

THE ATHELSTAN NURSERY

England & Wales · Charity number 1166948

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2016-05-05

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

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Activities

Objects: TO ADVANCE THE EDUCATION OF CHILDREN BELOW COMPULSORY SCHOOL AGE.

Activities: The Athelstan Nursery is a pre-school opened in 1978 and run by a Committee of Trustees. It operates from the Parish Rooms, Athelstan Road, Hastings. Provision is offered for funded education and private places for children 2,3 &4 year old. Children with special educational needs and/or disabilities as well as children with English as an additional language are supported. OFSTED registered.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- East Sussex

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£167,073	£147,688	-	-
2024-08-31	£136,630	£120,771	-	-
2023-08-31	£126,057	£116,964	-	-
2022-08-31	£93,834	£107,923	-	-
2021-08-31	£111,272	£115,022	-	-
2020-08-31	£138,467	£138,751	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Janet Mary Gasson		2014-03-13
Jessica Dorey		2020-05-15
Patrick Ryan		2024-11-01
Sally Wade		2024-11-01

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for the period

01 September 2024 to 31 August 2025

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Trustees' annual report

for the year ended 31 August 2025

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Trustees	Janet Gasson - Chair/Secretary Jessica Dorey Patrick Ryan Sally Wade
Bankers	Lloyds Bank plc, Hastings
Independent examiner	Laura Dawson, Hastings Voluntary Action, Jackson Hall, Portland Place, Hastings, TN34 1QN

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Structure, Governance and Management

The Clive Vale Playgroup was established with a Committee of Parents and governed by a constitution adopted on 7th October 1978. It became The Athelstan Nursery in July 1995 when the constitution was amended and then amended again in October 1996. The Athelstan Nursery changed its Charity status to a CIO in 2016. Full adoption took effect following the AGM in 2017. Day to day management is undertaken by the manager who is responsible to the Trustees. The membership of the nursery is families of attending children and other adults with an interest in the nursery. The Trustees are in regular contact with each other and meet with the manager and deputy manager at least once a term and are present at general meetings which parents and carers are welcome to attend. Issues arising within the setting are raised through the Manager with the Trustees having the final say. All staff and Trustees hold valid and current DBS checks. Sharon stepped down as our Treasurer in the spring and we were joined during the year by two new Trustees, Patrick and Sally. We continue to struggle to find and recruit new Trustees and also to fill the Treasures post. Also maintaining an old building can be challenging at times.

Achievements and performance

The nursery began the year by welcoming new children and returning families. Once again morning sessions proved very popular. At Christmas we held a performance of children sing festive songs and had a party for them during which Father Christmas visited. A scavenger hunt with a spring theme was held at Easter. An end of year celebration was held in July with a return visit from the ice cream van. We continue to receive very positive feedback from past parents, reception class teachers and other professionals in the Early Years field. We also gain from recommendations and the positive reputation that we hold in the local community and have not needed to advertise. We held our AGM in May which was very well attended. Our improved finances allowed us to give staff a bonus both at Christmas and again in July as a thank you for all their hard work. We were also able to replace the flooring in the bathroom and kitchen and purchase a new fridge.

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Trustees' annual report(continued)
for the year ended 31 August 2025

Staff

We welcomed two new members of staff in September , Corinne and Jen. Lauren returned from Maternity leave in December and Catherine returned in the summer as a bank staff member. The Trustees are very grateful for the professional and efficient way the staff have worked during the year and their continued commitment to the nursery.

Learning and development

The Athelstan Nursery offers a safe, stimulating and rich space that encourages children to learn at their own pace. We provide broad, balanced and challenging activities which encourage children to explore. Staff work closely with parents to ensure the best outcomes for children. All staff are committed to continued professional development through training.

Special Thanks

Particular thanks go to all the staff in the nursery. They complement each other in skills and make the nursery an exciting environment for children to grow and develop. We also thank the Magdalen and Lasher charity and Hastings Voluntary Action for their continued support of the nursery. Special thanks go to Keith Miller who continues to offer his book keeping support to the nursery.

Donations acknowledged with thanks:

£200 received from Sussex Masonic Chambers.
£250 received from a parent and a dressing up trolley purchased with the money.
£200 received from The lodge of St Michael.
£400 received from The Muffin Club.
£808.79 received from Derwent Edwards Masonic Lodge.

Signed:

J.M. Gousson

Date:

12th January 2026

Chair

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of
The Athelstan Nursery
for the year ended 31 August 2025

I report on the accounts of the charity, which are set out on the following pages.

Respective responsibilities of committee 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.

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- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from 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 presents 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 reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 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.



Laura Dawson
Finance Manager
Hastings Voluntary Action
Jackson Hall, Portland Place, Hastings, TN34 1QN

Dated: 16/01/26

The Athelstan Nursery
Receipts & payments account
for the year end 31 August 2025

Previous Year		Notes	Current Year Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total funds
	Receipts				
111,634.36	EYEE Funding		153,044.98	-	153,044.98
22,228.50	Fees		12,048.41	-	12,048.41
148.00	Fundraising/trips & events		-	-	-
1,110.00	Grants & Donations		1,858.79	-	1,858.79
1,510.00	Miscellaneous Income		121.20	-	121.20
<u>136,630.86</u>			<u>167,073.38</u>	-	<u>167,073.38</u>
	Expenditure				
91,916.88	Wages		110,850.40	-	110,850.40
15,316.08	Rent & utilities		13,137.87	-	13,137.87
4,723.31	Equipment, Office, Materials		12,256.20	-	12,256.20
74.60	Trips & Events		24.99	-	24.99
-	Fundraising costs		-	-	-
63.20	Food		86.61	-	86.61
35.00	Ofsted		35.00	-	35.00
165.82	Memberships and Subscriptions		1,052.20	-	1,052.20
1,659.64	Repairs & Renewals		2,039.90	-	2,039.90
2,016.53	Health & Safety/Cleaning		3,621.24	-	3,621.24
761.97	Insurances		778.38	-	778.38
1,056.90	Training		333.70	-	333.70
39.60	Advertising		156.00	-	156.00
856.80	Accountancy & Payroll		895.20	-	895.20
100.40	Bank Charges		149.00	-	149.00
-	Bad Debts		-	-	-
1,984.72	Sundry Payments		2,271.50	-	2,271.50
<u>120,771.45</u>			<u>147,688.19</u>	-	<u>147,688.19</u>
15,859.41	Net surplus (deficit)		19,385.19	-	19,385.19
<u>58,236.91</u>	Opening balances @	1/9/24	<u>74,096.32</u>	-	<u>74,096.32</u>
<u>74,096.32</u>	Fund balances c/f @	31/8/25	<u>93,481.51</u>	-	<u>93,481.51</u>

The Athelstan Nursery
Statement of Assets & Liabilities
as at
31 August 2025

Previous year	Notes		Total Funds
		Cash assets	
70,499.34		Business account	93,476.59
-		Undeposited funds	-
3,509.65		Accounts receivable	-
87.33		Cash in hand	4.92
74,096.32		Total cash assets	93,481.51
		Liabilities	
-		Accounts payable	-
-		Outstanding cheques	-
-		Total liabilities	-
74,096.32			93,481.51

Assets retained for the charity's own use
The group holds a costed inventory of equipment

Approved by the Trustees on 9th January 2026 and signed on their behalf by

J. M. Gasson Janet Gasson - Chair/Secretary

The Athelstan Nursery
Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)
Registered Charity Number 1166948

Notes to the financial statements
For the year ended 31 August 2025

1. Receipts & payments accounts

Receipts and payments accounts are statements that summarise the movement of cash into and out of the charity during the financial year. In this context "cash" includes cash equivalents, for example, bank accounts where cash can be readily withdrawn to pay for debts as they become due. Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which comply with the regulations set out in the Charities Act 2011. The Trustees have elected to take advantage of the provisions that apply to small charities and have prepared a Receipts and Payments Account and Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

2. Premises and staff.

The premises are rented from the Magdalen and Lasher Trust.
The staff are directly employed by the Trustees.

3. Trustees' remuneration.

Trustees received no expenses, remuneration or benefits in this period.

4. Glossary of terms.

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Achievements and performance

The nursery began the year by welcoming new children and returning families. Once again morning sessions proved very popular. At Christmas we held a performance of children singing festive songs and had a party for them during which Father Christmas visited.

We continue to receive very positive feedback from past parents, reception class teachers and other professionals in the Early Years field. We also gain from recommendations and the positive reputation that we hold in the local community and have not needed to advertise.

We were able to hold our AGM in May which was very well attended. A sponsored letter hunt was held at Easter and a Teddy Bears picnic in the summer term. Our main achievement during this year is a much improved bank balance. This has been achieved by an increase in children attending the nursery and also an increase in Government funding. We were able to give all staff a bonus at the end of the summer term as thanks for all their hard work.

Staff

Lauren left in December for a years Maternity leave. Natasha took on an extra role as a mentor for the Department of Education, outside of her nursery working hours. Catherine left us in July after seven years working with us. She will be greatly missed.

The Trustees are very grateful for the professional and efficient way the staff have worked during the year and their continued commitment to the nursery.

Learning and development

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We also thank the Magdalen and Lasher charity and Hastings Voluntary Action for their continued support of the nursery. Special thanks go to Keith Miller who continues to offer his book keeping support to the nursery.

Donations acknowledged with thanks:

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Signed: J. M. Gasson.

1st April 2025

Chair

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of
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for the year ended 31 August 2024

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Laura Dawson
Finance Manager
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Jackson Hall, Portland Place, Hastings, TN34 1QN

Dated: 4/4/25

The Athelstan Nursery
Receipts & payments account
for the year end 31 August 2024

Previous Year			Current Year		
	<u>Receipts</u>	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total funds
105,890.16	EYEE Funding		111,634.36	-	111,634.36
19,315.55	Fees		22,228.50	-	22,228.50
843.80	Fundraising/trips & events		148.00	-	148.00
-	Grants & Donations		1,110.00	-	1,110.00
7.50	Miscellaneous Income		10.00	1,500.00	1,510.00
126,057.01			135,130.86	1,500.00	136,630.86
	<u>Expenditure</u>				
90,481.27	Wages		91,916.88	-	91,916.88
14,152.17	Rent & utilities		15,316.08	-	15,316.08
6,666.68	Equipment, Office, Materials		4,723.31	-	4,723.31
435.00	Trips & Events		74.60	-	74.60
319.00	Fundraising costs		-	-	-
88.45	Food		63.20	-	63.20
35.00	Ofsted		35.00	-	35.00
299.00	Memberships and Subscriptions		165.82	-	165.82
-	Repairs & Renewals		1,659.64	-	1,659.64
1,439.70	Health & Safety/Cleaning		2,016.53	-	2,016.53
776.71	Insurances		761.97	-	761.97
95.00	Training		1,056.90	-	1,056.90
534.78	Advertising		39.60	-	39.60
1,015.40	Accountancy & Payroll		856.80	-	856.80
106.13	Bank Charges		100.40	-	100.40
-	Bad Debts		-	-	-
520.04	Sundry Payments		484.72	1,500.00	1,984.72
116,964.33			119,271.45	1,500.00	120,771.45
9,092.68	Net surplus (deficit)		15,859.41	-	15,859.41
49,144.23	Opening balances @	1/9/23	58,236.91	-	58,236.91
58,236.91	Fund balances c/f @	31/8/24	74,096.32	-	74,096.32

The Athelstan Nursery
Statement of Assets & Liabilities
as at
31 August 2024

Previous year	Notes		Total Funds
		Cash assets	
53,660.25		Business account	70,499.34
-		Undeposited funds	-
4,558.66	5	Accounts receivable	3,509.65
18.00		Cash in hand	87.33
<u>58,236.91</u>		Total cash assets	<u>74,096.32</u>
		Liabilities	
-		Accounts payable	-
<u>-</u>		Outstanding cheques	<u>-</u>
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J. M. Gasson Janet Gasson - Chair/Secretary

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2. Premises and staff.

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3. Trustees' remuneration.

Trustees received no expenses, remuneration or benefits in this period.

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5. Debtors.

Figure includes £3,509.65 credit balance at HMRC. This relates to credits for Maternity Allowance and Employment Allowance which, for several months, have exceeded the total payable in respect of Income tax and NI.. Will resolve itself naturally in due course.

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Achievements and performance

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We continue to receive very positive feedback from past parents, reception class teachers and other professionals in the Early Years field. We also gain from recommendations and the positive reputation that we hold in the local community and have not needed to advertise.

We were able to hold our AGM in May which was very well attended. A pirate dress up day and raffle raised £69.50 which went towards purchasing some resources for the garden.

The Trustees are mindful of the financial stresses facing nurseries today and have been grateful this year for the Government's support with fuel costs over the winter. We continue to monitor our finances and give careful consideration to our spending.

The Athelstan Nursery

Trustees' annual report(continued)

for the year ended 31 August 2023

Staff

We welcomed two new Early years professionals to our staff team during the year. Leann in September, and Sarah in January. Lauren took over the role of Two Year Lead. Natasha topped up her degree to a level 6.

The Trustees are very grateful for the professional and efficient way the staff have worked during another difficult year and their continued commitment to the nursery.

Learning and development

We continued to work hard towards creating a learning environment conducive to the new and up to date regulations. Staff are able to reflect on children's learning and development and encompass their learning styles and interests into every day planning.

Special Thanks

Particular thanks go to all the staff in the nursery. They complement each other in skills and make the nursery an exciting environment for children to grow and develop.

We also thank the Magdalen and Lasher charity for their continued support of the nursery. Special thanks go to Keith Miller from HVA who has now retired after many years of supporting the nursery.

Donations acknowledged with thanks:

No donations have been received during this period.

Signed:

J. M. Gausson.

Date:

4th March 2024

Chair

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Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from 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 presents 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 reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 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.



Laura Dawson
Finance Manager
Hastings Voluntary Action
Jackson Hall, Portland Place, Hastings, TN34 1QN

Dated: 5/3/24.

The Athelstan Nursery
Receipts & payments account
for the year ended 31 August 2023

Previous Year			Current Year		
	<u>Receipts</u>	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total funds
73,231.75	EYEE Funding		105,890.16	-	105,890.16
20,601.96	Fees		19,315.55	-	19,315.55
-	Fundraising/trips & events		843.80	-	843.80
-	Grants & Donations		-	-	-
-	Miscellaneous Income		7.50	-	7.50
<u>93,833.71</u>			<u>126,057.01</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>126,057.01</u>
	<u>Expenditure</u>				
86,813.89	Wages		90,481.27	-	90,481.27
10,995.64	Rent & utilities		14,152.17	-	14,152.17
4,793.70	Equipment, Office, Materials		3,529.37	3,137.31	6,666.68
777.44	Trips & Events		435.00	-	435.00
4.14	Fundraising costs		319.00	-	319.00
54.58	Food		88.45	-	88.45
35.00	Ofsted		35.00	-	35.00
270.00	Memberships and Subscriptions		299.00	-	299.00
493.00	Repairs & Renewals		-	-	-
1,229.77	Health & Safety/Cleaning		1,439.70	-	1,439.70
697.84	Insurances		776.71	-	776.71
175.10	Training		95.00	-	95.00
-	Advertising		534.78	-	534.78
672.30	Accountancy & Payroll		1,015.40	-	1,015.40
124.40	Bank Charges		106.13	-	106.13
-	Bad Debts		-	-	-
785.73	Sundry Payments		520.04	-	520.04
<u>107,922.53</u>			<u>113,827.02</u>	<u>3,137.31</u>	<u>116,964.33</u>
(14,088.82)	Net surplus (deficit)		12,229.99	(3,137.31)	9,092.68
<u>63,233.05</u>	Opening balances @	1/9/22	<u>46,006.92</u>	<u>3,137.31</u>	<u>49,144.23</u>
<u>49,144.23</u>	Fund balances c/f @	31/8/23	<u>58,236.91</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>58,236.91</u>

The Athelstan Nursery
Statement of Assets & Liabilities
as at
31 August 2023

Previous year	Notes		Total Funds
		Cash assets	
47,457.74		Business account	53,660.25
-		Undeposited funds	-
1,686.49	5	Accounts receivable	4,558.66
-		Cash in hand	18.00
<u>49,144.23</u>		Total cash assets	<u>58,236.91</u>
		Liabilities	
-		Accounts payable	-
-		Outstanding cheques	-
<u>-</u>		Total liabilities	<u>-</u>
<u>49,144.23</u>			<u><u>58,236.91</u></u>

Assets retained for the charity's own use

The group holds a costed inventory of equipment

Approved by the Trustees on 1st March 2024 and signed on their behalf by

J.M. Gasson. Janet Gasson - Chair/Secretary

The Athelstan Nursery
Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)
Registered Charity Number 1166948

Notes to the financial statements
For the year ended 31 August 2023

1. Receipts & payments accounts

Receipts and payments accounts are statements that summarise the movement of cash into and out of the charity during the financial year. In this context "cash" includes cash equivalents, for example, bank accounts where cash can be readily withdrawn to pay for debts as they become due. Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which comply with the regulations set out in the Charities Act 2011. The Trustees have elected to take advantage of the provisions that apply to small charities and have prepared a Receipts and Payments Account and Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

2. Premises and staff.

The premises are rented from the Magdalen and Lasher Trust.
The staff are directly employed by the Trustees.

3. Trustees' remuneration.

Trustees received no expenses, remuneration or benefits in this period.

4. Glossary of terms.

Restricted funds: These are funds given to the charity, subject to specific restrictions set by the donor, but still within the general objects of the charity.

5. Debtors.

Figure includes £3,818.66 credit balance at HMRC. This relates to overpayments made due to mix up over Maternity Allowance repayments. Will resolve itself naturally by around April 2024.

THE ATHELSTAN NURSERY

England & Wales - Charity number 1166948

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The Athelstan Nursery

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for the period

01 September 2021 to 31 August 2022

Registered Charity Number 1166948

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The Athelstan Nursery

Trustees' annual report

for the year ended 31 August 2022

Full name	The Athelstan Nursery
Registered charity number	1166948
Principal Address	The Athelstan Nursery, All Souls Church Hall, Athelstan Road, Clive Vale, Hastings, TN35 5JE
Trustees	Janet Gasson - Chair/Secretary Jessica Dorey Sally King Sharon Mayhew
Bankers	Lloyds Bank plc, Hastings
Independent examiner	Keith Miller, Hastings Voluntary Action, Jackson Hall, Portland Place, Hastings, TN34 1QN
Objects	To advance the education of children below compulsory school age.

The Athelstan Nursery

Trustees' annual report

for the year ended 31 August 2022

Background

The Athelstan Nursery opened in 1978 and is managed by a Committee of Trustees. It operates from the parish rooms in the Clive Vale area of Hastings. Magdalen and Lasher own the hall and allow the nursery sole use of the space with a renewable 5yr lease. Opening hours are from Monday to Friday, 9 am to 3 pm during term time only. The nursery is registered with OFSTED and the Charity Commission. Provision is offered for funded education and private places for children aged 2, 3 & 4 years old. Children with special educational needs and/or disabilities as well as children with English as an additional language are supported. There is a staff of 5 employees who hold relevant qualifications in Early Years. The staff team receive support from the management committee and the local authority early years team.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Athelstan Nursery was established with a Committee of Trustees governed by a constitution adopted on 7th October 1978, and amended in July 1995 and October 1996.

The Athelstan Nursery CIO has been registered with the Charity Commission and full adoption took effect following the AGM in 2017.

Day to day management is undertaken by the manager who is responsible to the Trustees. The membership of the nursery is families of attending children and other adults with an interest in the nursery. The Trustees are in regular contact with each other and meet with the manager and deputy manager at least once a term and are present at general meetings which parents and carers are welcome to attend. Issues arising within the setting are raised through the Manager with the Trustees having the final say. Trustees are welcome to attend the staff meetings. Parents and carers are welcomed into the setting and to join the Friends group for fundraising and social events. All staff and committee members hold valid and current DBS checks.

Achievements and performance

The nursery began the year by welcoming new children and returning families. Once again morning sessions proved very popular. Nursery was closed for seven days during November because of an outbreak of COVID amongst staff. Parents were very supportive. In January we had our long awaited Ofsted inspection and received a Good grading. Sixteen children left for primary school in July having gained hugely from their learning and experiences at Athelstan. We continue to receive very positive feedback from past parents, reception class teachers and other professionals in the Early Years field. We also gain from recommendations and the positive reputation that we hold in the local community and have not needed to advertise. We were able to hold our AGM in May which was very well attended. It was lovely to see parents and carers back in the nursery. Due to Covid and lack of support no fund raising activities took place this year. However all staff and children enjoyed an end of year trip to The Rare Breeds Centre.

The Athelstan Nursery
Trustees' annual report(continued)
for the year ended 31 August 2022

Staff

Hollie left the nursery at Easter to take Maternity leave after five years working with us. In July Laura retired after nineteen years at the nursery. She will be greatly missed but plans to stay on as bank staff.

The Trustees are very grateful for the professional and efficient way the staff have worked during another difficult year and their continued commitment to the nursery.

Learning and development

We continued to work hard towards creating a learning environment conducive to the new and up to date regulations. We were able to reflect the learning and development for each individual child and encompass their learning styles, schemes and interests into every day planning.

Special Thanks

Particular thanks go to all the staff in the nursery. They complement each other in skills and make the nursery an exciting environment for children to grow and develop.

We also thank the Magdalen and Lasher charity for their continued support of the nursery.

Thanks also go to Hastings Voluntary Action for their guidance and support.

Donations acknowledged with thanks:

No donations have been received during this period.

Signed:

J.M. Gasson.

Date:

10th May 2023

Chair

The Athelstan Nursery

Trustees' annual report (continued)

for the year end 31st August 2022

Managers report September 2021 to August 2022

We return to nursery with 27 children on roll

We continued to be supported by Laura Piper who is east Sussex early year improvement officer, and she was confident we are Ofsted ready; Natasha is invited to join a hub group of managers who are in Good to Outstanding nurseries.

We supported a student from East Sussex Coast college. COVID continued to have an impact with staff and children taking periods of time away from nursery.

Lauren attends the revised Integrated progress review training in order to support Laura who was the existing two year lead.

Children up take is slow with few show arounds, this meant staffing levels were high to child ratios.

At Christmas restrictions are in place due to COVID so sadly we had to film the nativity and put on learning journals. We held our usual parties for children to enjoy.

In January 2022 we had our Ofsted inspection and received a grading of Good. Well done to the nursery team who managed well under the scrutiny of the inspection.

Staff are hit by COVID again as to children and families which disrupts nursery life. Once again Natasha and Nicky feel that new children may be holding back from attending nursery due to restrictions.

Easter 2022 Hollie Turner starts her maternity leave and has a baby girl soon after.

An energy performance assessment is carried out by Oakfield on the property.

Natasha attends Understanding Attachment training. Nursery closes on the 5th May for polling.

11th May is the AGM and this has a big uptake from parents over previous years.

In June we joined the country with Jubilee celebrations

Laura Bailey hands in her notice after 20 years of service but has agreed to stay on as a bank member of staff. We recruit a new member of staff to join our team

We enjoy a nursery day out to the rare breeds center which is well attended by children and families. Transitions to school work takes place with lots of visiting reception teachers. We invite parents in for our leaving celebrations and good bye to 34 children who are off to school.

Natasha Sandaver , Nursery Manager

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of
The Athelstan Nursery
for the year ended 31 August 2022

I report on the accounts of the charity, which are set out on the following pages.

Respective responsibilities of committee 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 report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from 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 presents 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 reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 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.



Keith Miller
Finance Officer
Hastings Voluntary Action
Jackson Hall, Portland Place, Hastings, TN34 1QN

Dated: 3rd February 2023

The Athelstan Nursery
Receipts & payments account
for the year end 31 August 2022

Previous Year		Notes	Current Year		Total funds
	<u>Receipts</u>		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	
98,781.87	EYEE Funding		73,231.75	-	73,231.75
11,089.63	Fees		20,601.96	-	20,601.96
-	Fundraising/trips & events		-	-	-
-	Grants & Donations		-	-	-
1,400.00	Miscellaneous Income		-	-	-
<u>111,271.50</u>			<u>93,833.71</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>93,833.71</u>
	<u>Expenditure</u>				
95,464.82	Wages		86,813.89	-	86,813.89
10,258.96	Rent & utilities		10,995.64	-	10,995.64
2,877.32	Equipment, Office, Materials		4,793.70	-	4,793.70
-	Trips & Events		777.44	-	777.44
-	Fundraising costs		4.14	-	4.14
67.04	Food		54.58	-	54.58
35.00	Ofsted		35.00	-	35.00
265.72	Memberships and Subscriptions		270.00	-	270.00
2,256.49	Repairs & Renewals		493.00	-	493.00
892.63	Health & Safety/Cleaning		1,229.77	-	1,229.77
612.26	Insurances		697.84	-	697.84
1,090.00	Training		175.10	-	175.10
-	Advertising		-	-	-
996.90	Accountancy & Payroll		672.30	-	672.30
106.32	Bank Charges		124.40	-	124.40
-	Bad Debts		-	-	-
97.91	Sundry Payments		785.73	-	785.73
<u>115,021.37</u>			<u>107,922.53</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>107,922.53</u>
(3,749.87)	Net surplus (deficit)		(14,088.82)	-	(14,088.82)
<u>66,982.92</u>	Opening balances @	1/9/21	<u>60,095.74</u>	<u>3,137.31</u>	<u>63,233.05</u>
<u>63,233.05</u>	Fund balances c/f @	31/8/22	<u>46,006.92</u>	<u>3,137.31</u>	<u>49,144.23</u>

The Athelstan Nursery
Statement of Assets & Liabilities
as at
31 August 2022

Previous year	Notes		Total Funds
63,039.88		Cash assets	
-		Business account	47,457.74
(18.85)		Undeposited funds	-
212.02	5	Accounts receivable	1,686.49
<u>63,233.05</u>		Cash in hand	-
		Total cash assets	<u>49,144.23</u>
		Liabilities	
-		Accounts payable	-
<u>-</u>		Outstanding cheques	-
-		Total liabilities	<u>-</u>
<u>63,233.05</u>			<u><u>49,144.23</u></u>

Assets retained for the charity's own use

The group holds a costed inventory of equipment

Approved by the Trustees on 10th May 2023 and signed on their behalf by

J.M. Gasson. Janet Gasson - Chair/Secretary

The Athelstan Nursery
Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)
Registered Charity Number 1166948

Notes to the financial statements
For the year ended 31 August 2022

1. Receipts & payments accounts

Receipts and payments accounts are statements that summarise the movement of cash into and out of the charity during the financial year. In this context "cash" includes cash equivalents, for example, bank accounts where cash can be readily withdrawn to pay for debts as they become due. Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which comply with the regulations set out in the Charities Act 2011. The Trustees have elected to take advantage of the provisions that apply to small charities and have prepared a Receipts and Payments Account and Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

2. Premises and staff.

The premises are rented from the Magdalen and Lasher Trust.
The staff are directly employed by the Trustees.

3. Trustees' remuneration.

Trustees received no expenses, remuneration or benefits in this period.

4. Glossary of terms.

Restricted funds: These are funds given to the charity, subject to specific restrictions set by the donor, but still within the general objects of the charity.

5. Debtors.

Figure includes £1,676.24 credit balance at HMRC. This relates to Maternity Allowance repayable, currently exceeding the value of tax/NI payable on all salaries. Will resolve itself naturally in due course.

THE ATHELSTAN NURSERY

England & Wales - Charity number 1166948

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The Athelstan Nursery

Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)

Trustees' report and Financial Statements

for the period

01 September 2020 to 31 August 2021

Registered Charity Number 1166948

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The Athelstan Nursery

Trustees' annual report

for the year ended 31 August 2021

Full name	The Athelstan Nursery
Registered charity number	1166948
Principal Address	The Athelstan Nursery, All Souls Church Hall, Athelstan Road, Clive Vale, Hastings, TN35 5JE
Trustees	Janet Gasson - Chair/Secretary Lucille West (until November 2020) Jessica Dorey Sally King Sharon Mayhew (Appointed Nov 2020)
Bankers	Lloyds Bank plc, Hastings
Independent examiner	Keith Miller, Hastings Voluntary Action, Jackson Hall, Portland Place, Hastings, TN34 1QN
Objects	To advance the education of children below compulsory school age.

The Athelstan Nursery

Trustees' annual report

for the year ended 31 August 2021

Background

The Athelstan opened in 1978 and is run by a Committee of Trustees. It operates from the parish rooms in the Clive Vale area of Hastings. Magdalen and Lasher own the hall and allow the nursery sole use of the space with a renewable 5yr lease. Opening hours are from Monday to Friday, 9am to 3pm during term time only. The nursery is registered with OFSTED and the Charity Commission. Provision is offered for funded education and private places for children aged 2, 3 & 4 years old. Children with special educational needs and/or disabilities as well as children with English as an additional language are supported. There is a staff of 6 employees who hold relevant qualifications in Early Years. The staff team receive support from the management committee and the local authority early years team.

Structure, Governance and Management

The Athelstan Nursery was established with a Committee of Trustees governed by a constitution adopted on 7th October 1978, and amended in July 1995 and October 1996. The Athelstan Nursery CIO has been registered with the Charity Commission and full adoption took effect following the AGM in 2017.

Day to day management is undertaken by the manager who is responsible to the Trustees. The membership of the nursery is families of attending children and other adults with an interest in the nursery. The Trustees are in regular contact with each other and meet with the manager and deputy manager at least once a term and are present at general meetings which parents and carers are welcome to attend. Issues arising within the setting are raised through the Manager with the Trustees having the final say. Trustees are welcome to attend the staff meetings. Lucille stepped down as a trustee in November after many years of dedicated service to the nursery. We welcomed Sharon, Athelstan's previous manager, as a new Trustee. Parents and carers are welcomed into the setting and to join the Friends group for fundraising and social events. All staff and committee members hold valid and current DBS checks.

Achievements and performance

The nursery began the year with 36 children on role, with morning sessions again very popular. COVID restrictions remained in place and we continued to follow Government advice. Nursery remained open for 4 days a week during the 3rd lockdown of January and February with a reduction in the number of children attending. Twenty seven children left for primary school in July having gained hugely from their learning and experiences at Athelstan. We continue to receive very positive feedback from past parents, reception class teachers and other professionals in the Early Years field. We also gain from recommendations and the positive reputation that we hold in the local community and have not needed to advertise. We were able to hold a socially distanced AGM in May which was very well attended. It was lovely to see parents and carers back in the nursery. One impact of COVID 19 has been that we have been unable to do any Fundraising activities however money has been spent on garden repairs and new blinds for the back hall.

The Athelstan Nursery

Trustees' annual report(continued)

for the year ended 31 August 2021

Staff

Our Deputy Manager Nat left us in February to continue her career in another setting. Nicky was promoted to the Deputy Manager role and Catherine took on the role of EYFS lead. Staff hours were cut from 1st November in order to save money and some staff were furloughed during February.

The Trustees are very grateful for the very professional and efficient way the staff have worked during this difficult year and their continued commitment to the nursery.

Learning and development

We continued to work hard towards creating a learning environment conducive to the new and up to date regulations. We were able to reflect the learning and development for each individual child and encompass their learning styles, schemes and interests into every day planning. The East Sussex County Council Early Years Support and Intervention Officer has again spent time at the nursery supporting Natasha in preparing for the new EYFS and expected OFSTED inspection. Her support is invaluable.

Special Thanks

Particular thanks go to all the staff in the nursery. They complement each other in skills and make the nursery an exciting environment for children to grow and develop. We also thank the Magdalen and Lasher charity for their continued support of the nursery. Thanks also go to Hastings Voluntary Action for their guidance and support.

Donations acknowledged with thanks:

No donations have been received during this period.

Signed:

J.M. Gasson.

Date:

11th May 2022

Chair

The Athelstan Nursery

Trustees' annual report(continued)

for the year ended 31 August 2021

Managers Report **September 2020- August 2021**

We begin the new academic year with restrictions in place due to COVID.
Fore shore trust final payment is received and signed off.

Work takes place on the ceiling, and all floor areas are professionally deep cleaned ready for reopening.

Nursery reopens in line with Government guidance. 36 children 9x 2yr old's, 2 children on ISEND plans.

New room dividers arrive and are installed.

2nd lockdown which meant restricted visits and new children starting.

Staff attend relevant emotional wellbeing training which is done via Microsoft teams.

Christmas party x2 each child receives a gift (book) and a cooked lunch.

Jan 2021 lockdown we support 16 children, 9 of whom are those of keyworkers, 2 deemed vulnerable and one with a social worker.

February staff are furloughed for 20% of their hours.

Nursery decides on restructure due to financial implications of COVID and Nat Rumary offers herself for voluntary severance. Nicola Robinson is promoted to deputy Manager. Catherine Dunne becomes the EYFS lead. Laura Baily continues as the setting's 2-year lead.

Garden area is redeveloped for health and safety reasons.

AGM 12/05/21 well attended by parents.

Senior members of staff complete Health and safety training

Term 6 begins with 50 children on roll.

Natasha, Nicky and Laura update 1st Aid training.

New blinds installed to back hall.

Ease restrictions in nursery related to Covid 19

27 children leave for school

23 returning

September sees the introduction of new EYFS and Development Matters.

Although a challenging year for the nursery Natasha was pleased that as a setting disruption to children and families was minimal and would like to thank the staff for their hard work and commitment and to the Trustees for their continued support.

Natasha Sandaver, Nursery Manager

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of
The Athelstan Nursery
for the year ended 31 August 2021

I report on the accounts of the charity, which are set out on the following pages.

Respective responsibilities of committee 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 report

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Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1. which gives reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

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


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Keith Miller

Finance Officer

Hastings Voluntary Action

Jackson Hall, Portland Place, Hastings, TN34 1QN

Dated: 3/2/22

The Athelstan Nursery
Receipts & payments account
for the year end 31 August 2021

Previous Year		Notes	Current Year		
	Receipts		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total funds
111,799.04	EYEE Funding		98,781.87	-	98,781.87
20,060.48	Fees		11,089.63	-	11,089.63
6,589.50	Fundraising/trips & events		-	-	-
-	Grants & Donations		-	-	-
18.37	Miscellaneous Income		1,400.00	-	1,400.00
<u>138,467.39</u>			<u>111,271.50</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>111,271.50</u>
	Expenditure				
107,933.26	Wages		95,464.82	-	95,464.82
12,869.75	Rent & utilities		10,258.96	-	10,258.96
4,826.28	Equipment, Office, Materials		2,138.08	739.24	2,877.32
70.66	Trips & Events		-	-	-
-	Fundraising costs		-	-	-
86.68	Food		67.04	-	67.04
35.00	Ofsted		35.00	-	35.00
-	Memberships and Subscriptions		265.72	-	265.72
7,880.17	Repairs & Renewals		2,256.49	-	2,256.49
1,341.06	Health & Safety/Cleaning		892.63	-	892.63
583.74	Insurances		612.26	-	612.26
441.00	Training		1,090.00	-	1,090.00
-	Advertising		-	-	-
1,224.40	Accountancy & Payroll		996.90	-	996.90
99.22	Bank Charges		106.32	-	106.32
-	Bad Debts		-	-	-
1,360.05	Sundry Payments		97.91	-	97.91
<u>138,751.27</u>			<u>114,282.13</u>	<u>739.24</u>	<u>115,021.37</u>
(283.88)	Net surplus (deficit)		(3,010.63)	(739.24)	(3,749.87)
<u>67,266.80</u>	Opening balances @	1/9/20	<u>63,106.37</u>	<u>3,876.55</u>	<u>66,982.92</u>
<u>66,982.92</u>	Fund balances c/f	31/8/21	<u>60,095.74</u>	<u>3,137.31</u>	<u>63,233.05</u>

The Athelstan Nursery
Statement of Assets & Liabilities
as at
31 August 2021

Previous year		Total Funds
	Cash assets	
600.00	Current account	-
62,336.46	Business account	63,039.88
3,876.55	Fundraising account	-
-	Undeposited funds	-
-	Accounts receivable	- 18.85
169.91	Cash in hand	212.02
<u>66,982.92</u>	Total cash assets	<u>63,233.05</u>
	Liabilities	
-	Accounts payable	-
-	Outstanding cheques	-
<u>-</u>	Total liabilities	<u>-</u>
<u>66,982.92</u>		<u><u>63,233.05</u></u>

Assets retained for the charity's own use
The group holds a costed inventory of equipment

Approved by the Trustees on 11th May 2022 and signed on their behalf by
J.M. Gasson. Janet Gasson - Chair/Secretary

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Notes to the financial statements
For the year ended 31 August 2021

1. Receipts & payments accounts

Receipts and payments accounts are statements that summarise the movement of cash into and out of the charity during the financial year. In this context "cash" includes cash equivalents, for example, bank accounts where cash can be readily withdrawn to pay for debts as they become due. Charity law requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which comply with the regulations set out in the Charities Act 2011. The Trustees have elected to take advantage of the provisions that apply to small charities and have prepared a Receipts and Payments Account and Statement of Assets and Liabilities.

2. Premises and staff.

The premises are rented from the Magdalen and Lasher Trust.
The staff are directly employed by the Trustees.

3. Trustees' remuneration.

Trustees received no expenses, remuneration or benefits in this period.

4. Glossary of terms.

Restricted funds: These are funds given to the charity, subject to specific restrictions set by the donor, but still within the general objects of the charity.