</b>	<b>98,638</b>

**Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**as at 31 March 2022**

	<u>2022</u> £	<u>2021</u> £
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Balance at bank and cash	82,181	98,913
Debtors	239	-
<b>Total current assets</b>	<u>82,420</u>	<u>98,913</u>
Creditors	(4,829)	(275)
Net current assets	<u>77,591</u>	<u>98,638</u>
Total assets less current liabilities	<u>77,591</u>	<u>98,638</u>
<b>Total net assets</b>	<u>77,591</u>	<u>98,638</u>

Represented by:

**Funds**

Restricted income fund	24,058	47,614
Unrestricted income fund	53,533	51,024
	<u>77,591</u>	<u>98,638</u>

This report was approved by the Trustees on 21/12/22 and is signed on their behalf by:

*Yanina Koszalinski*

Yanina Koszalinski  
Trustee

## **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

### **Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022**

#### **1 Accounting Policies**

**(a) Basis of preparation**

The Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102), and the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS102 (effective from January 2015 and updated with effect from January 2016) - (the Charities SORP (FRS102)), as modified for smaller charities.

The Charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as defined under FRS102.

**(b) Income**

Grants donations and Income from charitable trading activities are recognised in full in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which they are received.

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Restricted funds are used for specific purposes as laid down by the donor. Expenditure which meets the criteria is identified to the fund together with a fair allocation of management and support costs.

**(d) Unrestricted Funds**

Unrestricted Funds are other income received or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose and are available as general funds.

**(e) Resources expended**

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of V.A.T. The company is not VAT registered.

Governance costs of the charity relate to the costs of running the charity such as the costs of meetings, professional costs and statutory compliance, and includes any costs which cannot be specifically identified to another expenditure classification. In the opinion of the trustees all support costs relate to charitable expenditure.

**(f) Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation**

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset over its useful life.

**(g) Fund Accounting**

Funds held by the charity are either restricted funds or unrestricted general funds. Unrestricted funds are funds which can be used in accordance with the charitable objects at the discretion of the trustees. Restricted funds that can only be used for a particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

## Pitsmoor Adventure Playground

### Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2022

#### 2 Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
<b>Grants:</b>				
The Big Lottery Fund	-	60,000	60,000	30,000
Children in Need	-	21,125	21,125	42,059
JG Graves Charitable Trust		6,000	6,000	5,000
Garfield Weston Foundation		20,000	20,000	-
Lieutenancy and Masonic Fund		3,000	3,000	-
Martin Lewis	-			5,000
Sheffield City Council - Infrastructure	-			59,500
Sheffield City Council - Covid Response	-	12,000	12,000	3,000
Sheffield City Council - Public Health				3,000
Sheffield City Council - Healthy Holidays	5,810	-	5,810	-
Southey Food Pantry	-	5,035	5,035	-
South Yorkshire Community Foundation	-			1,000
South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner				5,000
Speak Up	-			500
	<u>5,810</u>	<u>127,160</u>	<u>132,970</u>	<u>154,059</u>

#### 3 Resources Expended

	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
<b>Charitable Activities</b>	108,935	110,412
Staff costs	1,227	711
Payroll Fees	2,376	475
Staff Travel and Training	100	116
Other Staff Expenses	410	885
Volunteer Expenses	45,091	1,999
Building Repairs and Maintenance	2,089	1,669
Premises	4,708	27,261
Playground Repairs and Maintenance	530	1,256
Play Materials	5,502	8,335
Other Play and Activity Costs	3,025	2,987
Insurance	12,197	7,715
Professional fees and Accounting	40	972
Postage and Stationery	811	1,375
Telephone and Internet	2,752	2,931
Van expenses	399	477
Other Expenses	1,965	
Returned grant	<u>192,157</u>	<u>169,576</u>

## Pitsmoor Adventure Playground

### Notes to the financial statements (cont'd) for the year ended 31 March 2022

#### 4 Details of certain items of expenditure

	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
The surplus for the year is stated after charging: Independent examiner's fees	<u>290</u>	<u>275</u>

Directors did not receive any payments or expense reimbursements either this year or last.

#### 5 Staff costs

	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Gross wages	108,061	108,941
Employer's national insurance costs	<u>874</u>	<u>1,471</u>
	<u>108,935</u>	<u>110,412</u>

The average number of employees was 8  
Directors were not remunerated during the year, nor were they re-imbursed  
for any expenses

#### 6 Debtors (all due within one year)

	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Trade debtors	<u>239</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>239</u>	<u>-</u>

#### 7 Creditors and accruals

	Total 2022 £	Total 2021 £
Accruals	<u>290</u>	<u>275</u>
	<u>290</u>	<u>275</u>

## Pitsmoor Adventure Playground

### Notes to the financial statements (cont'd) for the year ended 31 March 2022

#### 8 Transactions with related parties

There were no transactions with related parties, either this year or last.

9 Restricted funds	1 April 2021	Incoming	Outgoing	31 March 2022
	£	£	£	£
The Big Lottery Fund	-	60,000	(55,174)	4,826
Children in Need	3,505	21,125	(24,630)	-
Garfield Weston Foundation	-	20,000	(7,766)	12,234
JG Graves Charitable Trust	-	6,000	(3,007)	2,993
Lieutenancy and Masonic Fund	-	3,000	-	3,000
Sheffield City Council - Infrastructure	38,241	-	(38,241)	-
Sheffield City Council - Covid Response	-	12,000	(12,000)	-
Southey Food Pantry	-	5,035	(4,030)	1,005
South Yorkshire Community Foundation	368	-	(368)	-
South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner	5,000	-	(5,000)	-
Speak Up	500	-	(500)	-
	<u>47,114</u>	<u>127,160</u>	<u>(150,716)</u>	<u>24,058</u>

**PITSMOOR ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND**

England & Wales - Charity number 1156611

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# Accounts

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# **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

(Registered Charity No. 1156611)

## **Financial statements**

**for the year ended 31 March 2021**

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# **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

## **Legal Information**

### **Trustees**

Yanina Koszalinski	Chair
Laura Watkins	Treasurer
Alan Hancock	
Sonam Nawaz	
Jill Portman	
Julia Sexton	
Nawel Obeid	
Nikki Railton	

### **Registered Charity number**

1156611

### **Registered office**

C/o 122 Burngreave Road  
Sheffield  
S3 9DE

### **Independent examiner**

Craig Williamson  
White Rose Accounting for Charities  
The Ghyll  
Threapland  
Aspatria  
CA7 2EL

### **Bank**

The Co-operative Bank  
PO Box 250  
Skelmersdale  
WN8 6WT

# **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

## **Trustees' report**

The Trustees present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021 which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a trustees' report and accounts for the Charities Act purposes.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Constitution and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Entities.

### **Structure, governance and management**

Pitsmoor Adventure Playground is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) formed on 10th April 2014. Our governing document is our constitution, a CIO foundation model in which trustees are the only voting members of the charity. The initial trustees were appointed at the foundation of the charity, with additional trustees appointed by the Board of Trustees as required during the course of the year.

In usual circumstances Trustees meet at least monthly and are responsible for the strategic direction and policy of the playground. During 2020-21 and the Covid-19 pandemic the Board met less frequently due to lockdown restrictions but continued to meet at least quarterly. At the end of the 2020/21 financial year there were 8 trustees of the charity.

Day to day management and responsibility for all playground activities is delegated to the Playground Manager, Patrick Meleady, and Finance and Funding Manager, Fran Belbin, who are responsible for ensuring that playground activities are delivered safely and effectively with due regard to the welfare of playground users, staff and volunteers, and are compliant with the relevant legal and financial requirements.

### **Reserves Policy**

Pitsmoor Adventure Playground's general policy is to maintain unrestricted reserves equivalent to a minimum of three months' running costs in order to bridge any funding gaps that may arise, which currently amounts to approximately £35,000. At the end of 2019/20 our unrestricted reserves stood at £24,918, below the level set in our policy. However in 2020/21 we have been able to substantially grow reserves, in part due to reduced expenditure during periods of closure during the pandemic, and also as a result of delivering additional services as a Covid-19 support hub and via the Department for Education funded Healthy Activities and Food programme (HAF). Unrestricted reserves at the end of 2020/21 stand at £51,024.

These reserves provide a healthy financial cushion as we face new challenges arising from the end of our BBC Children in Need grant and the uncertainties facing the Voluntary and Charity sector arising from the pandemic.

### **Financial review**

In 2020/21 our most significant funders have been BBC Children in Need and The National Lottery Community Fund. We also received a significant Community Infrastructure Levy grant from Sheffield City Council to carry out capital works on our building.

Other grant funders for the delivery of playwork included the Graves Trust and South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner. We also received grants to deliver work as a Covid-19 support hub from Sheffield City Council, South Yorkshire Community Foundation and the Martin Lewis Covid-19 fund.

Total restricted income in 2020/21 was £149,059 (in addition to £28,050 brought forward from 2019/20), with £47,614 carried forward to 2021/22.

Unrestricted income, as above, totalled £66,187, continuing the steady increase in the proportion of unrestricted funds generated over previous years and reducing our reliance on grant funding. These funds were generated through the delivery of services for the Healthy Holidays programme, the conclusion of Welcome to Sheffield activities and ongoing work on the external SY-NC project, in addition to donations. We continue to be a preferred partner for work with under-served communities in North East Sheffield, delivering services on behalf of SOAR/Voluntary Action Sheffield and Sheffield City Council.

# **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

## **Trustees' report**

### **Public benefit statement**

The trustees regularly give due consideration to the Charity Commission's guidance in deciding what activities they should undertake, by reviewing the needs of their beneficiaries, ensuring the service is fully inclusive and that no detriment or harm arises from the organisation carrying out its activities.

### **Achievements and performance**

This has been our seventh year of independent operation and we have continued to provide a vital service and safe haven to some of the most disadvantaged and vulnerable children in the city. However our 2020-21 activity took place entirely during the global pandemic which inevitably affected the delivery of our existing offer and required us to deliver new services.

In the first quarter of the year the playground was closed due to national lockdown, and we pivoted the organisation to provide community support. This involved working closely with our local foodbank, initially by collecting food for redistribution from businesses that were closing for lockdown; and subsequently by supporting them to move to a delivery service through fundraising and deploying our staff and minibus to make deliveries. We helped to establish the local mutual aid group, co-ordinating volunteers to shop, collect prescriptions and provide information and advice to local residents who were shielding or self-isolating due to Covid; and producing and delivering 5000 leaflets around Burngreave ward about the support available from mutual aid volunteers and other support services in the area.

We kept in touch with our regular users by sharing positive play activities that could be done at home on our social media channels, through regular wellbeing phone calls and by producing play packs that we delivered to families to help keep their children entertained. We also took the opportunity to install a new "treehouse" platform and container that has proved very popular with the children.

During the second quarter restrictions had lifted somewhat and we were able to offer a full summer programme that was enormously popular amongst children who had been cooped up inside over previous months. Staff helped to co-ordinate the Healthy Holidays programme across North East Sheffield, that managed the assembly and distribution of 6000 healthy food hampers to families on free school meals across the area, several hundred of which were distributed via the playground.

We carefully risk assessed our provision in the light of Covid and introduced a range of Covid safety measures which have so far been successful in preventing any outbreaks of the virus associated with the playground. Play sessions have been outdoor only and at times we have had to restrict numbers, but as our site has excellent outdoor facilities this has not significantly impacted our ability to offering exciting play opportunities when we have been able to open.

The third quarter of the year saw more periods of national lockdown that again meant we had to close for some periods and we continued to offer Covid support to the community as described above. We also commenced work on reconfiguring our indoor space during this period using a Community Infrastructure Levy grant. This has included replacing our drains, boiler and central heating system and creating greatly improved toilet and office facilities.

While Tier 4 restrictions meant we could not open fully during the final quarter of the financial year, we were approved by Public Health Sheffield to offer closed sessions to small "bubbles" of vulnerable children who were particularly struggling through lockdown.

Throughout the year we have maintained close relationships with families across the area and been a reliable source of support for those in need. Our staff have contributed to the city's strategic response to the pandemic, for example by taking part in the Covid hubs network co-ordinated by Voluntary Action Sheffield and on the city's Outbreak Control Board, and continue to represent the needs of children and families as we plan the city's post-Covid recovery plan.

## Pitsmoor Adventure Playground

### Trustees' report

#### Trustees responsibilities for the financial statements

Charity law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial period which show the state of affairs of the charity and of net income or expenditure of the charity for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent.
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.
- state whether applicable accounting standards of recommended practice have been followed subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable the Trustees to prepare financial statements. The Trustees are responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention of fraud and other irregularities.

This report was approved by the Trustees on 13 Dec 2021 and is signed on their behalf by:

Yanina Koszalinski  
Trustee



## Pitsmoor Adventure Playground

### Independent Examiner's report on the Accounts of Pitsmoor Adventure Playground for the year ended 31 March 2021

I report on the accounts of the company for the year ended 31 March 2021, which are set out on pages 7 to 12.

#### 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(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145 (5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

#### Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 you as 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:

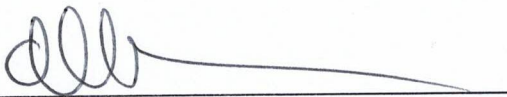
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Signed: \_\_\_\_\_



Craig Williamson  
White Rose Accounting for Charities  
The Ghyll  
Threapland  
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CA7 2EL

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

30/11/2021

**Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**  
**Statement of financial activities**  
**(incorporating the income and expenditure account)**  
**for the year ended 31 March 2021**

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds 2021 £	Total 2020 £
<b>Income from:</b>					
Incoming resources from generated funds:					
Donations		1,801	-	1,801	557
Services		59,383	-	59,383	41,522
Other income		3	-	3	25
Incoming resources from charitable activities					
Grants	2	5,000	149,059	154,059	107,679
<b>Total Incoming resources</b>		<b>66,187</b>	<b>149,059</b>	<b>215,246</b>	<b>149,783</b>
<b>Resources on</b>					
Charitable activities	3	40,081	129,495	169,576	169,958
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<b>40,081</b>	<b>129,495</b>	<b>169,576</b>	<b>169,958</b>
<b>Net (outgoing)/incoming resources</b>		<b>26,106</b>	<b>19,564</b>	<b>45,670</b>	<b>(20,175)</b>
Total funds brought forward		24,918	28,050	52,968	73,143
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>	9	<b>51,024</b>	<b>47,614</b>	<b>98,638</b>	<b>52,968</b>

**Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**as at 31 March 2021**

	<u>2021</u> £	<u>2020</u> £
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Balance at bank and cash	98,913	44,853
Debtors	-	8,528
<b>Total current assets</b>	<u>98,913</u>	<u>53,381</u>
Creditors	(275)	(413)
Net current assets	<u>98,638</u>	<u>52,968</u>
Total assets less current liabilities	<u>98,638</u>	<u>52,968</u>
<b>Total net assets</b>	<u><u>98,638</u></u>	<u><u>52,968</u></u>

Represented by:

**Funds**

Restricted income fund	47,614	28,050
Unrestricted income fund	51,024	24,918
	<u>98,638</u>	<u>52,968</u>

This report was approved by the Trustees on 13 Dec 2021 and is signed on their behalf by:

Yanina Koszalinski  
Trustee



## **Pitsmoor Adventure Playground**

### **Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021**

#### **1 Accounting Policies**

**(a) Basis of preparation**

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The Charity meets the definition of a public benefit entity as defined under FRS102.

**(b) Income**

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**(d) Unrestricted Funds**

Unrestricted Funds are other income received or generated for the objects of the charity without further specified purpose and are available as general funds.

**(e) Resources expended**

Resources expended are included in the Statement of Financial Activities on an accruals basis, inclusive of V.A.T. The company is not VAT registered.

Governance costs of the charity relate to the costs of running the charity such as the costs of meetings, professional costs and statutory compliance, and includes any costs which cannot be specifically identified to another expenditure classification. In the opinion of the trustees all support costs relate to charitable expenditure.

**(f) Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation**

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write off the cost of each asset over its useful life.

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# Pitsmoor Adventure Playground

## Notes to the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2021

### 2 Incoming Resources from Charitable Activities

	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
<b>Grants:</b>				
The Big Lottery Fund	-	30,000	30,000	60,000
Children in Need	-	42,059	42,059	28,828
JG Graves Charitable Trust	5,000	-	5,000	3,000
Martin Lewis	-	5,000	5,000	-
Sheffield City Council - Infrastructure	-	59,500	59,500	-
Sheffield City Council - Covid Response	-	3,000	3,000	-
Sheffield City Council - Public Health	-	3,000	3,000	-
South Yorkshire Community Foundation	-	-	-	4,000
South Yorkshire Fire & Rescue	-	-	-	11,851
South Yorkshire Community Foundation	-	1,000	1,000	-
South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner	-	5,000	5,000	-
Speak Up	-	500	500	-
	<u>5,000</u>	<u>149,059</u>	<u>154,059</u>	<u>107,679</u>

### 3 Resources Expended

	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
<b>Charitable Activities</b>		
Staff costs	110,412	125,174
Payroll Fees	711	1,422
Staff Travel and Training	475	4,328
Other Staff Expenses	116	861
Volunteer Expenses	885	2,091
Building Repairs and Maintenance	1,999	1,204
Premises	1,669	3,220
Playground and Activities	-	4,143
Playground Repairs and Maintenance	27,261	5,721
Play Materials	1,256	828
Other Play and Activity Costs	8,335	3,534
Insurance	2,987	2,716
Professional fees and Accounting	7,715	9,341
Postage and Stationery	972	57
Telephone and Internet	1,375	541
Van expenses	2,931	4,632
Other Expenses	477	145
	<u>169,576</u>	<u>169,958</u>

## Pitsmoor Adventure Playground

### Notes to the financial statements (cont'd) for the year ended 31 March 2021

#### 4 Details of certain items of expenditure

	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
The surplus for the year is stated after charging: Independent examiner's fees	<u>275</u>	<u>275</u>

Directors did not receive any payments or expense reimbursements either this year or last.

#### 5 Staff costs

	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Gross wages	108,941	121,426
Employer's national insurance costs	<u>1,471</u>	<u>3,748</u>
	<u>110,412</u>	<u>125,174</u>

The average number of employees was 8  
Directors were not remunerated during the year, nor were they re-imbursed  
for any expenses

#### 6 Debtors (all due within one year)

	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Trade debtors	<u>-</u>	<u>8,528</u>
	<u>-</u>	<u>8,528</u>

#### 7 Creditors and accruals

	Total 2021 £	Total 2020 £
Accruals	<u>275</u>	<u>413</u>
	<u>275</u>	<u>413</u>

## Pitsmoor Adventure Playground

### Notes to the financial statements (cont'd) for the year ended 31 March 2021

#### 8 Transactions with related parties

There were no transactions with related parties, either this year or last.

<b>9 Restricted funds</b>	<b>1 April 2020</b>	<b>Incoming</b>	<b>Outgoing</b>	<b>31 March 2021</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
The Big Lottery Fund	24,283	30,000	(54,283)	-
Children in Need	3,489	42,059	(42,043)	3,505
Martin Lewis	-	5,000	(5,000)	-
Sheffield City Council - Infrastructure	-	59,500	(21,259)	38,241
Sheffield City Council - Covid Response	-	3,000	(3,000)	-
Sheffield City Council - Public Health	-	3,000	(3,000)	-
Sheffield City Council - Ward Pot	197		(197)	-
South Yorkshire Community Foundation	81	1,000	(713)	368
South Yorkshire Police & Crime Commissioner		5,000	-	5,000
Speak Up	-	500	-	500
	<u>28,050</u>	<u>149,059</u>	<u>(129,495)</u>	<u>47,614</u>