



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Cylch Meithrin Nelson

On accounts for the year
ended

31st March 2025

Charity no
(if any)

1174213

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/03/2025.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 2011 Act and 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.

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a "true and fair" view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date: 29/01/2026

Name:

Aled Williams

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

N/A

Address:

18 Cae Canol, Hengoed, CF82 7RU

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Cylich Mairthion Yr Ewyls

1177583

Receipts and payments accounts

CC16a

For the period
from

01/04/2024

To

31/03/2025

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 £
A1 Receipts					
FEES	16,254	-	-	16,254	-
GRANTS	25,660	-	-	25,660	-
Musical Grant	3,599	-	-	3,599	-
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for A/R)	45,513	-	-	45,513	-
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	45,513	-	-	45,513	-
A3 Payments					
UTILITIES	1,162	-	-	1,162	-
FOOD	1,612	-	-	1,612	-
RENT	6,000	-	-	6,000	-
WAGES	30,411	-	-	30,411	-
MAINT	190	-	-	190	-
RESOURCES	3,536	-	-	3,536	-
Payroll	295	-	-	295	-
ICO	40	-	-	40	-
Insurance	150	-	-	150	-
Microsoft	36	-	-	36	-
Refund	240	-	-	240	-
Printing	798	-	-	798	-
		-	-	-	-
Sub total	44,660	-	-	44,660	-
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	44,660	-	-	44,660	-
Net of receipts/(payments)	953	-	-	953	-
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	14,002	-	-	14,002	-
Cash funds this year end	14,955	-	-	14,955	-

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	Business Current Account	14,955	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	14,955	-	-

(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))

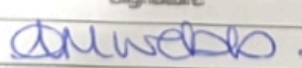
	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

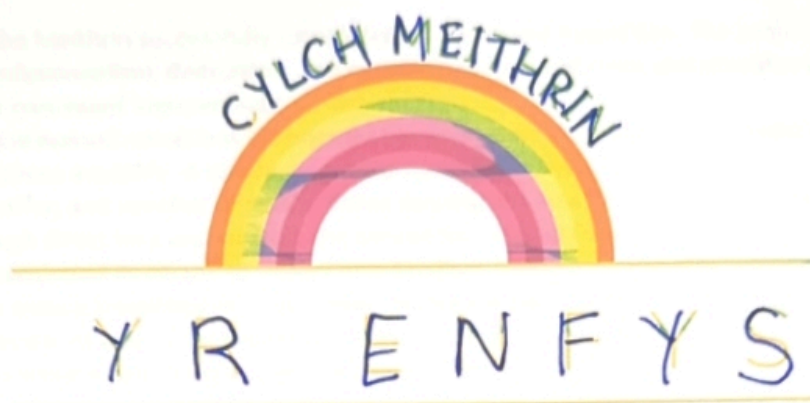
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on
behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Anna Marie Webb	26/01/2026



Trustees End of Financial Year Report

April 2024 to March 2025

Charity Number: 1177583

TRUSTEES

Anna Marie Webb

PREVIOUS TRUSTEES

Lois Roberts

Lynwen John

Ystrad Mynach Boys & Girls Club,
Ystrad Mynach,
Hengoed,
CF82 7AS

Objectives and Activities

To advance the education of pre-school children through the medium of the Welsh language.

Achievements and Performance

From April 2024 to March 2025, attendance at the Meithrin remained stable, ranging between 10 and 14 children. The setting continued to deliver high-quality early years education and care, further strengthening its reputation within the local community.

Grant funding from the local authority again provided essential support, enabling the renewal of resources and contributing to staffing costs. This financial support continues to play a key role in underpinning the long-term sustainability of the provision.

During the year, two long-standing trustees stepped down from their positions. Work is ongoing to recruit new trustees, with one committed volunteer already showing strong interest in joining the board. This emerging continuity will aid governance stability as recruitment continues.

In mid-2025, the Meithrin successfully completed its scheduled inspection. The positive outcome reflects the professionalism, dedication, and expertise of the staff team and provides a strong foundation for continued improvement.

Child numbers remained consistent throughout the year, with a maximum of 14 children registered out of the 19 places available. A significant proportion of families accessed Flying Start, the 30-hour free childcare offer, and voucher schemes. These funding streams help balance the reduced income achieved through direct fees and support the overall financial resilience of the setting.

The Meithrin continued its efforts to attract new families. Building on the rebranding completed previously, the setting benefited from increased visibility within the community. Staff and trustees also began a review of weekly fees to ensure they remain sustainable and reflective of current operating costs while maintaining accessibility for families.

Maintenance of the outdoor learning environment remained a priority, particularly following winter weather. Ensuring that this space is safe, stimulating, and aligned with the new Welsh curriculum requirements continues to be central to the Meithrin's ethos.

The neighbouring school, Ysgol Gymraeg Bro Allta, completed its major building project in the summer of 2025 and has now begun accepting Rising 3 children. While this development presents a potential challenge for future enrolment at the Meithrin, many parents have chosen to keep their children within the setting until they feel confident and ready for the transition to school. This positive parental feedback reinforces the value of the Meithrin's nurturing, child-centred approach. Operationally, payroll continued to be managed effectively in-house using Xero online accounting software, supporting accurate financial management and oversight.

The Meithrin remains committed to sustaining and strengthening its provision throughout 2024, 2025, and beyond, adapting proactively to local changes and maintaining a clear focus on the long-term viability of the setting.

Governance Update (2024–2025)

- Two trustees stepped down during the year, creating vacancies on the board.
- Recruitment is underway, supported by Mudiad Meithrin's governance team.
- One community member has expressed strong interest in stepping up as a trustee and has already been offering support to the setting.
- Staff responsibilities remain stable, supported by clear internal structure and oversight from the board.
- Payroll and financial management continue to be overseen by the Treasurer, who manages all payroll duties via Xero.
- The board has maintained regular meetings and oversight, including monitoring of child numbers, staffing ratios, inspection readiness, financial performance, and the implications of local changes such as Rising 3 provision at the adjoining school.

Risk Assessment and Mitigation Summary

1. Reduced Enrolment Due to Rising 3 Places at Ysgol Gymraeg Bro Allta

Risk:

The neighbouring school now admits Rising 3s, which may decrease the number of children enrolling at the Meithrin.

Mitigation:

- Strengthened community engagement and marketing to highlight the benefits of the Meithrin's developmental approach.
 - Positive parent feedback emphasising continuity and child readiness will be used in promotional materials.
 - Continued dialogue with the school to ensure local early years planning remains collaborative rather than competitive.
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2. Governance Capacity and Trustee Turnover

Risk:

Two trustees stepped down, creating temporary gaps in governance and oversight.

Mitigation:

- Active recruitment supported by Mudiad Meithrin.
 - Encouragement of a new potential trustee who is already involved with the setting.
 - Continued compliance with governance requirements through regular meetings and clear decision-making processes.
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3. Financial Pressures Linked to Fee Levels and Funding

Risk:

Reliance on funded places limits income from fees; cost pressures continue to rise.

Mitigation:

- Current review of weekly fee structure.
 - Exploration of additional grant opportunities.
 - In-house payroll and improved financial oversight reduce administration costs and support accurate budgeting.
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4. Child Number Fluctuations

Risk:

Variability in enrolment affects staffing, finances, and long-term planning.

Mitigation:

- Ongoing promotional work and use of the refreshed brand identity.
 - Monitoring local demand and adapting capacity where possible.
 - Maintaining a strong reputation for quality, which has influenced some parents to remain with the Meithrin despite Rising 3 availability at the school.
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5. Environmental and Maintenance Needs

Risk:

The outdoor area requires regular maintenance, particularly after winter, to remain compliant and safe.

Mitigation:

- Annual maintenance plans with regular inspections.
- Use of grant funding where possible to support resource renewal and outdoor equipment upkeep.