

Registered company number
04566497

Registered Charity number
1166691

Birmingham Playcare Network

Accounts

31 March 2022

Birmingham Playcare Network
The report of the trustees for the year ended 31 March 2022

Introduction

The trustees are pleased to present their annual directors' report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 March 2022, which are also prepared to meet the requirements for a directors' report and accounts for Companies Act purposes. The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Companies Act 2006, the Memorandum and Articles of Association. 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 2015.

Objectives and activities

The objects of the charity, as set out in its Memorandum of Association are:

To enhance the development and education of children and to facilitate contact, share information, offer support and encourage, to promote the right to play of all children and to encourage best practice in child-centred playcare within the City of Birmingham by:-

- 1 supporting and enhancing the profile of playcare provision through events and activities
- 2 consulting with and encouraging the participation of Members
- 3 actively supporting the development of quality assurance standards for playcare
- 4 operating in an environment of equal opportunities and inclusive practice
- 5 supporting the development of playcare resources
- 6 supporting the development of a playcare training resource
- 7 establishing effective links with appropriate agencies to further benefit the work of the charity

This year, the charity provided the following services :

Play provision : A total of 4500 craft play and physical activite packs were produced on behalf of Street Games as part of the HAF programme for Birmingham City Council. These packs were targetted to children and families who were unable to attend holiday playscheme provision.

Workforce Development: BPCN offered online play training to upskill playworkers operationg HAF provision. BPCN was also commissioned by Sport Birmingham to deliver face-to-face Activites Communities Parent Champion Training in inner-city Birmingham schools.

Information and Member services: BPCN offered community groups, schools, artists, the Early Years sector and the general public access to The Birmingham Scrapstore. This is a community re-use facility that takes clean business waste that is upcycled for play and creative projects.

Quality: BPCN support out of school clubs, breakfast clubs and holiday playschemes around the quality, environment and sustainability of their provision.

All of the Centre's activities are aimed at supporting quality playcare, and supporting providers of playcare across the City of Birmingham. No member of the company, including the Trustees, receive any financial benefit from their involvement with the Centre.

In developing activities and delivering services, the Trustees have taken account of the guidance published by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Achievement and performance

Our key achievements over the last twelve months include:

Our key achievement has been distributing craft and play packs as part of the Bring It On Brum campaign. We have ensured that children receiving our packs had the basic elements such as stationary, sports equipment and craft resources to keep them occupied and playing.

In June 2021 BPCN moved from our office base and both scrapstore facilities to our new location in Northfield at The Hollymoor Centre. This has proved to be an excellent decision and the community has really welcomed our scrapstore facility with great enthusiasm. We officially opened our store at the beginning of October 21 and visit numbers increase week on week. It's a fantastic resource working with local businesses to donate their waste or surplus to be upcycled for creative play,community events, crafting and school support.

Coming out of Covid, BPCN has been able to offer many more opportunities. Our volunteer team in this financial year has increased to more than 30 regular individuals. Our volunteers are multi-generational and come from a range of backgrounds and cultures. The all bring valuable skills, abilities and knowledge to BPCN.

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ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE (contd)

BPCN continue to work with Stockfield Community Housing Association and Arts in the Yard on their Building Community project which is a five-year funded Big Lottery programme. The tea dances and play in parks elements of the project are run by BPCN and have been extremely well attended by residents.

BPCN ran it's first cohort of workshops funded by Awards for All for local residents in Northfield as part of our Create Craft Share project. Supporting older women to address issues of loneliness through craft and friendship has been a great piece of work for us to engage with our new community.

We have worked collaboratively with a range of partners throughout the year bringing in valuable specialist services to our local community. Our partners have included:

Sport Birmingham, Stockfield Community Housing Association, Arts in the Yard, Thrive Together Birmingham, Edgbaston Foundation, Heart of England Foundation, Big Lottery, Celebrating Communities, Sutton NNS, In Kind Direct, Giving World, Longbridge Childcare Strategy, Age Concern UK, Yardley NNS, Xpress Yourself Dance, Welcome Change, ATT Securitee, Acocks Green Baptist Church and The Reuseful Network.

The Trustees would therefore like to thank our dedicated staff team, our volunteers, our partners and funders for their support over the year, enabling us to positively change the lives of so many children.

Financial review

Overall there was a small surplus in Unrestricted funds of £7,446 increasing our Unrestricted reserves to £53,129. This year we secured new funding from Big Lottery, Street Games BCC Commonwealth activity, as well as continued support the Stockfield Building Community Together consortium.

Where grants are given for specific purposes, they are treated as Restricted Funds. In the year to 31 March 2022,, there were 8 restricted funds, and tracking and managing these funds is an important part of the charity's financial management. We are grateful to all our funders for their valuable support.

In the year to 31 March 2022 40% of the expenditure went on staff salaries and employer costs, and 43% on the direct costs of the charity's activities. The remaining 17% was spent on premises, overheads and governance.

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The Trustees have assessed the major risks to which the charity is exposed and are satisfied that systems are in place to mitigate our exposure to the major risks.

The Trustees have adopted a policy on reserves. Due to uncertainties and the short term nature of much of the charity's funding, the aim is to hold sufficient reserves in the Unrestricted Fund to allow it to operate for a period of 6 months and/or to meet redundancy costs for posts that cannot be sustained. This would require reserves of around £54,000. With current free reserves of £53,129, the Trustees will seek to continue to build up reserves over the next year in order to reach this target.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The company is constituted as a not for profit Company Limited by Guarantee having no share capital. It was registered as a charity in April 2016. It is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association, and the policies made from time to time by its Directors, who are also the trustees of the charity.

Every Trustee must be appointed by a resolution passed at a properly convened meeting of the Trustees. In selecting individuals for appointment as Trustees, the Trustees must have regard to the skills, knowledge and experience needed for the effective administration of the Company.

Registered Company number

Registered Charity number

Registered office

Trustees

Yvette Oruye
Maxine Yvonne Mills
Sarah Ann Wood
Jesse Gerald

Key personnel

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Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

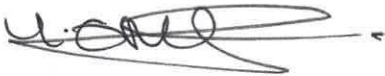
The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the company and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 2006. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the company and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The trustees are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations. Company law requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year. Under that law the trustees have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (United Kingdom Accounting Standards and applicable law). The financial statements are required by law to give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to :

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on its behalf by:

Trustee
Yvette Oruye
Date:



19.1.23

**Independent Examiner' Report to the Trustees of
Birmingham Playcare Network**

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

The trustees (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law) 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. The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and

I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

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

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 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
- 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 to indicate that:

- accounting records have not been kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006;
- the accounts do not accord with such records;
- where accounts are prepared on an accruals basis, whether they fail; or to comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006, or are not consistent with the Charities SORP (FRS102)
- any matter which the examiner believes should be drawn to the attention of the reader to gain a proper understanding of the accounts.

RB Welch FCA MA
Chartered Accountant
P&W Social Accountants
10 Newent Road
Birmingham
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[DATE]

19th January 2023

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Statement of Financial Activities
incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account
Year Ending 31 March 2022

		Current Year 2022 Unrestricted Fund	Current Year 2022 Restricted Fund	Current Year 2022 Total Funds	Prior Year 2021 Total Funds
	Note	£	£	£	£
Income and Endowments from					
Charitable Activities	3	162,834	63,121	225,955	113,654
Investment Income	4	43		43	48
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Total		<u>162,877</u>	<u>63,121</u>	<u>43</u>	<u>113,702</u>
Expenditure					
Raising Funds	5	7,887		7,887	7,671
Charitable Activities	5	147,544	36,326	183,870	110,349
Net Income / (Expenditure)		<u>155,431</u>	<u>36,326</u>	<u>191,757</u>	<u>118,020</u>
Reconciliation of Funds		7,446	26,795	34,241	- 4,318
Total funds brought forward		45,683	3,275	48,958	53,276
Total funds carried forward		<u>53,129</u>	<u>30,070</u>	<u>83,199</u>	<u>48,958</u>

The statement of financial activities includes all gains and losses in the year.
All incoming resources and resources expended derive from continuing activities.

* Please see note 13 for prior year comparative

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Balance Sheet
as at 31 March 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
Current assets			
Debtors	175	13,315	
Cash at bank and in hand	86,940	43,581	
	<u>87,115</u>	<u>56,896</u>	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(3,916)	(7,938)	
Net current assets		<u>83,199</u>	<u>48,958</u>
Net assets		<u>83,199</u>	<u>48,958</u>
All funds			
Unrestricted Funds		53,129	45,683
Restricted Funds		30,070	3,275
Total Funds		<u>83,199</u>	<u>48,958</u>

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The financial statements were approved on, by the Board of Trustees and were signed on its behalf by:

Trustee



Date:

19.1.23

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Notes to the Accounts
Year Ending 31 March 2022

1 General Information

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 2015)', 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.

2 Accounting policies

Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis which assumes that the Company will continue to operate. The validity of this assumption is dependent upon the continuance of support from the Company's key grant funders and in response to the progress made by the Company in pursuing a viable budget including the obtaining of further grants and other funds. The Company's current business plan shows that the Company will be able to operate in the foreseeable future. Based on this understanding, the directors believe that it remains appropriate to prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis. The financial statements do not include any adjustments, which would result from the basis of preparation being inappropriate.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life (assets with a cost below £1,000 are not capitalised) :

Fixtures, fittings & equipment	-25% per annum straight line
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Income

"Items of income are recognised and included in the accounts when all of the following criteria are met:

- The charity has entitlement to the funds;
- any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met or are fully within the control of the charity;
- there is sufficient certainty that receipt of the income is considered probable; and
- the amount can be measured reliably.

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Expenditure

"Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Expenditure is classified under the following activity headings:

- Costs of raising funds comprise staff costs and other direct costs involved in the raising of funds for the charity;
- Expenditure on charitable activities includes the direct costs of activities undertaken to further the purposes of the charity and their associated support & governance costs.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

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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 the particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity.

Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for a particular restricted purpose.

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

Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered.

Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid after taking account of any trade discounts due.

Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

Creditors

Creditors and provisions are recognised where the charity has a present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably. Creditors and provisions are normally recognised at their settlement amount after allowing for any trade discounts due.

Pension Costs

The Company operates a money purchase pension scheme for employees. Employer contributions are charged as an expense in the period to which they relate and are allocated to activities in line with the related salary cost.

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3 Restricted grants:

	2022	2021
	£	£
Awards for All	9,982	
Sport Birmingham	6,800	
Stockfield BIG	25,418	33,057
Tesco		1,497
Heart of England CF x2		10,500
CYPF x4		10,000
Govt Job Retention Scheme	3,019	7,090
NNS x2		12,305
Grantham Yorke		5,000
CAF		1,000
TNL Covid Comm Fund		15,000
Sutton NNS	5,170	
Commonwealth Games Creative City	6,736	
Legacy Fund Stronger Comms	4,000	
Connecting Comms	1,996	
Income from Charitable activities	63,121	95,449
Scrapstore	24,937	7,553
Training	4,880	
Play Advocacy	131,071	
Other income	1,947	10,652
	162,834	18,205
	225,956	113,654

4 Investment Income

	2022	2021
	£	£
Bank account interest	43	48

5 Direct costs of charitable activities

	2022	2021
	£	£
Staff costs	68,434	67,922
Staff training & travel	12	229
Premises & office costs	22,558	22,625
Central function costs	5,435	4,806
Direct cost of activities	86,892	14,267
Independent Examiner's Fee	540	500
	183,871	110,349
Raising funds:		
Staff costs	7,507	7,101
Other direct costs	380	570
	7,887	7,671

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6 Staff costs

The average number of full time equivalent employees during the year was as follows:

STAFF COSTS	2022	2021
		£
Wages and salaries	72,682	72,191
Employer costs - National Insurance	1,317	962
Pension costs	1,941	1,870
	<u>75,940</u>	<u>75,023</u>
	2022	2021
	£	£
	3.0	3.0

There were no trustees remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31st March 2022 nor for the year ended 31st March 2021.

There were no trustees expenses paid for the year ended 31st March 2022 nor for the year ended 31st March 2021

7 Debtors

	2022	2021
	£	£
Trade Debtors	175	13,315
	<u>175</u>	<u>13,315</u>

8 Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	2022	2021
	£	£
Trade creditors	2,109	6,195
Income tax and social security	1,267	1,243
Accrued expenses	540	500
	<u>3,916</u>	<u>7,938</u>

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9 ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS

	2022	2021
	Total & Unrestricted Funds	Total & Unrestricted Funds
Fixed Assets		
Net Current Assets/(liabilities)	84,115	48,958
	<hr/> 84,115	<hr/> 48,958

10 Movement in Funds

	Opening Balance	Movement in fund	Closing Balance
Unrestricted Funds			
General Fund	45,683	7,447	53,130
	<hr/> 45,683	<hr/> 7,447	<hr/> 53,130
Restricted Funds			
BCC Early Years - Nursery & OOS			-
BCC Early Years - First Steps Childminding			-
BCC Early Years			-
Awards for All		5,269	5,269
Sport Birmingham		6,800	6,800
Healthy Happy Holidays			-
Stockfield BIG	3,275	1,354	4,629
Tesco			-
Heart of England CF x2			-
CYPF x4			-
Govt Job Retention Scheme			-
Comm Game Creative City		5,740	5,740
Legacy Fund Stronger Comms		4,000	4,000
Connecting Communities		810	810
Sutton NNS		2,821	2,821
Total Funds	<hr/> 48,958	<hr/> 34,241	<hr/> 83,199

Creative City- Commonwealth

We plan to deliver community arts workshops to produce to two large scale art installations based on play and Birmingham.

Sutton NNS

Deliver a mixture of online and face to face tea dances to residents that are over 55 in Sutton Coldfield.

Legacy Fund

We plan to record and share stories of play heritage from Birmingham's diverse communities. Speaking about the connections which exist between its places, people and the effect of the Commonwealth games.

Connecting communities

Opportunities provided for the public to engage through the delivery of crafting workshops, community play sessions and volunteering opportunities.

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Awards for all

Delivery of workshops for participants based around recycling of household scrap

Scrap Play workshops - centred on the use of scrap materials.

Events for volunteers to attend based around the above and to promote the Scrapstore to a wider audience.

Sport Birmingham

This project is part of Sport England Tackling Inequalities fund and provides sessions for mums to access exercise and wellbeing sessions while their child is looked after with funded creche facilities. The mums and children also have access to play sessions linked to The National Literacy trust 'First Words Together' programme.

Building Communities Together

This is a five year Big Lottery funded programme that BPCN deliver along with partners Stockfield Community Housing Association and Arts in the Yard. Based in the Stockfield area of Acocks Green the project aims to reduce isolation, provide play opportunities and increased access to the arts.

11 Related Party Transactions

There were no transactions with related parties during the year or previous year that require disclosure in these accounts.

12 Ultimate Controlling Party

The charity is wholly under the control of the board of Trustees.

13 Comparative Statement of Financial Activities (Incorporating an Income and Expenditure Account) for the year ended 31st March 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2021 Total Funds £
INCOME FROM:				
Donations & legacies				
Charitable activities	2	18,205	95,449	113,654
Investment income	3	48		48
TOTAL INCOME		18,253	95,449	113,702
EXPENDITURE ON:				
Raising funds	4	7,671		7,671
Charitable Activities	4	8,866	101,483	110,349
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		16,537	101,483	118,020
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		1,716	-6,034	-4,318
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS:				
Total funds brought forward		43,967	9,309	53,276
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		45,683	3,275	48,958