

Brief historical context

Following the decision of Oxfordshire County Council to cut funding to the majority of its locally-based Children's Centres and to concentrate its statutory services in a few [regional hubs](#), it was decided to establish a local community run charity to continue the work of our local Children's Centre. [The Red Kite Family Centre \(RKFC\)](#) charity was set up in January 2017, trustees were appointed, and the centre opened with its new leader and staff team in place in April 2017. Since then it has been operating very successfully and this report highlights its main achievements and the value it brings to all families with young children in our area.

Trustees (as at end March 2022)

Katie English (co-Chair)
Amy Spicer (co-Chair)
Lottie Curry (Secretary)
Rosie Pearce (co-Treasurer)
Sarah Bradford (co-Treasurer)
John Hulett
Sarah Roberts
Rebecca Matthews

This year, we welcomed Sarah Bradford and Amy Spicer to the Board of Trustees, both of whom were previous employees of the RKFC and therefore bring invaluable insight to the Board.

Mary Stiles stepped down from the Board during the year, having supported the Centre tirelessly since it re-opened as a Charity, and we are extremely grateful for the time that she so generously gave. John Hulett also stepped down from his role as Chairman, having led the Board for over five years and established a flourishing community-led charity. Katie-Lee English and Amy Spicer jointly took on the role as Chair from this year.

The Trustees have continued to hold regular meetings during the year and these are fully recorded and notes of outcomes are available on request.

Post year end note: As at the time of Annual Report submission, Sarah Roberts and Rebecca Matthews have stepped down. We are grateful to them both for their contributions over the years.

Staff Team

The RKFC employs a small team of staff, all on permanent, part-time contracts. As at January 2023, we have five employees.

The provision offered by RKFC

There are two main bases for our activities, the main site in Southern Road, Thame and the satellite location in at Chinnor Library, Chinnor. Through these bases RKFC offers a full programme of universal (open to all parents of under 5s) and targeted activities each week and our sites are also used regularly by NHS midwives, health visitors and speech and language therapists. These partnerships with health professionals mean that we can provide a 'one-stop shop' of advice, support and activities for all parents with pre-school children from birth to 4yrs old. Our

staff continue to work closely with Oxfordshire Early Help support team and Children's Services and our sites are often hired by social services for contact and other case review meetings.

Towards the end of the period covered by this report our agreement with a local landowner in the neighbouring village of Moreton came to an end, and with it our ability to offer our Outdoor Explorers sessions. Whilst this was a big loss for the RKFC, we hope to identify a new site in future and re-start these sessions.

Statement from the Chairs

The Trustees and Family Centre staff team acknowledge that the future sustainability of the Family Centre is dependent on two key factors:

1. The local community recognising the positive impact that the work of the centre is having on the lives of all parents and pre-school children in our area.
2. Attracting the funding needed to manage the running of the centres in Thame and Chinnor and having effective plans in place to achieve this.

The year covered by this report was dominated by recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. Over the course of the year we began to lift some of the restrictions on our activities (e.g. the caps of the number of people using the RKFC), but our ability to operate was significantly impacted by illness and self-isolation requirements, which limited staff availability. Nonetheless, we remained open to those who needed us throughout.

Fundraising and Financial Position

RKFC, like so many other charities suffered significantly during and post-COVID-19, as many fundraising events were cancelled. Most subscribers to our 'Friends' scheme continued their support which was gratifying. Overall financial support for the Family Centre was however sustained during the year with grants being received from the Town Council, local businesses, Covid support grant and other grant making bodies.

The rising cost of energy and the rising cost of living are significantly, and adversely affecting our financial position and we are continuing to work on increasing our income to cover rising expenses.

Post-year end note: In January 2023 we were made aware that our largest business Sponsor has gone into Administration. This means that £24,000 of our budgeted annual income stream will now not be received. Whilst the loss of a quarter of the RKFC's income presents a serious risk to our ability to continue providing services at our current level, the Trustees are prioritising securing a new funding stream to protect the future of RKFC and the support it provides to our Community.

K. English and A. Spicer, Joint Chairs of the Board of Trustees.

RED KITE FAMILY CENTRE					
BALANCE SHEET AT 31 MARCH					
			2022		2021
			£	£	£
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors			3429		555
Bank			73404		106898
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CURRENT LIABILITIES			76832		107453
Accrued Expenses			-1297		-2138
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NET CURRENT ASSETS				78129	109591
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NET ASSETS				78129	109591
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ACCUMULATED FUNDS					
Brought Forward			109591		93839
Defecit/Surplus for the year			-31462		15752
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				78129	109591
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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF THE RED KITE FAMILY CENTRE					
I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Red Kite Family Centre					
[The Trust] for the year ended 31st March 2022					
RESPONSIBILITIES AND BASIS OF REPORT					
As the charity trustees of the Trust you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts.					
in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 [The Act]					
I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under					
section 145 of the Actand 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					
INDEPENDANT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT					
I have completed my examination and confirm that no material matters have come to my					
attention in accordance with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any					
material respect;					
	1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust				
	as required by Section 130 of the Act;or				
	2. the accountsdo not accord with those records.				
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					
Keith Tattersfield FCA		1 Dec 2022			

RED KITE FAMILY CENTRE													
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH													
		2022		2021									
		£	£	£	£								
INCOME													
Donations;													
Individuals		43		10046									
Companies/Trusts etc		31790		47052									
		-----	31883	-----	57098								
Grants			16188		31157								
Subscriptions[Friends Scheme]			4516		2672								
Fundraising Events			148		2265								
Off site Activities					2020								
Room Hire			6120		3122								
Courses			327		--								
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Total Income			59182		98334								
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EXPENDITURE													
Salaries			59466		57270								
Start up Costs			--		2186								
Rent			8650		5050								
Insurance			331		56							Sundries	
Utilities			2736		2391								
Repairs and Maintenance			6131		3683								
Sundries			7486		--								
Off site Expenses			4408		7450								
DBS Checks			102		33								
Staff Training			129										
Session Costs			570		3030								
Deprediation			--		348								
Telecom			635		1085								
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Total Expenditure			90644		82582								
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Deficit/Surplus for the year			-31462		15752								
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Profit and Loss

Red Kite Family Centre

For the year ended 31 March 2022

2022

Turnover

CENTRE FUNDRAISING	148.19
COMMUNITY & ADULT LEARNING	326.50
COMMUNITY FUNDRAISING	6,232.25
COMPANY DONATIONS	25,603.77
FRIENDS OF RED KITE	4,515.75
GRANTS	16,187.56
INDIVIDUAL DONATIONS	42.91
Interest Income	3.77
ROOM HIRE	6,120.97
Total Turnover	59,181.67

Gross Profit

59,181.67

Administrative Costs

ACCOUNTANCY	1,116.00
Advertising & Marketing	452.50
CENTRE COSTS - inc Play equipment	433.10
Centre Resources	310.34
CLEANING COSTS	3,966.29
DBS CHECKS	102.00
Entertainment-100% business	298.69
Health & Safety	405.08
Insurance	331.29
IT SERVICES	2,789.38
Maintenance Contracts	2,710.95
Outdoor Explorers - Moreton	1,618.82
Pensions Costs	527.23
PREMISES COSTS - Grounds Maintenance & Repairs	2,165.05
Printing & Stationery	655.06
Rent	8,650.00
Salaries	59,465.74
Session Resources	569.68
STAFF TRAINING	129.24
Subscriptions	533.38
TELEPHONE	634.73
UTILITIES - ELECTRICITY	1,412.17
UTILITIES - GAS	426.51
WASTE COLLECTION	896.56
Total Administrative Costs	90,599.79

Operating Profit

(31,418.12)

2022

Other Income

Donation	155.00
Total Other Income	155.00

Profit on Ordinary Activities Before Taxation	(31,263.12)
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Profit after Taxation	(31,263.12)
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Balance Sheet

Red Kite Family Centre As at 31 March 2022

31 MAR 2022

Current Assets

Cash at bank and in hand

Red Kite Family Centre	61,331.88
RED KITE FAMILY CENTRE RESERVE	12,072.00
Total Cash at bank and in hand	73,403.88

Accounts Receivable	3,429.00
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Total Current Assets	76,832.88
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Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

Accounts Payable	1,123.59
PAYE Payable	139.43
Pensions Payable	107.51
Suspense	(2,163.31)
VAT	(166.65)
Wages Payable - Payroll	(336.77)
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(1,296.20)

Net Current Assets (Liabilities)	78,129.08
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Total Assets less Current Liabilities	78,129.08
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Net Assets	78,129.08
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Capital and Reserves

Current Year Earnings	(31,263.12)
Opening balances	91,496.27
Retained Earnings	17,895.93
Total Capital and Reserves	78,129.08