

ABBHEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

England & Wales · Charity number 1160511

Details

Other names ACST

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2015-02-16

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

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Activities

Objects: (1) THE ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT BY THE PROVISION OF FINANCIAL AND OTHER RESOURCES, SPECIALIST FACILITIES AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMES AND TRAINING AND SUPPORT FOR ABBHEY COURT (SPECIAL) SCHOOL AND OTHER SCHOOLS.(2) TO RELIEVE THE NEEDS OF CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND OTHERS WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS AND PHYSICAL AND/OR MENTAL DISABILITIES, INCLUDING THOSE WITH ACUTE SPECTRUM NEEDS, AND THEIR PARENTS AND CARERS IN MEDWAY AND THE SURROUNDING AREA BY THE PROVISION OF GRANTS TO INDIVIDUALS AND SMALL GROUPS WITH ACUTE SPECIALIST NEEDS AND TO SPECIFIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES WITH SCHOOLS AND OTHER PARTNERS SO AS TO INCREASE PROVISION AND ACCESS TO SPECIALIST EDUCATION AND HEALTHCARE.

Activities: 1. Additional facilities and equipment for the new school buildings and site where these cannot be funded by the Local Authority (to include; landscaping, provision of wheelchair access and top up equipment and facilities);2. Curriculum enrichment3. Additional therapeutic support;4. Funding for sibling and parent workshops;5. Individual communication aids.

Classification

- **How:** Makes Grants To Individuals, Makes Grants To Organisations, Provides Other Finance, Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training, The Advancement Of Health Or Saving Of Lives, Disability, The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty
- **Who:** Children/young People, People With Disabilities, Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, Other Defined Groups

Geography

- Kent
- Medway

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£16,846	£17,432	-	-
2024-08-31	£12,364	£5,533	-	-
2023-08-31	£8,893	£8,370	-	-
2022-08-31	£10,303	£1,817	-	-
2021-08-31	£203,060	£289,580	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Christine Fryers		2025-05-01
Dave Lane		2025-05-01
KAREN JOY		2014-08-14
Lydia Ogundolawa		2023-12-07
Rev JEAN KERR MA CERT ED		2017-06-20
Victoria Aspin		2022-11-25

ABBAY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

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Accounts

Charity number: 1160511

ABBAY COURT SCHOOL TRUST (CIO)

**TRUSTEES' REPORT
AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 AUGUST 2025**

ABBAY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

TITLE	ABBAY COURT SCHOOL TRUST
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER	1160511
GOVERNING INSTRUMENT	Constitution (Charitable Incorporated Organisation) dated 14 August 2014
TRUSTEES	Karen Joy (Chair) Vicky Aspin Jean Kerr Lydia Ogundolawa Christine Fryers (joined 01/05/2025) Dave Lane (joined 01/05/2025) Sue Evans (resigned 26/01/2025) Derek King (resigned 20/06/2025) Sue Vallente-Kerr (3 x 3years term of office ended 21/04/2025) Charlene Wakerell (resigned 25/09/2024)
ADDRESS	Abbey Court School Rede Court Road, Strood Kent ME2 3SP
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Richard Warnham The Westbrook Trust Byron Primary School Gillingham Kent ME7 5XX

**ABBAY COURT SCHOOL TRUST
TRUSTEES REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025**

Activities, Achievements and Future Plans

Abbey Court School Trust continues to hold meetings three times per year. We have continued to progress and think creatively to ensure our goals for the development of Larkin Farm Rural Activity Centre are achieved. Since completion of the Centre, the school has found that it requires additional support for the upkeep of the farm. The Centre is used extensively by local schools and colleges as well as Abbey Court pupils. It also provides opportunities for members of the local community for work experience and volunteering. It is an important educational resource for the local community and children/young people across Medway.

During our meetings we have reviewed existing activities, in line with the funding priorities for the Trust, which were identified as:

1. Animal feed
2. Animal welfare & living
3. Farm upkeep in general (e.g. maintenance)
4. Purchase of additional animals

The Trust had a total income for the financial year 2024-25 of £16,845.51 with outgoings of £17,432.34, making a net loss of £586.83 for the year, decreasing the bank balance to £23,383.08 to roll forward.

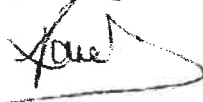
The Trust continued to run a lottery in 2024-25 (renewing its licence obtained from Gravesham and Medway Shared Licensing Services). From the overall income of £1,470 from the Lottery, a profit of £670 was made after deduction of the £800 needed for prize money. Please note that some of the income for the 2024-25 Lottery was received in advance in the previous financial year but has been included in the total figures for the draw for reporting consistency.

The Trust continues to run an Animal Adoption Scheme raising a profit of £2384.76. The increase on previous year being due to a multiple adoption donation totalling £690 from the Gallagher Group. Fundraising events were held included Sponsored Move £773.50, Silver Race £587.05, Non-uniform day £196.70, Horse Race Night £993.42, Christmas Jumper Fashion Show £466.80, Christmas Jumper Day £346.81, a Farm open day £6238.76 and Carols on the Farm £1012.87.

The Trust received corporate and community donations amounting to £650.01 which included sums from lottery winners donating back their cash prizes, local councillors and the collection tin held at a local garage. The Trust also submitted claims for current/historic Gift Aid of £792.52.

The Trust have paid £480.00 entrance fee for the London Marathon 2026 with hopes to raise £2,000 in return from sponsorship and donated £14,550 to Abbey Court Larkin Farm in October 2024.

In its tenth year, the Trust made no individual or group grants and received 0 external applications. Our fundraising for the new year will be to continue to support the school with the running costs of the farm for the benefit of children across Medway. It has been estimated that these costs will be in the region of £20,000. As a Trust, we are aiming to raise as much as we can towards these costs, so the farm is successful in providing an excellent community facility for local schools and colleges, as well as Abbey Court pupils.


Karen Joy
Chair of Trustees
Date: 30.3.26

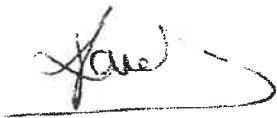
ABBHEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 4 of the Charities Act 2006 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

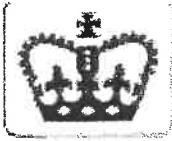
A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Karen Joy', written over a horizontal line.

Karen Joy

Chair of Trustees

Date: 30.3.26

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST
INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025



**CHARITY COMMISSION
 FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's
 report on the accounts**

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
 members of**

Charity name
ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

**On accounts for the year
 ended**

31ST AUGUST 2025 Charity no
 (if any) **1160511**

Set out on pages

AS SET OUT IN THE FINANCIAL TABLES IN THIS REPORT sheets:

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

**Responsibilities and
 basis of report**

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

**Independent
 examiner's statement**

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

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

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

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

Signed:

[Handwritten Signature]

Date:

30/03/26

Name:

RICHARD WARNHAM

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

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT

Address:

**THE WESTBROOK TRUST
 BYRON PRIMARY SCHOOL
 GILLINGHAM, KENT ME7 5XX**

ABBAY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Previous Years
	2025	2025	2025	2024
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Donations	650	0	650	1,051
Fundraising Income	16,196	0	16,196	11,313
Grants received	0	0	0	0
Total receipts	16,846	0	16,846	12,364
Payments				
Fundraising fees	-2,664	0	-2,664	2,282
Accountancy fees	-200	0	-200	325
Misc	-18	0	-18	216
Donations	-14,550	0	-14,550	2,710
Total Payments	-17,432	0	-17,432	5,533
Excess of receipts over payments for the year	-587	0	-587	6,831
Bank balance at beginning of year	23,970	0	23,970	17,139
Bank balance at end of year	23,383	0	23,383	23,970

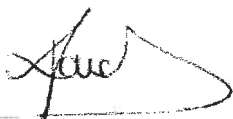
ABBHEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2025 £		2024 £	2024 £
Current Assets						
Bank Balances						
Current Accounts		23,383			23,970	
Liabilities						
			0			0
Charity Funds						
Restricted funds		0				
Unrestricted funds		23,383			23,970	
Total funds		23,383			23,970	

These financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Karen Joy

Chair of Trustees

Date: 30.3.26

ABBAY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

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ABBAY COURT SCHOOL TRUST (CIO)

**TRUSTEES' REPORT
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31 AUGUST 2024**

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

TITLE	ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER	1160511
GOVERNING INSTRUMENT	Constitution (Charitable Incorporated Organisation) dated 14 August 2014
TRUSTEES	Karen Joy (Chair) Vicky Aspin Sue Evans (future married name Davis) Derek King Sue Vallente-Kerr Rev Jean Kerr Charlene Wakerell Lydia Ogundolawa (joined 7 Dec 2023)
ADDRESS	Abbey Court School Rede Court Road, Strood Kent ME2 3SP
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Richard Warnham The Westbrook Trust Byron Primary School Gillingham Kent ME7 5XX

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

Activities, Achievements and Future Plans

Abbey Court School Trust continues to hold meetings three times per year. We have continued to progress and think creatively to ensure our goals for the development of Larkin Farm Rural Activity Centre are achieved. Since completion of the Centre, the school has found that it requires additional support for the upkeep of the farm. The Centre is used by local schools and colleges as well as Abbey Court pupils. It also provides opportunities for members of the local community for work experience and volunteering. It is an important educational resource for the local community.

During our meetings we reviewed existing activities, in line with the funding priorities for the Trust, which were identified as:

1. Animal feed
2. Animal welfare & living
3. Farm upkeep in general
4. Purchase of additional animals

The Trust had a total income for the financial year 2023-24 of £12,364.21 with outgoings of £5,533.48, making a net surplus of £6,830.73 for the year, increasing the bank balance to £23,969.91

The Trust continued to run a lottery in 2023-24 (renewing its licence obtained from Gravesham and Medway Shared Licensing Services). From the overall income of £1,770 from the Lottery, a profit of £970 was made. The 2023-24 Lottery profit is calculated using the whole income from participants in the 2023-24 Lottery Draw (less the prize money) but note that some lottery income would have been received in advance.

The Trust continues to run an Animal Adoption Scheme with the overall income of £1667.00 raising a profit of £1519.

Fundraising events were held included Spring Draw £1896, Horse Race Night £1325, Christmas Jumper Fashion Show £200.65, Christmas Jumper Day £327.98, a Farm open day (for all) £2,242.89, Farm Open Day (adoptee only) £97.01, Carols on the Farm £712.12 and school Key Stage events £158

The Trust received corporate and community donations amounting to £710.98 which included sums from lottery winners donating back their cash prizes, local councillors and the collection tin held at a local garage.

The 2022-23 Trust accounts were audited at a cost of £325 making savings on the previous service charge of £900 and plan to use the same company at a similar cost for the 2023/24 audit.

In its tenth year, the Trust made no individual or group grants and received 0 external applications.

Our fundraising for the new year will be to continue to support the school with the running costs of the farm for the benefit of children across Medway. It has been estimated that these costs will be in the region of £12,400. As a Trust, we are aiming to raise as much as we can towards these costs, so the farm is successful in providing an excellent community facility for local schools and colleges, as well as Abbey Court pupils.

Karen Joy

Chair of Trustees



Date: 27.2.25

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 4 of the Charities Act 2006 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Karen Joy

Chair of Trustees

Date: 27.2.25

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024
INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's
report on the accounts

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

On accounts for the year ended 31ST AUGUST 2024 **Charity no (if any)** 1160511

Set out on pages AS SET OUT IN THE FINANCIAL TABLES IN THIS REPORT

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 August 2024.

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

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

Independent examiner's statement I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

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

Signed:  **Date:** 27/02/25

Name: RICHARD WARNHAM

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

Address: THE WESTBROOK TRUST
 BYRON PRIMARY SCHOOL
 GILLINGHAM, KENT ME7 5XX

ABBAY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Previous Years
	2024 £	2024 £	2024 £	2023 £
Receipts				
Donations	1,051	0	1051	1,590
Fundraising Income	11,313	0	11313	7,303
Grants received	0	0	0	-
Total receipts	12,364	0	12364	8,893
Payments				
Fundraising fees	-2,282	-	-2282	6,000
Accountancy fees	-325	-	-325	840
Misc	-216	-	-216	980
Donations	-2,710	-	-2710	550
Total Payments	-5,533	0	-5533	8,370
Excess of receipts over payments for the year	6,831	0	6831	523
Bank balance at beginning of year	17,139	0	17139	16,616
Bank balance at end of year	23,970	0	23970	17,139

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2024 £	2023 £	2023 £
Current Assets					
Bank Balances					
Current Accounts		23,970		17,139	
Liabilities					
			-		-
Charity Funds					
Restricted funds		0			
Unrestricted funds		23,970		17,139	
Total funds		23,970		17,139	

These financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Karen Joy

Chair of Trustees

Date: 27.2.25.

ABBAY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

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ABBAY COURT SCHOOL TRUST (CIO)

**TRUSTEES' REPORT
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31 AUGUST 2023**

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

TITLE	ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER	1160511
GOVERNING INSTRUMENT	Constitution (Charitable Incorporated Organisation) dated 14 August 2014
TRUSTEES	Karen Joy (Chair) Vicky Aspin Sue Evans Derek King Sue Vallenta-Kerr Rev Jean Kerr Charlene Wakerell Lydia Ogundolawa (joined March 2024)
ADDRESS	Abbey Court School Rede Court Road, Strood Kent ME2 3SP
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Tracey Savage Schools Financial Services The Education People Invicta House Maidstone Kent ME14 1XX

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

Activities, Achievements and Future Plans

Abbey Court School Trust continues to hold meetings three times per year. We have continued to progress and think creatively to ensure our goals for the development of Larkin Farm Rural Activity Centre are achieved. Since completion of the Centre, the school has found that it requires additional support for the upkeep of the farm. The Centre is used by local schools and colleges as well as Abbey Court pupils. It also provides opportunities for members of the local community for work experience and volunteering. It is an important educational resource for the local community.

During our meetings we reviewed existing activities, in line with the funding priorities for the Trust, which were identified as:

1. Animal feed
2. Animal welfare & living
3. Farm upkeep in general
4. Purchase of additional animals

The Trust had a total income for the financial year 2022-23 of £8892.81 with outgoings of £8369.75, making a net surplus of £523 for the year, increasing the bank balance to £17,139.18

The Trust continued to run a lottery in 2022-23 (renewing its licence obtained from Gravesham and Medway Shared Licensing Services). From the overall income of £1,880 from the Lottery, a profit of £1,040 was made. The 2022-23 Lottery profit is calculated using the whole income from participants in the 2022-23 Lottery Draw (less the prize money) but note that some lottery income would have been received in advance.

The Trust continues to run an Animal Adoption Scheme with the overall income of £1361.00 raising a profit of £1301.25.

Fundraising events were held included a Christmas Jumper Sales £175.00, a Sponsored Swim £2346.00, a Sponsored Move by our Further Education department £265.82, a Farm open day £476.36 and local collections tins of £798.49

The Trust received corporate and community donations amounting to £1570.14 which included sums from lottery winners donating back their cash prizes, Amazon cashback scheme, a local church vicar, a charitable trust and associates/friends of the school.

The 2022-23 accounts include the costs for two years of Auditor's fees at a total cost of £1,800 for both years. For 2023/24, the Trust have changed Auditors to one that can offer their services at a much-reduced rate helping to reduce outgoings.

The Trust used £5,650 of monies raised and donated to purchase two Valais blacknose sheep and a duck enclosure for Larkin Farm.

In its ninth year, the Trust made no individual or group grants and received 0 external applications.

Our fundraising for the new year will be to continue to support the school with the running costs of the farm for the benefit of children across Medway. It has been estimated that these costs will be in the region of £20,000. As a Trust, we are aiming to raise as much as we can towards these costs, so the farm is successful in providing an excellent community facility for local schools and colleges, as well as Abbey Court pupils.

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 4 of the Charities Act 2006 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Karen Joy', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Karen Joy

Chair of Trustees

Date: 6.6.2024

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023
INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT



**CHARITY COMMISSION
 FOR ENGLAND AND WALES**

**Independent examiner's report
 on the accounts**

Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/directors/members of	Abbey Court School Trust		
On accounts for the year ended	31 st August 2023		
	Charity no.:	1160511	Company no.:
Set out on pages	As set out in the financial tables in this report		

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 / 08 / 2023.

As the charity's trustees of the Company (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law), you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ("the 2006 Act").

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

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) which gives me cause to believe that:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS102).

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

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

Signed:	<i>T. Savage</i>	Date:	<i>20 June 2014</i>
Name:	Tracy Savage		
Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):	The Education People – Schools Financial Services		
Address:	Invicta House		
	Maldstone, Kent		
	ME14 1XX		

Section B Disclosure

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

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

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	Previous Years
	2023 £	2023 £	2023 £	2022 £
Receipts				
Donations	1,590	0	1,590	1,457
Fundraising Income	7,303	0	7,303	8,846
Grants received	0	0	0	-
Total receipts	8,893	0	8,893	10,303
Payments				
Fundraising fees	-6,000	-	-6,000	1,797
Accountancy fees	-840	-	-840	-
Misc	-980	-	-980	20
Donations	-550	-	-550	-
Total Payments	-8,370	0	-8,370	1,817
Excess of receipts over payments for the year	523	0	523	8,486
Bank balance at beginning of year	16,616	0	16,616	8,130
Bank balance at end of year	17,139	0	17,139	16,616

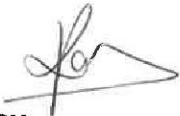
ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2023 £	2022 £	2022 £
Current Assets					
Bank Balances					
Current Accounts		17,139		16,616	
Liabilities					
			-		-
Charity Funds					
Restricted funds		0		5,000	
Unrestricted funds		17,139		11,616	
Total funds		17,139		16,616	

These financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Karen Joy

Chair of Trustees

Date: 6.6.2024

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1160511

Accounts

ABBAY COURT SCHOOL TRUST (CIO)

**TRUSTEES' REPORT
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31 AUGUST 2022**

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

TITLE	ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER	1160511
GOVERNING INSTRUMENT	Constitution (Charitable Incorporated Organisation) dated 14 August 2014
TRUSTEES	Karen Joy Derek King Pauline Milton Sue Vallenta-Kerr Rev Jean Kerr Charlene Wakerell Sue Evans (appointed 27/05/2022) Vicky Aspin (appointed 25/11/2022)
ADDRESS	Abbey Court School Rede Court Road, Strood Kent ME2 3SP
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Samuel Ketcher FCCA Williams Giles Professional Services Ltd 12 Conqueror Court Sittingbourne Kent ME10 5BH

ABBNEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

Activities, Achievements and Future Plans

Abbey Court School Trust continues to hold meetings three times per year, but since Covid restrictions have been lifted we now hold them in the school rather than on ZOOM. Our fundraising this year has returned to our normal in-house events as well as including new ideas for raising funds. We have continued to progress and think creatively to ensure our goals for the development of Larkin Farm, our Rural Activity Centre, are achieved. Since completion of the Centre, the school has found that it requires additional support for the upkeep of the farm. As the Centre is used by local schools and colleges as well as Abbey Court pupils, we decided midyear to change our fundraising focus from the refurbishment of the current Secondary Site Courtyard, to giving more support to the running costs and upkeep of the farm.

During our meetings we reviewed existing, as well as new activities, in line with the changing funding priorities for the Trust, which were identified as:

1. Purchase of additional farm animals
2. Animal feed
3. Animal welfare
4. Farm upkeep in general

During the past two Covid years the Trustees have continued to identify potential funding sources, discussed at each meeting. The community support for Trust events/ initiatives has been tremendous during these difficult times, but there has been no community led matched fundraising events.

The Trust continued to run a lottery (renewing its licence obtained from Gravesham and Medway Shared Licensing Services). From our income of £1,740 from the Lottery, we made an overall surplus of £1,050 over the year.

Fundraising events led by Trustees and members of the school community have resulted in securing £5081.75 surplus after costs. These were Animal Adoption Scheme £2055.35, Easter Grand Prize Draw £2,245 and The Pig Race £781.40. We were very fortunate to have £500 donated to cover the prizes and printing costs for the Easter Grand Prize Draw.

In addition, the Trust received corporate and community donations amounting to £823.30.

The Trust continues to raise small sums through a number of online initiatives totalling £1241.24, plus £30 Gift Aid.

In its eighth year, the Trust made no individual or group grants and received 0 external applications.

At the last Trust meeting of the school year the school made a request to the Trust to purchase two rare breed sheep for Larkin Farm and this was agreed. The pupils have been to visit the lambs over the Summer months and they should be ready to join the farm in the Autumn. The payment for the sheep will be once they have been delivered to the school in the new term. So the money for these animals are not on this current set of accounts but has been committed for the new year 2022/23.

Our fundraising for the new year will be to continue to support the school with the running costs of the farm for the benefit of children across Medway. It has been estimated that these costs will be in the region of £20,000. As a Trust, we are aiming to raise as much as we can towards these costs, so the farm is successful in providing an excellent community facility for local schools and colleges, as well as Abbey Court pupils.

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 4 of the Charities Act 2006 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:



Pauline Milton

Chair of Trustees

Date: 1/6/23

ABBHEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT

I report on the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2022 which are set out on pages 7 to 8.

This report is made solely to the Charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the Charity's Trustee as a body, for my work or for this report.

Respective responsibilities of Trustee and examiner

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements, and they consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the financial statements under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act; and
- 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 financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, and seeking explanations from you as Trustee 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 financial statements present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022
INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention 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 Act; and
- to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Act have not been met; or

to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.

Signed:

Dated:

Samuel Ketcher FCCA

Williams Giles Professional Services Ltd

12 Conqueror Court

Sittingbourne

Kent

ME10 5BH

ABBAY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

	Notes	2022 £	2022 £	2021 £	2021 £
Current Assets					
Bank Balances					
Current Accounts		16,616		8,130	
Liabilities					
Loan			-		-
Charity Funds					
Restricted funds		-		-	
Unrestricted funds:				8,130	
- General		11,616			
- Designated		5,000			
Total funds		16,616		8,130	

These financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

P. Milton

Pauline Milton

Chair of Trustees

Date: 1/6/23

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	
	2022 £	2022 £	2022 £	2021 £
Receipts				
Donations	1,457	-	1,457	15,384
Fundraising Income	8,846	-	8,846	11,676
Grants received	-	-	-	176,000
Total receipts	10,303	-	10,303	203,060
Payments				
Fundraising fees	1,797	-	1,797	288,700
Accountancy fees	-	-	-	840
Misc	20	-	20	40
Donations	-	-	-	-
Total Payments	1,817	-	1,817	289,580
Excess of receipts over payments for the year	8,486	-	8,486	(86,520)
Bank balance at beginning of year	8,130	-	8,130	94,650
Bank balance at end of year	16,616	-	16,616	8,130

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

England & Wales - Charity number 1160511

Accounts

ABBAY COURT SCHOOL TRUST (CIO)

**TRUSTEES' REPORT
AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 AUGUST 2021**

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

TITLE	ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST
CHARITY REGISTRATION NUMBER	1160511
GOVERNING INSTRUMENT	Constitution (Charitable Incorporated Organisation) dated 14 August 2014
TRUSTEES	Karen Joy Derek King (Appointed 28 June 2021) Pauline Milton Sue Vallenta-Kerr Rev Jean Kerr Sandra Jones (Resigned 14 June 2021) Charlene Wakerell
ADDRESS	Abbey Court School Rede Court Road Strood Kent ME2 3SP
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER	Samuel Ketcher FCCA Williams Giles Professional Services Ltd 12 Conqueror Court Sittingbourne Kent ME10 5BH

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

Activities, Achievements and Future Plans

Abbey Court School Trust continues to hold termly meetings by Zoom, as it has throughout the pandemic. It has been a challenging time for everybody. Our usual fundraising during this time has been difficult but we have succeeded to make progress and think creatively to ensure that our goals for developing Larkin Farm, our Rural Activity Centre, have been achieved. Focus has been on development of the classroom to enable the facility to be fully inclusive and accessible by all the pupils and visitors. During our meetings we reviewed existing, as well as our new activities, in line with the initial funding priorities for the Trust, which were identified as follows:-

1. Additional facilities and equipment where these cannot be funded by the Local Authority (to include; landscaping, provision of wheelchair access and top up equipment and facilities);
2. Curriculum enrichment;
3. Additional therapeutic support;
4. Funding for sibling and parent workshops;
5. Communication aids.

Trustees have an ongoing commitment to identify potential funding sources, and feedback at each meeting, to provide opportunities to support community giving.

In its seventh year, the Trust made no individual or group grants and received no external applications.

The Trust continued to run a lottery (renewing its licence obtained from Gravesham and Medway Shared Licensing Services). In total, 215 lottery entries were signed up at a cost of £10 per year, totalling income of £2,150. This was an increase of 1 additional entry from the previous year. The annual prizes totalled £800, and therefore the lottery saw a profit of £1,350 in its fourth year. The Trust also continued its lottery gift voucher scheme to generate interest for future years.

Throughout the year, the Trust has submitted grant applications to secure funds for various projects, resulting in successful bids as follows:-

Rural Activity Centre (Larkin Farm): Baily Thomas Charitable Fund (£20,000 initial + £5,000 final), Garfield Weston Foundation (£50,000), The Clothworkers Foundation (£25,000) Beatrice Laing Trust (£6,000) The Edward Gostling Foundation (£20,000) and The Wolfson Foundation (£50,000).

Fundraising events led by Trustees and members of the school community have resulted in securing £10,808.45. These have included: Pupils Sponsored Walk (£5,679.84), Trustee Sponsored Walk Virtually from Lands' End to John O'Groats (£2,400), Christmas Jumper Day (£241) and Fundraising for Farm Classroom (£716 + £1,771.61).

In addition, the Trust received corporate and community donations amounting to £12,692.85 via Strood Rotary Club (£500), Julia Barton (£100 +£10), in memory of pupil's Grandmother (£70), C. Pickett (£10), G. Hoskins (£48.50), S. Jones (£400), Gallagher Group (£1000), Parishioner at All Saints Church (£35), Mr and Mrs Morrison (£40), Anonymous (£38.65), Robin Hood Service Station (£181.94), R. Wilks (£100), HIP (£10,000), S. Evans (£10), G. Astwood (£50), S. Sparkes (£21.96), P & J Kerr (£50), C. Wakerell (£14.76) and anonymous foreign currency (£12.04).

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

TRUSTEES REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

The Trust continues to raise small sums through Kindlink (on-line giving platform), Paypal Giving, Easy Fundraising and Amazon Smile (the latter two are both on-line shopping initiatives) totalling £828.52, plus £30 Gift Aid.

A total sum of £288,009.62 was paid to Abbey Court School in settlement of invoices for Larkin Farm projects.

Our new projects for 2021/22 will be: the refurbishment of the current Secondary Site Courtyard, as an outdoor cinema and the development of Forest school activities.

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the requirements of section 4 of the Charities Act 2006 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's general guidance on public benefit.

Approved by order of the members of the board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Pauline Milton

Chair of Trustees

Date:

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT

I report on the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2021 which are set out on pages 5 to 6.

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Respective responsibilities of Trustee and examiner

The Charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements, and they consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

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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 financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, and seeking explanations from you as Trustee 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 financial statements present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021
INDEPENDENT EXAMINERS' REPORT

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

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Signed:

Dated:

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ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds	
	2021 £	2021 £	2021 £	2020 £
Receipts				
Donations	5,384	10,000	15,384	9,086
Fundraising Income	11,676	-	11,676	15,013
Grants received	-	176,000	176,000	49,725
Total receipts	17,060	186,000	203,060	73,824
Payments				
Fundraising fees	19,588	269,112	288,700	51,222
Accountancy fees	-	840	840	1,680
Misc	40	-	40	41
Donations	-	-	-	-
Total Payments	19,628	269,952	289,580	52,943
Excess of receipts over payments for the year	(2,568)	(83,952)	(86,520)	20,881
Bank balance at beginning of year	10,698	83,952	94,650	73,769
Bank balance at end of year	8,130	-	8,130	94,650

ABBEY COURT SCHOOL TRUST

STATEMENT OF ASSEST AND LIABILITIES

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

	Notes	2021 £	2021 £	2020 £	2020 £
Current Assets					
Bank Balances					
Current Accounts		8,130		94,650	
Liabilities					
Loan			-		5,000
Charity Funds					
Restricted funds		-		83,952	
Unrestricted funds		8,130		5,698	
Total funds		8,130		89,650	

These financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Pauline Milton

Chair of Trustees

Date: