

# BARKERS LANE WRAP AROUND CARE CLUB



## TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT 2024

CANOLFAN BRENDA PRICE CENTRE  
BARKERS LANE  
WREXHAM  
N WALES  
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CHARITY No. 1178177

## **Background**

The Constitution of the Barkers Lane Wrap Around Care Club was registered with the Charity Commission in May 2018 as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. It was formed to act as the operational body pulling together the charity Barkers Lane After School Club, Barkers Lane Nursery Plus and Barkers Lane Breakfast Club under one management committee and one Board of Trustees. All charitable aspects of the Club are overseen by the Board of Trustees.

The Wrap Around Care Club provides high quality childcare and education between the hours of 7.45am to 5.30pm 5 days of the school week term time and certain holiday weeks for the parents and carers of children between 2 ½ and 11 years of age. All children attending must be registered in advance with the Club to comply with our safeguarding requirements.

## **Aims**

We aim to provide appropriate age related play, educational and care facilities, offering opportunities for all the children regardless of ability, religion, gender, culture or race.

Through access to our indoor and outdoor play and learning opportunities, we offer the children in the community the ability to engage in healthy, recreational and educational activities.

Activities offered to the children include but not limited to:

- Art & craft
- Baking
- Role play
- Gardening
- Quiet/book corner
- Sport activities
- Indoor games

## **Public Benefit**

Following the guidance within the statement of recommended practice (SORP) from the Charity Commission, we also report on the public benefit that the Club provides.

We believe that the services we offer provide parents the opportunity to continue with their employment and/or training courses that they are engaged with, as we provide a peace of mind for them, knowing that the children are in safe, caring hands. The children benefit from a less formal setting for these periods, taking advantage to relax from the busy school day and, through involvement with younger or older children outside of their usual peer group, enhance their individual social and moral skills.

The staff who provide this care are also beneficiaries of the setting as they advance and improve their knowledge and life experiences through daily interaction with the children, parents and grandparents at the facility.

## **Board of Trustees**

The Board of Trustees consists of school staff, school governors and parents. Trustees serve for a maximum 4 year term and may be re-elected to the Board. The current trustees are:

Mrs P FitzHugh  
Mrs C Edwards  
Mrs E Richardson  
Mrs A Jarvis  
Mrs S Weston  
Mr S J Hill

If you wish to join the Trustees or the management committee then please contact the Club manager Mrs Brand.

## **Documents**

The Club abides by a Constitution that has been agreed by the Charity Commission. Policies have been drawn up and agreed by the management committee for the daily operational aspects of the Club. These policies are available for inspection on request to the Club manager.

## **Safeguarding**

All staff have regular training on safeguarding and any concerns are reported to the management committee. No safeguarding concerns have been raised. The Club is registered with Care Inspectorate Wales who carry out unannounced inspections and have oversight for safeguarding.

## **Finance**

Income is received primarily through parental charges for the service provision and occasionally from grants, fund raising events or donations. All money received is regularly banked and reconciled. Accounts are audited annually and reported to the management committee. The audit certificate is also reported to the Charity Commission. The management committee approves the auditor annually in advance.

The Club aims to hold a maximum reserve of six months expenditure in an interest bearing account to cover wages and ongoing expenditures in the event of any reduction in service provision and/or income. All other profits are put into resources and building maintenance. No expenditure (wages, expenses or otherwise) is paid to the management committee or Board of Trustee members for their service on the management committee or the Board of Trustees.

Expenditure payments require authorisation and signatures from 2 of the 4 approved signatories.

	Receipts £	Payments £
		200,741.86
Current accounts	22,476.88	25,470.67
Petty cash	1.86	1.86
Savings accounts	6942.77	0.00
Receipts	196,792.88	
	226,214.39	226,214.39

## Academic Year 2023/2024

Mrs Brand is the Centre Manager and reporting to her are individual managers for each setting:

- Pre-school
- Nursery Plus
- After School Club (including Breakfast Club and Holiday Club)

This has been another challenging year for Club with increasing operating costs. We have continued the working practices we previously put in place to ensure the safety and security of the children, parents and staff involved and updated risk assessments as new guidance came through.

Parents were able to take advantage of the 30 hour funding scheme.

Staff have attended various professional training courses eg Food Hygiene, Safeguarding etc as required for their roles and all staff are trained in first aid.

## Next Steps

Our ongoing maintenance regime continues and following a successful grant application, towards the end of 2023 and the beginning of 2024, we replaced the ceiling fluorescent tube lights with LED units and had the leaking flat roof stripped off, timberwork made good and new roof, gutters and downpipes constructed and installed. Work is also ongoing for maintenance of the ramps and handrails. We are now looking to secure funding to revamp the outdoor area so that the children can use it in inclement weather.

**The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.**

**Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees**

Signature(s)



**Full name:** Mrs Pauline FitzHugh

**Position:** Chair

**Date:** 25/01/2025

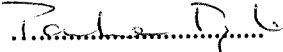
## SUMMARY OF TRANSACTIONS

## BARKER'S LANE AFTER SCHOOL CLUB / NURSERY PLUS

Year Ended 31st March 2024

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
£		£	
Balances B/F		Payments	193202.41
		Adj to o/b Club Acc	7539.45
Club Account	12012.28	Club Account	0
Savings Account	6942.77	Savings Account	0
Nursery Plus	10464.6	Nursery Plus	25470.67
Petty Cash	1.86	Petty Cash	1.86
Receipts	196792.88	Balances C/F	
£	226214.39	£	226214.39

## CERTIFIED:



Chair



Honorary Treasurer

I have examined the books, vouchers, and documents relating to the Barker's Lane After School Club Account and, in my view the account above gives a true and fair view of its transactions for the year ended 31st March 2024 and of the balances in hand as of that date.

In taking over the independent examination of the Club Account, we noted an opening balance that could not be supported by the documentation shown. Therefore, we have shown an adjustment to the opening balance as calculated.

Signed 

Date 13/9/2024

Name of Independent Auditor

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