

BIRMINGHAM NURSERY SCHOOLS COLLABORATION

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document :
October 2015

Constitution dated 21st

Constitution:
Organisation (CIO)

Charitable Incorporated

Trustee Selection Method:
to retire at every AGM

One third of Charity Trustees

can be appointed by the

by rotation. New Trustees

the Charity Trustees

members at the AGM or by

Organisation:
management of the CIO

All matters of policy and

meetings of the

Are determined by regular

Trustees

Constitution Provisions:
CIO must be applied

Income and property of the

promotion of the Objects

solely towards the

Objectives and Activities

Objects

The advancement of education for children in early years (birth to 7) in such ways as the charity trustees think fit including (but not exclusively) by: -

1. Promoting their care and safety
2. Promoting their education and parental involvement
3. Providing services to support them and their families and carers
4. Ensuring quality and equity in the early years' sector

Main Activities for Public Benefit

The CIO offers a training and facilities resource to support those providing education and educational activities in private, voluntary or independent and maintained settings in the most deprived areas of Birmingham and the West Midlands. The CIO's work benefits children from birth to seven years and includes a significant number of children who are looked after under a child protection order or have complex educational needs and disabilities.

The CIO continues to work with early education to promote Maintained Nursery Schools through the All Party Parliamentary Group.

The CIO works closely with the Local Authority to run the Birmingham Early Years Network (BEYN) a network for early years staff across the city based around the 10 Birmingham districts. This involves working with primary schools with nursery/reception classes to strengthen practice relating to children under 4 years old with an aim to:

- Support increased capacity to deliver 2-year-old EEE places
- Improved outcomes for all children at the end of the Foundation Stage
- Effective transition arrangements within the 10 district areas.

The CIO supports the development and maintenance of Early Years Steering groups across the 10 Districts.

The CIO also provides Continued Professional Development across the Early Years Sector.

The CIO enables expertise, knowledge and skills to be disseminated across all early years' settings. In addition, the CIO partners with the Local Authority to support SEND Needs across the 10 Districts through the Delivering Local Provision (DLP) project. The DLP initiative will further empower schools and settings to achieve solutions with support and resources, with a focus on:

1. Early identification and support for children with additional needs by increasing the number of children that have access to a practitioner with a **level 3 SENCO award**.
2. Building knowledge, skills and practice across the sector through coordinated **professional development** and networking opportunities
3. Improving early identification and support for children with additional needs by the creation of a **virtual district inclusion partnership hub** in each of the 10 districts

This work is ongoing and is gathering pace within the Early Years Sector in Birmingham.

Achievements and Performance

The CIO has fulfilled its charitable objectives by promoting care and safety through training and good practice. Education and Parental involvement has been promoted by consultations, social networks and training opportunities. The Charity has been instrumental in securing additional government funding to

ensure the beacons of excellence are not closed or lost for the most vulnerable children. This is always at the forefront of our actions.

Method of appointment or election of Trustees

The trustees are appointed by nomination and voting by the membership and undergo relevant induction upon appointment.

Financial Review

The CIO's financial position is satisfactory and relies on the membership of the 27 Nursery Schools. The CIO intends to meet its charitable obligations by maintaining and enhancing its level of service. Annual subscriptions have been waived since 2020-21 due to the carry forward balance.

Policy on Reserves

The Trustees regularly review the amount of reserves that are required to ensure that they are adequate to fulfil the charity's obligations.

Review of Major Risks

The trustees confirm that the major risk is financial sustainability, **which is addressed by scrutiny of the accounts at Trust Board meetings.**

This report was approved by the Trustees on 31 January 2023 and signed on its behalf by

Dr Valerie Daniel

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST MARCH 2022**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds 2021/2022	Unrestricted Funds 2020/2021	Unrestricted Funds 2019/2020	Unrestricted Funds 2018/2019
INCOME					
B'ham City Council funding 2019/20		£ -	£ 116,000.00	£ -	£ -
B'ham City Council funding 2020/21		£ -	£ 200,000.00	£ -	£ -
B'ham City Council funding 2021/22		£ -	£ 200,000.00	£ -	£ -
Membership subscriptions		£ -	-	£ -	£ -
Salary reimbursement		£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
TOTAL INCOME		£ -	£ 516,000.00	£ -	
EXPENDITURE					
50 Things to Do initiative		£ -	£ 20,000.00	£ -	£ -
Administration support		£ -	£ 2,000.00	£ -	£ -
Business Development		£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
Catering		£ -	£ -	£ -	£ 147.00
Consultancy		£ -	£ -	£ 3,276.45	£ 16,882.16
Language Champions		£ 500.00	£ 96,060.00	£ -	£ -
Media		£ -	£ 1,638.00	£ 6,714.00	£ 1,365.00
Network Co-ordination		£ 28,923.60	£ 214,994.75	£ -	£ -
Network Workshops		£ -	£ 9,300.00	£ -	£ -
Professional Charges		£ -	£ 17,072.41	£ -	£ 2,550.00
Room Hire		£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
Supplies		£ -	£ -	£ -	£ -
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		£ 29,423.60	£ 361,065.16	£ 9,990.45	£ 20,944.16
INCREASE IN CASH IN THE YEAR		£ -	£ 516,000.00	£ -	£ -
TOTAL FUNDS BROUGHT FORWARD		£ 183,415.38	£ 28,480.54	£ 38,470.99	£ 59,415.15
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		£ 153,991.78	£ 183,415.38	£ 28,480.54	£ 38,470.99
Current Assets					
Cash at bank (none in hand)		£ 153,991.78	£ 183,415.38	£ 28,480.54	£ 38,470.99
Cheques not yet presented:					
Administration support		£ 2,250.00			
District Lead		£ 2,400.00			
Language Champion		£ 35,935.34			
Livery Course		£ 2,400.00			
Website		£ 2,400.00			
Total cheques not yet presented		£ 45,385.34			
Net assets		£ 108,606.44	£ 183,415.38	£ 28,480.54	£ 38,470.99
Funds		£ 108,606.44	£ 183,415.38	£ 28,480.54	£ 38,470.99
Unrestricted funds		£ 108,606.44	£ 183,415.38	£ 28,480.54	£ 38,470.99

These financial statements were audited by Craig Jones for approval of the board on the 31/01/2023

Craig Jones 30/01/2023

