

# LADYBIRD PLAYGROUP THRILOW

England & Wales · Charity number 1162435

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2015-06-26

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

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** THE CHARITY WORKS FOR THE PUBLIC BENEFIT HAVING AS ITS OBJECTS THE DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN PARTICULAR BY:(1) PROMOTING THEIR CARE AND SAFETY;(2) PROMOTING THEIR EDUCATION AND PROMOTING PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT;(3) PROMOTING THEIR HEALTH AND WELLBEING;(4) PROVIDING SERVICES TO SUPPORT THEM AND THEIR FAMILIES AND CARERS;(5) PROVIDING SERVICES TO INDIVIDUALS HOLDING MEMBERSHIP OF THE CIO; AND(6) FURTHERING THE AIMS OF THE PRE-SCHOOL LEARNING ALLIANCE.

**Activities:** Ladybird Playgroup is a playgroup, running on the same site as Thriplow Primary School. It takes children from 2.5 years, operating 5 days a week, term-time only.

## Classification

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- **How:** Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People

## Geography

- Cambridgeshire

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-08-30	£100,245	£92,252	-	-
2023-08-30	£100,919	£92,901	-	-
2022-08-30	£74,576	£77,369	-	-
2021-08-30	£89,845	£95,584	-	-
2020-08-30	£125,768	£110,982	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
<b>Nadia de Wouters d'Oplinter</b>	Chair	2025-10-21
Camilla Jane Johnstone		2025-10-21
Jasmin Osman		2025-10-21
Jayne Emily Pashley		2024-10-15
Lindsey Jane Crow		2025-10-21
Sharon McGinty		2017-08-23

**LADYBIRD PLAYGROUP THRILOW**

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# Accounts

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023 Period start date to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024

Period end date

Charity name: Ladybird Playgroup and Pre-School

Charity registration number: 1162435

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<b>The purpose of the Ladybird Playgroup and Preschool Charity is to work for public benefit. There objects are to develop and enable the development and education of all children and young people accessing the service.</b>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<b>To provide an early year setting for children to be able to learn in a safe environment and in a safe way.</b>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<b>Yes, all the Trustees have read the guidance issued by the Charities Commission on Public Benefit</b>

## Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<p><b>The Charity continues to move through financially challenging times.</b></p> <p><b>We have made a difficult decision to have to increase our Playgroup Fees again, to offset the continuing low numbers attending, and the rising costs for the Playgroup including previously low funding payments. The Committee have to be aware of rising costs for families as well. However, numbers of children as a whole using the service continued to be low at the start of the year with a slight increase heading towards the end of the year.</b></p> <p><b>We hope that an increase in the funding received from the County Council for the Children attending the setting will help in sustaining the setting, and the potential of an increase to funding available for families of younger children will help increase numbers. The setting will need to continue to look at fees going forward and look to increase these inline with funding and other settings in the surrounding area.</b></p> <p><b>Breakfast club numbers have remained low, and we continue to work with the school to advertise and provide wrap around care. There has also been an increase in the Breakfast Club Fees to try and off set the low numbers attending and increase costs.</b></p> <p><b>The staff/ committee / trustees have continued to organise fundraising activities to support purchasing additional educational equipment to support the children.</b></p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p><b>Reserves fall into 3 categories:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Unrestricted Funds (cover staff costs and those of administration and support without which Ladybird could not operate.)</b></li> <li><b>2. Restricted funds, (donations and grants for a specific purpose)</b></li> <li><b>3. Designated Funds (amounts specifically excluded from being used to meet the day-to-day running costs of Ladybird. Sums raised through fundraising activities fall into this category)</b></li> </ol>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£80K
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>The Charity has been able to work providing a valuable and inclusive service to children and the young people. The staff and committee continue to give support to families by enabling the service to continue being flexible in staffing and sessions</p> <p>There has been an uptake of families wishing to utilise the new funding for children aged 2years where families are entitled to do so. But where families are they are sticking to 15hrs and not extending past this. Parents of 3 &amp; 4 year olds also <i>continue</i> to not extend their child's hours past the statutory 15hrs funding, with the cost of living crisis being on the forefront of parents minds, unless they are entitle to the 30hrs funding.</p> <p>The charity has continued to support the local primary school with facilitating a Breakfast Club which enables wrap around care and enabling parents to be able to return to their place of work, but again numbers remain very low. An early bug club (drop off at 8.30am with no breakfast, lower cost) has increased numbers, with also offering to some younger pre-school children as well as the school children.</p>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

## Financial Review

Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<b>Ladybird Playgroup and Preschool position is more healthy than in previous years, with an increase in attendees, increase in fees across the setting. Due to our previous successful years, we have a healthy balance and reserves to support the Playgroup through these uncertain times. But with another increase in minimum wage, changes in the NI employers payment levels and a drop in the age for funding, Staff and the committee need to be mindful of finances going forward. Fundraising has increased income which has helped support and renew the playgroup equipment.</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

### Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		<b>The Charities Trustees consists of 6 people, whom have or had a child at Ladybird Play Group and Preschool. They come from all walks of life to come together for the benefit of the charity to ensure its integrity and success.</b>
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	<b>Constitution</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>CIO</b>
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled	Para 1.25	<b>Prior to the AGM information is shared and emailed out asking any interested parties to attend the AGM and to be nominated and seconded to join the Ladybird Playgroup Charity as</b>

to appoint one or more trustees

**committee members. Trustees are nominated and elected into post.**

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Ladybird Playgroup and Pre-School
Other name the charity uses	Ladybird Playgroup
Registered charity number	1162435
Charity's principal address	School Lane Thriplow SG8 7RH

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Diane Eichelsheim	Chairperson	From Oct 2023	
2	Julie McGiffen	Treasurer	From Oct 2023	
3	Guy Trussell		From Oct 2023	
4	Jayne Pashley		From Oct 2024	
5	Sharon McGinty		From April 2022	
6	Jules White		Until Oct 2024	
7	Natalie Barker		Until Oct 2024	
8	Pedro Pinheiro		Until Oct 2024	
9	David De Girolama		From Feb 2025	
10				
11				

### Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

### Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

## Exemptions from disclosure


Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

## Other optional information

## Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

### Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	D Eichelsheim	
Full name(s)	Diane Eichelsheim	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chairperson	
Date	April 2025	

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND  
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND  
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024  
FOR  
LADYBIRD PLAYGROUP THRIFLOW

Thompson Taraz Rand Ltd  
Chartered Accountants  
10 Jesus Lane  
Cambridge  
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

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**LADYBIRD PLAYGROUP THRIELOW**  
**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2024. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

**Objectives and aims**

The purpose of the Ladybird Playgroup and Preschool Charity is to work for public benefit. There are objectives are to develop and enable the development and education of all children and young people accessing the service. It is also to provide an early year setting for children to be able to learn in a safe environment and in a safe way.

**ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE**

**Charitable activities**

The charity has been able to work providing a valuable and inclusive service to children and the young people. The staff and committee continue to give support to families by enabling the service to continue being flexible in staffing and sessions.

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

**Charity constitution**

The Charities Trustees consists of 8 people, whom have had a child at Ladybird Group and Preschool. They come from all walks of life to come together for the benefit of the charity to ensure its integrity and success.

Average number of employees for the period was 5. (2023: 5)

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

**Registered Company number**

CE004900 (England and Wales)

**Registered Charity number**

1162435

**Registered office**

School Lane  
Thriplow  
Hertfordshire  
SG8 7RH

**Trustees**

All the trustees have read the guidance issued by the Charities Commission on Public Benefit

**Independent Examiner**

Andrew Rand  
Thompson Taraz Rand Ltd  
Chartered Accountants  
10 Jesus Lane  
Cambridge  
Cambridgeshire  
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Approved by order of the board of trustees on 19 June 2025 and signed on its behalf by:

LADYBIRD PLAYGROUP THRIPLAW  
REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

The Trustees of Ladybird Playgroup Thriplaw have pleasure in presenting to you the accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 and the Companies (Accounts) Regulations 2008. The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.

Ms D L Eichelshaim - Trustee



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The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of the Companies Act 2006 and the Companies (Accounts) Regulations 2008. The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.

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**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF  
LADYBIRD PLAYGROUP THRIPLow**

**Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Ladybird Playgroup Thriplow ('the Company')**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31 August 2024.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the charity's trustees of the Company (and also its directors 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 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 matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe:

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

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

Andrew Rand  
The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales

Thompson Taras Rand Ltd  
Chartered Accountants  
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19 June 2025

## LADYBIRD PLAYGROUP THRIFLOW

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

	Notes	2024 Unrestricted fund £	2023 Total funds £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>			
Other trading activities	2	100,245	100,918
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>			
Charitable activities	3		
Raising donations and legacies		82,655	
Other		9,597	9,497
<b>Total</b>		<b>92,252</b>	<b>9,497</b>
<b>NET INCOME</b>		<b>7,993</b>	<b>91,421</b>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>			
Total funds brought forward		128,026	120,009
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>136,019</b>	<b>211,430</b>

## LADYBIRD PLAYGROUP THRIELOW

BALANCE SHEET  
31 AUGUST 2024

	Notes	2024 Unrestricted fund £	2023 Total funds £
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash at bank and in hand		136,097	129,764
<b>CREDITORS</b>			
Amounts falling due within one year	8	(1,702)	(1,738)
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>134,395</u>	<u>128,026</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>134,395</u>	<u>128,026</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>134,395</u>	<u>128,026</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>			
Unrestricted funds	9	<u>134,395</u>	<u>128,026</u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<u>134,395</u>	<u>128,026</u>

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 475A of the Companies Act 2006 relating to subsidiary charitable companies for the year ended 31 August 2024.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2024 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for

- ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

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

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 19 June 2025 and were signed on its behalf by:

O L Eichelsheim - Trustee

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The notes form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES****Basis of preparing the financial statements**

The financial statements of the charitable company, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Companies Act 2006. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

**Income**

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

**Expenditure**

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

**Taxation**

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

**Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for 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.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

**Hire purchase and leasing commitments**

Rentals paid under operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the period of the lease.

**Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits**

The charitable company operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charitable company's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

## LADYBIRD PLAYGROUP THRIPLow

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

## 2. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2024	2023
	£	£
Fundraising events	100,245	100,918

## 3. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct Costs
	£
Raising donations and legacies	82,655

## 4. NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)

Net income/(expenditure) is stated after charging/(crediting):

	2024	2023
	£	£
Other operating leases	1,779	1,500

## 5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 August 2024 nor for the year ended 31 August 2023.

## Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 August 2024 nor for the year ended 31 August 2023.

## 6. STAFF COSTS

	2024	2023
	£	£
Wages and salaries	74,286	74,297
Other pension costs	3,050	3,828
	<u>77,336</u>	<u>78,125</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2024	2023
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No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

## LADYBIRD PLAYGROUP THRIFLOW

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES		Unrestricted fund
		£
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM</b>		
Other trading activities		100,918
<b>EXPENDITURE ON</b>		
Other		9,497
<b>NET INCOME</b>		<u>91,421</u>
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>		
Total funds brought forward		120,009
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<u>211,430</u>

8. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR		2024	2023
		£	£
Trade creditors		368	-
Other creditors		1,034	1,738
Accrued expenses		300	-
		<u>1,702</u>	<u>1,738</u>

9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		At 1/9/23	Net movement in funds	At 31/8/24
		£	£	£
Unrestricted funds				
General fund		128,026	6,369	134,395
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		<u>128,026</u>	<u>6,369</u>	<u>134,395</u>

## LADYBIRD PLAYGROUP THRIPLow

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

## 9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	100,245	(93,876)	6,369
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>100,245</b>	<b>(93,876)</b>	<b>6,369</b>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/9/22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/8/23 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	120,009	8,017	128,026
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>120,009</b>	<b>8,017</b>	<b>128,026</b>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	100,918	(92,901)	8,017
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>100,918</b>	<b>(92,901)</b>	<b>8,017</b>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/9/22 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/8/24 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	120,009	14,386	134,395
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>120,009</b>	<b>14,386</b>	<b>134,395</b>

LADYBIRD PLAYGROUP THRIPLow

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

9. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	2024	2023	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds					
General fund			201,163	(186,777)	14,386
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>			<b>201,163</b>	<b>(186,777)</b>	<b>14,386</b>

10. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 August 2024.

	2024	2023	2022
Income			
Expenses			
Assets			
Liabilities			
Reserves			
Income			
Expenses			
Assets			
Liabilities			
Reserves			

## LADYBIRD PLAYGROUP THRIELOW

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
<b>INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS</b>		
Other trading activities		
Fundraising events	100,245	100,918
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>100,245</b>	<b>100,918</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Wages	74,286	74,297
Pensions	3,050	3,828
Rent	1,779	1,500
Sundries	186	311
Breakfast club	222	123
Children Learning Gifts	32	54
DBS Checks	487	104
First Aid	62	62
ICO	35	35
Equipment	898	147
Insurance	794	758
Play & Craft materials	554	648
Play Equipment	139	62
PPL	131	118
	<b>82,655</b>	<b>82,047</b>
<b>Other</b>		
Cleaning	994	1,518
Staff gifts	648	500
Staff training	674	212
Stationary	1,793	1,612
Subscriptions and membership	834	697
Advertising	262	-
Rates & Water	3,064	3,693
Telephone	1,328	1,265
	<b>9,597</b>	<b>9,497</b>
<b>Total resources expended</b>	<b>92,252</b>	<b>91,544</b>
<b>Net income</b>	<b>7,993</b>	<b>9,374</b>

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Diane Eisenstein

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**LADYBIRD PLAYGROUP THRILOW**

England & Wales - Charity number 1162435

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# Accounts

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022 Period start date to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023

Period end date

Charity name: Ladybird Playgroup and Pre-School

Charity registration number: 1162435

### Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<b>The purpose of the Ladybird Playgroup and Preschool Charity is to work for public benefit. There objects are to develop and enable the development and education of all children and young people accessing the service.</b>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<b>To provide an early year setting for children to be able to learn in a safe environment and in a safe way.</b>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<b>Yes, all the Trustees have read the guidance issued by the Charities Commission on Public Benefit</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p><b>The Charity has been able to work providing a valuable and inclusive service to children and the young people in yet another exceedingly financially difficult year. The staff and committee continue to give support to families by enabling the service to continue being flexible in staffing and sessions</b></p> <p><b>There has been a continued slow return of children to the setting, however numbers have been and are continuing to be low. Parents <i>continue</i> to not extending their child's hours past the statutory 15hrs funding, with the cost of living crisis being on the forefront of parents minds</b></p> <p><b>The charity has continued to support the local primary school with facilitating a Breakfast Club which enables wrap around care and enabling parents to be able to return to their place of work, but again numbers remain low. An early bug club (drop off at 8.30am with no breakfast, lower cost) has increased numbers, with also offering to some younger pre-school children as well as the school children.</b></p>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<b>The Charity continues to move through a financially challenging year.</b>
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		<p>We have made a difficult decision to have to increase our Playgroup Fees, to offset the continuing low numbers attending, and the rising costs for the Playgroup, yet being aware of rising costs for families as well. However, numbers of children as a whole using the service continued to be low at the start of the year with a slight increase heading towards the end of the year. We hope that an increase in the funding received from the County Council for the Children attending the setting will help in sustaining the setting, and the potential of an increase to funding available for families of younger children will help increase numbers. The setting will need to continue to look at fees going forward and look to increase these inline with funding and other settings in the surrounding area.</p> <p>Breakfast club numbers have remained low, and we continue to work with the school to advertise and provide wrap around care. There has also been an increase in the Breakfast Club Fees to try and off set the low numbers attending and increase costs.</p> <p>The staff/ committee / trustees have continued to organise fundraising activities to support purchasing additional educational equipment to support the children.</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p><b>Reserves fall into 3 categories:</b></p> <p><b>1. Unrestricted Funds (cover staff costs and those of administration and support without which Ladybird could not operate.)</b></p> <p><b>2. Restricted funds, (donations and grants for a specific purpose)</b></p> <p><b>3. Designated Funds (amounts specifically excluded from being used to meet the day-to-day running costs of Ladybird. Sums raised through fundraising activities fall into this category)</b></p>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>£80K</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	<b>N/A</b>
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	<b>N/A</b>
Explanation of any	Para 1.23	<b>Ladybird Playgroup and Preschool</b>

uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern		position is more healthy than in previous years, with an increase in attendees, increase in fees across the setting. Due to our previous successful years, we have a healthy balance and reserves to support the Playgroup through these uncertain times. But with a continued increase in minimum wage and a drop in the age for funding, Staff and the committee need to be mindful of finances going forward. Fundraising has increased income which has helped support and renew the playgroup equipment.
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### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

### Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		The Charities Trustees consists of 8 people, whom have or had a child at Ladybird Play Group and Preschool. They come from all walks of life to come together for the benefit of the charity to ensure its integrity and success.
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Constitution
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	CIO
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Prior to the AGM information is shared and emailed out asking any interested parties to attend the AGM and to be nominated and seconded to join the Ladybird Playgroup Charity as committee members. Trustees are nominated and elected into post.

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Ladybird Playgroup and Pre-School
Other name the charity uses	Ladybird Playgroup
Registered charity number	1162435
Charity's principal address	School Lane Thriplow SG8 7RH

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Brian Symes	Chairperson	Until Oct 2023	
2	Diane Eichelsheim	Chairperson	From Oct 2023	
3	Tracey Dervish	Treasurer	Until Oct 2023	
4	Julie McGiffen	Treasurer	From Oct 2023	
5	Heather Bell	Secretary	From Oct 2023	
6	Stephen Woodard	Fundraising	Until Oct 2023	
7	Jules White			
8	Natalie Barker			
9	Pedro Pinheiro			
10	Guy Trussell		From Oct 2023	
11	Sharon McGinty	Playgroup Leader	From 28/4/22	

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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### Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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### Other optional information

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### Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

#### Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s) D Eichelsheim



Full name(s) Diane Eichelsheim

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc) Chairperson

Date December 2024

Ladybird Playgroup Thriplow

**Charity Number – 1162435**

Income and Expenditure Accounts

For the year ended

31<sup>st</sup> August 2023

Ladybird Playgroup Thriplow

Balance Sheet

As at 31st August 2023

	2023	2022
<b>Assets</b>		
<b>Cash at Bank:</b>		
Lloyds Current	85,728.82	76,429.66
Lloyds Treasurers	43,989.98	43,881.27
Lloyds BB Instant	1.00	1.00
<b>Petty Cash</b>	<u>45.00</u>	<u>1,171.86</u>
	129,764.80	121,483.79
<b>Liabilities</b>		
PAYE Creditor	-1,738.31	-995.72
Other Creditor	<u>0.00</u>	<u>-479.57</u>
	<u>128,026.49</u>	<u>120,008.50</u>
Reserve Fund 1st September 2022	120,008.50	122,802.11
Add: Income over Expenditure	<u>8,017.99</u>	<u>-2,783.61</u>
	<u>128,026.49</u>	<u>120,018.50</u>

**Ladybird Playgroup Thriplow**

**Income and Expenditure Account  
for the year ended  
31st August 2023**

		2023		2022	
		£	£	£	£
<b>Income</b>					
<b>Fees</b>	Cambs County Council	55,944.30		56,227.68	
	Other	<u>37,531.07</u>	93,475.37	<u>9,960.80</u>	66,188.48
<b>Fundraising</b>	Other (loss)	-9.25		0	
	Xmas Cards	82.3		75.6	
	Daffodil	2,216.01		1,903.48	
	Cakes	0.00		186.60	
	Uniform	0.00		4.00	
	Christmas	415.38		907.48	
	Ice Creams	0.00		153.40	
	100 Club	260.50		298.05	
	Raffle	0.00		398.45	
	Coronation Event	594.00		0.00	
	Tesco	234.53		0.00	
	Treasure Hunt	<u>106.71</u>	3,900.18	<u>0.00</u>	3,927.06
	Donations		16.95		54.42
	Just Giving		0		28.83
	Bounce Bank		0		168.6
	Sundries		0		450.65
	Breakfast Club		3,526.34		3,557.80
	Registration Fees		<u>0</u>		<u>200</u>
<b>Total Income</b>			<u><u>100,918.84</u></u>		<u><u>74,575.84</u></u>

Ladybird Playgroup Thriplow

**Income and Expenditure Account  
for the year ended  
31st August 2023**

Expenditure	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
Accountancy		300.00		300.00
Adverts		0.00		136.80
Breakfast Club		123.29		0.00
Capital Equipment		0		424.91
Children Learning Gifts		53.74		0
Cleaning		1,517.90		1,157.61
Committee expenses		0.00		63.98
DBS Checks		104.00		65.00
Equipment		147.04		287.37
First Aid		61.62		0.00
ICO		35.00		35.00
Insurance		758.11		736.45
Maintenance and Repairs		8.98		143.14
Ofsted		35.00		35.00
Payroll Service Costs		676.20		859.80
Play and Craft Materials		648.01		709.64
Play Equipment		61.98		0.00
PPL		118.39		108.43
Quickbooks		345.60		304.80
Rent		1,500.00		1,500.00
Snacks		301.70		177.03
Sports Coaching		0.00		425.00
Staff Wages cost		74,296.51		63,523.98
Staff pension		3,828.37		1,291.86
Staff gifts		500.00		500.00
Staff training		211.60		1,308.20
Stationery		1,612.31		1,366.31
Subscriptions and Memberships		697.29		767.30
Telephone		1,265.46		1,141.84
Utility		3692.75		0
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b><u>92,900.85</u></b>		<b><u>77,369.45</u></b>
<b>Surplus of Income over Expenditure</b>		<b><u>8,017.99</u></b>		<b><u>-2793.61</u></b>



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees

Charity Name: Ladybird Playgroup Thriplow

On accounts for the year ended

31st August 2023 Charity no (if any): 1162435

Set out on pages

Pages 1-2

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

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

Independent examiner's statement

[The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of [insert name of applicable listed body]]. Delete [ ] if not applicable.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below \*) which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

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

Signed: [Signature] FCCA Date: 03/12/2024

Name: Colin Dennis Taylor FCCA - Taylor & Co.

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body

Association of Chartered Certified Accountants - ACCA

(if any):

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**Address:**

Taylor & Co. – The Sycamores, 43 Kneesworth Street

Royston, Herts

SG8 5AB

**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.**

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**LADYBIRD PLAYGROUP THRILOW**

England & Wales - Charity number 1162435

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# Accounts

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1<sup>st</sup> September 2021 Period start date to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022

Period end date

**Charity name: Ladybird Playgroup and Pre-School**

**Charity registration number: 1162435**

### Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The purpose of the Ladybird Playgroup and Preschool Charity is to work for public benefit. There objects are to develop and enable the development and education of all children and young people accessing the service.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	To provide an early year setting for children to be able to learn is a safe environment and in a safe way.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Yes, all the Trustees have read the guidance issued by the Charities Commission on Public Benefit

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

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Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>The Charity has been able to work providing a valuable and inclusive service to children and the young people in yet another exceedingly financially difficult year. The support the staff and committee have given to the families by enabling the service to remain open initially for those families and children of keyworkers, but then to re-open for all as families felt safe to attend.</p> <p>There has been a continued slow return of children to the setting, however numbers have been and are continuing to be low. Parents <i>continue</i> to not extend their child's hours past the statutory 15hrs funding.</p> <p>The charity has continued to support the local primary school with facilitating a Breakfast Club which enables wrap around care, enabling parents to be able to return to their place of work, but again numbers are low as parents do not have the need for this provision, with many continuing to work from home.</p>

### Additional information (optional)

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Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<p>The Charity continues to move through a financially challenging year.</p> <p>We have decided not to increase fees of the Playgroup, being aware of rising costs for families, and a continuing slow increase in Numbers. Numbers of children as a whole using the service continued to be low</p>
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		<p>at the start of the year with a slight increase heading towards the end of the year. Breakfast club numbers have remained low, and we continue to work with the school to advertise and provide wrap around care.</p> <p>The committee have also had to gauge the impact of the increase in minimum wage on the setting. Due to years prior to COVID being extremely busy it is believed the setting will be able to maintain their financial position without having to increase fees for families.</p> <p>The staff/ committee / trustees have continued to organise fundraising activities to support purchasing additional educational equipment to support the children.</p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p>Reserves fall into 3 categories:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Unrestricted Funds (cover staff costs and those of administration and support without which Ladybird could not operate.)</li> <li>2. Restricted funds, (donations and grants for a specific purpose)</li> <li>3. Designated Funds (amounts specifically excluded from being used to meet the day-to-day running costs of Ladybird. Sums raised through fundraising activities fall into this category)</li> </ol>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£80K
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/A
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/A
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	Ladybird Playgroup and Preschool position is a status quo. Due to our previous successful years, we have a healthy balance and reserves to support the Playgroup through these uncertain times, for a short period anyway.

#### **Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any	Para 1.46	

social investment policy adopted		
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		The Charities Trustees consists of 8 people, whom have or had a child at Ladybird Play Group and Preschool. They come from all walks of life to come together for the benefit of the charity to ensure its integrity and success.
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The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Ladybird Playgroup and Pre-School
Other name the charity uses	Ladybird Playgroup
Registered charity number	1162435
Charity's principal address	School Lane Thriplow SG8 7RH

## Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Brian Symes	Chairperson		
2	Tracey Dervish	Treasurer		
3	Stephen Woodard	Fundraising		
4	Jules White			
5	Natalie Barker			
6	Pedro Pinheiro			
7	Sharon McGinty	Playgroup Leader	From 28/4/22	
8	Michelle Fairweather	Playgroup Deputy Leader		
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## Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

## Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

**Additional information (optional)**

**Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)**

Type of adviser	Name	Address

**Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)**

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**Exemptions from disclosure**

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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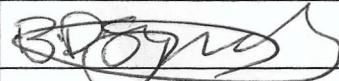
**Other optional information**

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**Declarations**

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Brian Symes	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chairperson	
Date	June 2023	

Ladybird Playgroup Thriplow

**Charity Number -1162435**

Income and Expenditure

Accounts

for the period ended

31 August 2022

Ladybird Playgroup Thriplow

Income and Expenditure Account for the period ended 31 August 2022

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	£
Opening Balances	
Lloyds Current Account	0
Fundraising Account	0
Current Account	79630.52
Fundraising Account	43834.02
Savings Account	0
CBS Ring Fence Account	0
Petty Cash	1171.86
Debtors	0
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	124636.4
Less Creditors	-275.44
PAYE	-1339.76
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	123021.2
Plus Surplus for the period	-2793.61
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	<u>120227.59</u>
Closing Balances	
Lloyds Current Account	0
Fundraising Account	0
Current Account	76429.66
Fundraising Account	43882.27
Savings Account	0
CBS Ring Fence Account	0
Petty Cash	1171.86
Debtors	0
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	121483.79
Less Creditors	-260.48
VAT	0
Less PAYE Creditor	-995.72
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## Ladybird Playgroup Thriplow

### Income and Expenditure Account for the period ended 31 August 2022

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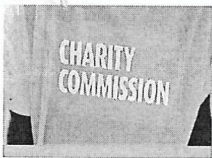
			£	£
<b>Income</b>	Fees	Cambs County Council	56227.68	
		Other	9960.8	
			<hr/>	66188.48
	Fundraising			
		Bags2school	0	
		Xmas cards	75.6	
		Daffodil	1903.48	
		Cakes	186.6	
		Uniform	4	
		Christmas	907.48	
		Ice creams	153.4	
		100 club	298.05	
		Raffle	398.45	
			<hr/>	3927.06
		Donations		54.42
		Just giving		28.83
		Bounce back		168.6
		Sundries		450.65
		Breakfast club		3557.8
		Registration Fees		200
		Interest Received		0
<b>Total Income</b>			<hr/>	<hr/> <b>74575.84</b>

## Ladybird Playgroup Thriplow

### Income and Expenditure Account for the period ended 31 August 2022

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	£	£
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Accountancy		300
Adverts		136.8
Capital Equipment		424.91
Cleaning		1157.61
Committee Expenses		63.98
DBS checks		65
Equipment		287.37
First Aid		0
ICO		35
Insurance		736.45
Maintenance and Repairs		143.14
Ofsted		35
Payroll ServiceCosts		859.8
Play and Craft Materials		709.64
Play Equipment		0
PPL		108.43
Quickbooks		304.8
Rent		1500
Snacks		177.03
Sports coaching		425
Staff wages cost		63523.98
Staff Pension		1291.86
Staff gifts		500
Staff Training		1308.2
Stationery		1366.31
Subscriptions and Memberships		767.3
Sundry Expenses		0
Telephone		1141.84
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<u>77369.45</u>
<b>Surplus of Expenditure over Income</b>		<u>-2793.61</u>



# Independent examiner's report on the accounts

## Section A

## Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Charity Name  
Ladybird Playgroup Thriplow

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 August 2022

Charity no  
(if any)

1162435

Set out on pages

Pages 1 – 4

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

It is my responsibility to:

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

Basis of independent  
examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 the 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 Charities Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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:

Date:

26/06/23

Name:

Adrian Winter FCCA – Taylor & Co

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

Association of Chartered Certified Accountants - ACCA

<b>Address:</b>	Taylor & Co - The Sycamores, 43 Kneesworth Street
	Royston, Herts
	SG8 5AB

**Section B**

**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.

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

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**LADYBIRD PLAYGROUP THRILOW**

England & Wales - Charity number 1162435

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# Accounts

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020 Period start date to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021  
Period end date

Charity name: Ladybird Playgroup and Pre-School

Charity registration number: 1162435

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<b>The purpose of the Ladybird Playgroup and Preschool Charity is to work for public benefit. There objects are to develop and enable the development and education of all children and young people accessing the service.</b>
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<b>To provide an early year setting for children to be able to learn is a safe environment and in a safe way.</b>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<b>Yes, all the Trustees have read the guidance issued by the Charities Commission on Public Benefit</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p><b>The Charity has been able to work providing a valuable and inclusive service to children and the young people in yet another exceedingly difficult year. The support the staff and committee have given to the families by enabling the service to remain open initially for those families and children of keyworkers, but then to re-open for all as families felt safe to attend.</b></p> <p><b>As COVID restrictions have eased we have seen a slow return of children to the setting, however numbers have been and are continuing to be low. Parents have not had the need or continue to be nervous about sending their children in. Parents are not extending their child's hours past the statutory 15hrs funding.</b></p> <p><b>The charity has continued to support the local primary school with facilitating a Breakfast Club which enables wrap around care and enabling parents to be able to return to their place of work, but again numbers are low as parents do not have the need for this provision, with many continuing to work from home.</b></p>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	<b>The Charity has been supported through a financially challenging year with extra</b>
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		<p><b>funding from the Local Authorities - Early Years Team.</b></p> <p><b>We have maintained the fee structure to support the families enabling them to utilise this service. However, numbers of children as a whole using the service continue to be low, similarly with Breakfast club.</b></p> <p><b>The staff/ committee / trustees have started to organise fundraising activities to support purchasing additional educational equipment to support the children.</b></p>
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	<p><b>Reserves fall into 3 categories:</b></p> <p><b>1. Unrestricted Funds (cover staff costs and those of administration and support without which Ladybird could not operate.)</b></p> <p><b>2. Restricted funds, (donations and grants for a specific purpose)</b></p> <p><b>3. Designated Funds (amounts specifically excluded from being used to meet the day-to-day running costs of Ladybird. Sums raised through fundraising activities fall into this category)</b></p>
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	<b>£80K</b>
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	<b>N/A</b>
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	<b>N/A</b>
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	<b>Ladybird Playgroup and Preschool position is a status quo. Due to our previous successful years, 0)we have a healthy balance and reserves to support the Playgroup through these uncertain times, for a short period anyway.</b>

### **Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	

A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		<b>The Charities Trustees consists of 9 people, whom have or had a child at Ladybird Play Group and Preschool. They come from all walks of life to come together for the benefit of the charity to ensure its integrity and success.</b>
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	<b>Constitution</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>CIO</b>
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	<b>Prior to the AGM information is shared and emailed out asking any interested parties to attend the AGM and to be nominated and seconded to join the Ladybird Playgroup Charity as committee members. Trustees are nominated and elected into post.</b>

## Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

## Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Ladybird Playgroup and Pre-School
Other name the charity uses	Ladybird Playgroup
Registered charity number	1162435
Charity's principal address	School Lane Thriplow SG8 7RH

## Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Sarah Wells	Chairperson		
2	Brian Symes	Treasurer	From 28/4/22	
3	Tracey Dervish	Secretary	From 28/4/22	
4	Matt Wells	Policies		
5	Chloe Phillips	Fundraising		
6	Jules White	Fundraising		
7	Sarah Woodard	Trustee	From 28/4/22	
8	Sharon McGinty	Playgroup Leader		
9	Michelle Fairweather	Playgroup Deputy Leader		
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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## Other optional information

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## Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

#### Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

<b>Signature(s)</b>	S Wells	
<b>Full name(s)</b>	Sarah Wells	
<b>Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)</b>	Chairperson	
<b>Date</b>	28 <sup>th</sup> June 2022	

Ladybird Playgroup Thriplow

**Charity Number -1162435**

Income and Expenditure

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for the period ended

31 August 2021

## Ladybird Playgroup Thriplow

### Income and Expenditure Account for the period ended 31 August 2021

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	£
Opening Balances	
Lloyds Current Account	188.58
Fundraising Account	0
Current Account	85781.43
Fundraising Account	21124.41
Savings Account	21833.95
CBS Ring Fence Account	0
Petty Cash	1171.86
Debtors	0
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	130100.23
Less Creditors	0
PAYE	-1339.76
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	128760.47
Plus Surplus for the period	-5739.27
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	<u>123021.2</u>
Closing Balances	
Lloyds Current Account	0
Fundraising Account	0
Current Account	79630.52
Fundraising Account	43834.02
Savings Account	0
CBS Ring Fence Account	0
Petty Cash	1171.86
Debtors	0
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	124636.4
Less Creditors	-275.44
VAT	0
Less PAYE Creditor	-1339.76
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	<u>123021.2</u>

## Ladybird Playgroup Thriplow

### Income and Expenditure Account for the period ended 31 August 2021

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			£	£
<b>Income</b>	Fees	Cambs County Council	60745.95	
		Other	17834.7	
			<hr/>	78580.65
	Fundraising			
		Bags2school	0	
		Daffodil	0	
		Photographer	-12.1	
		Cakes	482.65	
		Tea Towels	227.25	
		Treasure hunt	0	
		Uniform	62	
		Other	724.84	
		Sundries	0	
			<hr/>	1484.64
		Donations		279.44
		Just giving		0
		Grant Received		1000
		Furlough claims		7299.94
		Sundries		56.75
		Sales		632.43
		Breakfast club		342.2
		Refunds		0
		Registration Fees		30
		Interest Received		138.53
<b>Total Income</b>				<hr/> <hr/>
				89844.58

## Ladybird Playgroup Thriplow

### Income and Expenditure Account for the period ended 31 August 2021

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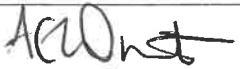
	£	£
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Accountancy		600
Adverts		66.72
Capital Equipment		544.96
Cleaning		1253.48
Committee Expenses		100
Electricity		1209
Extra Curricular Activites		125
First Aid		34.52
Insurance		722.49
ICO		35
Internet Domain		15.98
Leaving Gifts and Party		41
Maintenance and Repairs		412.98
Outings		0
Ofsted		70
Payroll ServiceCosts		831.6
Pension		3394.76
Play and Craft Materials		683.02
Play Equipment		59.97
PPL		157.22
Quickbooks		288
Snacks		164.14
Software		363.13
Staff costs		267
Staff gifts		600
Staff Training		546.6
Staff Wages and NIC		78010.85
Stationery		926.56
Subscriptions and Memberships		994.38
Sundry Expenses		0
Telephone		1088.09
Thriplow Quarterly Charge		1977.4
Uncatagorised		0
Vouchers		0
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<u>95583.85</u>
<b>Surplus of Expenditure over Income</b>		<u>-5739.27</u>



# Independent examiner's report on the accounts

## Section A

## Independent Examiner's Report

<b>Report to the trustees/ members of</b>	Charity Name Ladybird Playgroup Thriplow		
<b>On accounts for the year ended</b>	31 August 2021	<b>Charity no (if any)</b>	1162435
<b>Set out on pages</b>	Pages 1 – 4 <small>(Remember to include the page numbers of additional annexes)</small>		
<b>Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner</b>	<p>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 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.</p> <p>It is my responsibility to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,</li> <li>• to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and</li> <li>• to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.</li> </ul>		
<b>Basis of independent examiner's statement</b>	<p>My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 the 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.</p>		
<b>Independent examiner's statement</b>	<p>In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and</li> <li>• to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.</li> </ol> <p><i>* Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.</i></p>		
<b>Signed:</b>		<b>Date:</b>	06/07/2022
<b>Name:</b>	Adrian Winter FCCA – Taylor & Co		
<b>Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):</b>	Association of Chartered Certified Accountants - ACCA		

<b>Address:</b>	Taylor & Co - The Sycamores, 43 Kneesworth Street
	Royston, Herts
	SG8 5AB

**Section B**

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**LADYBIRD PLAYGROUP THRILOW**

England & Wales - Charity number 1162435

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# Accounts

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## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1<sup>st</sup> September 2019 Period start date to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020  
Period end date

Charity name: Ladybird Playgroup and Pre-School

Charity registration number: 1162435

## Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
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Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<b>To provide an early year setting for children to be able to learn is a safe environment and in a safe way.</b>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	<b>Yes, all the Trustees have read the guidance issued by the Charities Commission on Public Benefit</b>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
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Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

## Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p><b>The Charity has been able to work providing a valuable and inclusive service to children and the young people in an exceedingly difficult year. The support the staff and committee have given to the families by enabling the service to remain open for those families and children of keyworkers.</b></p> <p><b>We have continued to support families throughout lockdown, by either remaining open for keyworker families or offering and producing activities and educational opportunities for those families who remained at home.</b></p> <p><b>The staff team have been amazing and with the support from the committee / trustees have continued to support all the families and children during these unprecedented times.</b></p> <p><b>The charity has also been able to support the local primary school with facilitating a Breakfast Club (within government guidance and restrictions) which enables wrap around care and enabling parents to be able to return to their place of work.</b></p>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

## Financial Review

<p>Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period</p>	<p>Para 1.21</p>	<p><b>The Charity has been supported through a financially challenging year with extra funding from the Local Authorities - Early Years Team. As well as utilizing the Government Furlough Scheme</b></p> <p><b>We also secured an additional £10,000 discretionary funding grant.</b></p> <p><b>We lost several income streams firstly from not being able to operate the Breakfast Club (due to government restrictions) for Thriplow Primary School and secondly from being closed, reduced numbers of children attending Ladybird Playgroup and preschool due again to the unprecedented times.</b></p> <p><b>The committee / trustees have been unable to undertake direct fundraising events during the pandemic, but thankfully due to an extremely high admission the previous year we had a £14,000 surplus.</b></p>
<p>Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held</p>	<p>Para 1.22</p>	<p><b>Reserves fall into 3 categories:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Unrestricted Funds (cover staff costs and those of administration and support without which Ladybird could not operate.)</b></li> <li><b>2. Restricted funds, (donations and grants for a specific purpose)</b></li> <li><b>3. Designated Funds (amounts specifically excluded from being used to meet the day-to-day running costs of Ladybird. Sums raised through fundraising activities fall into this category)</b></li> </ol>
<p>Amount of reserves held</p>	<p>Para 1.22</p>	<p><b>£80K</b></p>
<p>Reasons for holding zero reserves</p>	<p>Para 1.22</p>	<p><b>N/A</b></p>
<p>Details of fund materially in deficit</p>	<p>Para 1.24</p>	<p><b>N/A</b></p>
<p>Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern</p>	<p>Para 1.23</p>	<p><b>Ladybird Playgroup and Preschool is currently in a healthy position and will continue to operate</b></p>

**Additional information (optional)**

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

**Structure, Governance and Management**

Description of charity's trusts:		<b>The Charities Trustees consists of 9 people, whom have or had a child at Ladybird Play Group and Preschool. They come from all walks of life to come together for the benefit of the charity to ensure its integrity and success.</b>
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	<b>Constitution</b>
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	<b>CIO</b>
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	<b>Prior to the AGM information is shared and emailed out asking any interested parties to attend the AGM and to be nominated and seconded to join the Ladybird Playgroup Charity as committee members. Trustees are nominated and elected into post.</b>



**Additional information (optional)**

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Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

**Reference and Administrative details**

Charity name	Ladybird Playgroup and Pre-School
Other name the charity uses	Ladybird Playgroup
Registered charity number	1162435
Charity's principal address	School Lane Thriplow SG8 7RH

**Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity**

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Sarah Wells	Chairperson		
2	Meghan Bonner	Treasurer		
3	Kate Noble	Secretary		
4	Tracey Dervish	Policies		
5	Ann Robertson	Fundraising		
6	Anja Kothari	Trustee		
7	Caroline Short	Trustee		
8	Sharon McGinty	Playgroup Leader		
9	Michelle Fairweather	Playgroup Deputy Leader		
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**Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved**

Director name		

**Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity**

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

## Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

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

### Additional information (optional)

#### Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

#### Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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## Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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## Other optional information

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## Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

### Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Baron Weld	
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	

Date 25<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Ladybird Playgroup Thriplow

**Charity Number -1162435**

Income and Expenditure

Accounts

for the period ended

31 August 2020



Ladybird Playgroup Thriplow

Income and Expenditure Account for the period ended 31 August 2020

	£
Opening Balances	
Lloyds Current Account	22496.23
Fundraising Account	19988.48
Current Account	50332.83
Savings Account	21660.66
CBS Ring Fence Account	0
Petty Cash	1171.86
Debtors	0
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	115650.06
Less Creditors	0
PAYE	-1674.88
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	113975.18
Plus Surplus for the period	14785.29
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	<u>128760.47</u>
Closing Balances	
Lloyds Current Account	188.58
Fundraising Account	0
Current Account	85781.43
Fundraising Account	21124.41
Savings Account	21833.95
CBS Ring Fence Account	0
Petty Cash	1171.86
Debtors	0
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	130100.23
Less Creditors	0
VAT	0
Less PAYE Creditor	-1339.76
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	<u>128760.47</u>

Ladybird Playgroup Thriplow

Income and Expenditure Account for the period ended 31 August 2020

			£	£
<b>Income</b>	Fees	Cambs County Council	74088.28	
		Other	19792.48	
			<hr/>	93880.76
	Fundraising			
		Bags2school	0	
		Christmas Cards	-696.4	
		Xmas Fayre	0	
		Daffodil	0	
		Photographer	0	
		DVDs	-6.49	
		Tea Towels	617.89	
		Treasure hunt	391.2	
		Uniform	10	
		Other	31.32	
		Sundries	0	
		Yellow Moon	0	
			<hr/>	347.52
		Donations		580.01
		Just giving		227.73
		Grant Received		10000
		Furlough claims		9932.86
		Sundries		2850.9
		Sales		3202
		Breakfast club		4553
		Refunds		0
		Registration Fees		20
		Interest Received		173.29
<b>Total Income</b>			<hr/>	<u>125768.07</u>

## Ladybird Playgroup Thriplow

### Income and Expenditure Account for the period ended 31 August 2020

	£	£
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Staff Wages and NIC		82477.64
Pension		3930.83
Payroll Service Costs		726.3
Casual Staff		0
Staff Travel Costs		0
Staff costs		636
Accountancy		300
Staff Training		4473.25
Snacks		360.79
Staff gifts		1325.4
Capital Equipment		732.92
Outings		0
First Aid		81.92
First Aid Course		0
Insurance		818.36
Electricity		0
Stationery		1421.92
Play and Craft Materials		1122.23
Play Equipment		1627.93
Adverts		132.54
Extra Curricular Activities		475
Leaving Gifts and Party		185.53
Committee Expenses		0
Telephone		1033.09
Thriplow Quarterly Charge		2375
Internet Domain		0
Maintenance and Repairs		1035.18
Quickbooks		276
Subscriptions and Memberships		579.05
Cleaning		1773.07
Legal fees		2628
Vouchers		140
PPL		0
Breakfast Club Expenses		26.26
Uncategorised		233.57
Sundry Expenses		55
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<u>110982.78</u>
<b>Surplus Income over Expenditure</b>		<u>14785.29</u>



# Independent examiner's report on the accounts

## Section A

## Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Charity Name  
Ladybird Playgroup Thriplow

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

31 August 2020

**Charity no  
(if any)**

1162435

**Set out on pages**

Pages 1 – 4

(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

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

It is my responsibility to:

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

**Basis of independent  
examiner's statement**

My examination was carried out in accordance with 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 the 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 (other than that disclosed below \*)

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 Charities Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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.

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

**Signed:**

*AWD Taylor & Co.*

**Date:**

26/05/2021

**Name:**

Adrian Winter FCCA – Taylor & Co

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**Section B**

**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material problems.