



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name

No (if any)

## Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period  
from

Period start date  
01/04/2020

To

Period end date  
31/03/2021

### Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
<b>A1 Receipts</b>					
	14,604	-	-	14,604	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	14,604	-	-	14,604	-
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total receipts</b>	14,604	-	-	14,604	-
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
	7,526	-	-	7,526	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	7,526	-	-	7,526	-
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total payments</b>	7,526	-	-	7,526	-
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	7,078	-	-	7,078	-
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	7,078	-	-	7,078	-

## Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds		13,815	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	<b>Total cash funds</b>	<b>13,815</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	Agreement Error	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	



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## **Appendix b Trustees' Annual Report for the period**

**From Period start date 4<sup>th</sup> November 2020 To 5<sup>th</sup> November 2021 Period end date**

**Charity name: The Place**

**Charity registration number: 1175671**

### **Objectives and Activities**

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The objects of the CIO (The Place) are to further such charitable purposes for the benefit of families with young children resident in the Faringdon area, in particular but not exclusively by advancing the education of such families in relation to childcare, parenting, health, the environment, ICT and life skills by such means as The Trustees may consider appropriate.
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	<p>The Place offers the following groups: Play at the Place (a universal group providing play activities in line with EYFS); Baby Groups; New Parent, New Baby, Baby Massage and Breastfeeding support groups. These provide support and advice for families and are inclusive to all families with children under 5. During school holidays, outings and outdoor events are offered for families including older siblings. Family Links Parenting and First Aid Courses are also offered</p> <p>A Clothes Library is also available providing baby clothes from 0-1yr and maternity clothes. Clothes are also sourced for older children on request.</p> <p>The Place hosts the Health Visitor clinic.</p> <p>During Covid 19 when groups had to cease,</p>

		<p>we ran online groups including story/singing time; Baby Groups and New Parent, New Baby and Baby Massage groups.</p> <p>Families have been supported by phone calls and email support and regular links have been put on Facebook and the website giving activities and resources for families.</p> <p>Craft packs and loans of toys and resources have been given to families.</p>
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	All spending commitments and activities are guided by our commitment to the charity's core purpose to provide benefit to a particular section of the public, namely families with young children in the local area (Faringdon).

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

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	The Place is not a grant-offering organisation.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	The Place does not hold any investments.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<p>The Place is supported by two sorts of volunteers; those involved with the project and those who help with fund raising. Volunteering for the project is a formal process involving DBS checks and training. These volunteers help in sessions under the direction of the charity's employees. Volunteering to support fund raising is informal. These volunteers participate in meetings to support fund raising, organise and support fund raising events. This year we have re-organised our fundraising</p>

		volunteers, attracting more parents to become involved. A core group of 7 have organised successful community events raising over £800
Other		The activities of The Place are overseen by Steering Committee. This was re-constituted this year.

## 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 Place continued to support families throughout the Covid19 pandemic.</p> <p>We provided the following online groups: <b>Baby group</b> The weekly attendance was approx. 6/7 families with over 35 families signed up to receive the links each week. <b>Storytime and singing group</b>. The two groups had an average attendance of approx. 6/7 families with over 31 families signed up to receive links each week. <b>New Parent New Baby group</b> Two groups were running back to back in Jan/Feb, (total of 12 families attending) <b>Baby massage group</b> Two groups were running back to back in Jan/Feb. (A total of 12 families attending; <b>First Aid</b> Fifteen parents attended - we provide financial support for families who can't afford the fee.</p> <p>Ongoing support for families was provided through texts and phone calls, with regular updates and ideas posted on our website and Facebook page.</p> <p>Craft packs provided at Christmas and Easter, either collected by families or delivered to their homes were a useful way of maintaining contact.</p> <p>Two of our volunteers, both former teachers, provided weekly activities and advice to support families via email with transition to school as this was a concern for some parents.</p> <p>When restrictions eased, the project re-opened in its new premises. The move has enabled us to offer more groups and an extra staff member was employed to facilitate this, funded by a three year grant from Faringdon United Charities. We developed a new structure for groups replacing the former drop in method. Families are now booked in for alternating six week blocks, with alternative activities such as Cycle Park visits offered in the breaks between their blocks. Initially this was to control numbers and keep families safe from covid, but it has turned out to be very effective. Staff get to know the families better</p>

		<p>and can provide more personalised support and the families develop friendships, forming their own support networks through Whatsapp groups for example. We therefore plan to continue to operate in this way.</p> <p>142 families attended groups since April-December 2021.</p> <p>We continue to offer a <b>Clothes Library</b> offering maternity and children's clothes and have re-started our monthly film showing.</p> <p>.</p>
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Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	<p>The Place has adapted the way it works with families in the light of the pandemic, providing a more personalised working relationship. Feedback through questionnaires and emails has shown that families continue to value the project.</p> <p>Feedback is collected quarterly – with over 41 responses received for Sept-Dec ember. Some examples of the feedback</p> <p><i>“Just wanted to say thanks so much for everything you guys have done for us this year. I honestly can say I've made friends for life .... I've just loved attending the baby groups and it's just got me through the weeks on my own”.</i></p> <p><i>“Thank you for everything you have done to include .... She is doing amazing, and she loves you. Thank you for understanding of my difficulties I feel a lot more confident and less anxious plus I have made a mum friend so thank you for your support... I have made you this bag as a thankyou for everything you have done and all the support The Place has given us. It really does support the whole family.”</i></p> <p><i>-Thank you for always having been there-</i></p>
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		<p><i>even online during lockdown! Its made a huge difference for us</i></p> <p><i>-Made me feel welcome and around for a chat whenever needed</i></p> <p><i>-A chance to feel 'normal' after a very uncertain year</i></p>
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### Financial Review – See treasurer’s report

Review of the charity’s financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	See attached accounts
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	A reserve policy is currently not in place – this will be set up at the next meeting
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	FTC holds an earmarked reserve of £19,524 to cover future salaries and outgoings
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	Although the fundraising capacity of the charity has been affected by the Covid 19 pandemic, grant funding from the town council, Faringdon United Charity, Churches together, local donors and prolific fundraising have enabled the charity to operate on a strong foundation.

### Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity’s trusts:		
Type of governing document ( <a href="#">trust deed</a> , <a href="#">royal charter</a> )	Para 1.25	CIO - FOUNDATION Registered 09 Nov 2017
How is the charity constituted?	Para 1.25	CIO

(e.g. unincorporated association, 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	Trustees are drawn from partnership organisations within the town. One trustee must be a local town councillor (usually The Mayor or their representative.) Others are drawn from local church organisations and community members with useful skills or expertise.

### **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	Trustees are directed to the training material for trustees on the Charity Commission website. All trustees receive the charity's safeguarding policy and other key policies. The Safeguarding Trustee has safeguarding training.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The charity delegates day to day administration to Spurgeons.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	The Charity works with Faringdon Town Council to contract Spurgeons to manage the day-to-day running of the project.
Other		<p>The charity seeks to work closely with other agencies and organisations in the best interests of the families it serves. These have included: the Community Development Officer from Sovereign Housing Association; the Locality Community Support Service; Health Visiting and Midwifery teams; Oral Health; debt advice through CAP; the Community Larder</p> <p>We have delegated a worker to support a local toddler group with activities, linked with the local cycle club to provide regular activities at the Cycle Park and started supporting story time in the local library to encourage families to feel at home there.</p> <p>.</p>



**Reference and Administrative details**

Charity name	The Place
Other name the charity uses	N/A
Registered charity number	1175671
Charity's principal address	The Pump House, 5 Market Place, Faringdon, SN7 7HL

	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	MAYOR OF FARINGDON (Mike Wise) (Kiera Bentley)		6/11/2017 to 5/21  5/21 appointed	Faringdon Town Council
2	Lord Faringdon		6/11/2017 to 7/11/21	
3	Joanna Cave	Chair of Steering Group; Safeguarding Trustee	6/11/2017 ongoing	
4	Lee Reddyhoff		6/11/2017 Resigned 2020	

**Trustees are elected for a four-year term expiring 2/11/2021**