



## Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 01004.2024 Period start date To 31.032025 Period end date

Charity name: Little Acorns Pre-school Kingsmere

Charity registration number: 1179500

### Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The charity works for the public benefit having as its objectives the development and education of children and young people, in particular by promoting their education and parental involvement, promoting their health and well being, and providing services to support them and their parents/ carers.
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	The pre-school provides flexible (am, pm or full day) educational sessions for children aged 2 to 5 years old, during term time only. We believe in helping young people develop into confident individuals by providing a wide range of practical and fun activities to inspire them to investigate, explore, learn and have fun. Children are given the opportunity to join Rugby tot sessions and Sing and Sign. We also had ZooLab bring in lots of animals for the children to explore.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	All trustees are directed to the Charity Commission website to gather more information about joining as a trustee.

#### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
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Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	N/A
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	Para 1.38	N/A
Policy on social investment including program related investment		
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	<p>All volunteers make time contributions to the pre-school joining in with fundraising activities, attending meetings ( online and in person) and supporting staff running activities for the children.</p> <p>Volunteers currently consist of our chair of committee that comes in to spend time completing activities with the children. We also have an ex parent that comes in and volunteers on a regular basis.</p>
Other		

## 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>We continue to have a large waiting list for the next academic year.</p> <p>We have a large number of SEN children on roll and staff are continually taking extra training in order to support all of the children's needs. During this period we had two children with EHCP's and worked closely with their new settings to ensure an as smooth as possible transition.</p> <p>We continue to work closely with our families and have offered 'Moving on up' sessions to help support with the transition to school.</p>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	

Other		
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## Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	The majority of income came from government funding.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	We have a contingency fund to cover the costs of staff redundancies. Any additional reserves are used for any of the following: to cover fluctuations in demand/ income, supporting children in the setting with special needs, funding staff training, long term sickness.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	E30,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
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	<p>Due to new pre-schools opening in the area we have had concerns but continue to have a large waiting list.</p> <p>Rent has Increased and so has the minimum wage. This continues to be a concern for the setting.</p>

### Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The majority of our funds come from fees both from the parents and the funding we receive from the local authority for 3 and 4 year olds and the 2 year old funding. With the changes to the working family entitlement it has meant that our funding has increased, and sales are down as more of our families have been able to apply for funding.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	The level of funding for Early Years Settings is not increasing in line with the increase to the National Minimum wages. Funding for 2 year

		<p>olds with working families are also coming in and more settings starting to offer places to two year olds.</p> <p>Increase in rent and minimum wage</p>
Other		

## Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed* royal charter)	Para 1.25	Early Years Alliance Constitution
How is the charity constituted? unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	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	AGM held, parents invited and terms of office fo officier positions held.

### 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 directed to Early Years Alliance website-Signed up through Educare facility for training.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	Good relationship between committee and staff of the pre-school. Trustees are invited into the pre-school for meetings during the day to meet with the staff.

Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of  
adviser      Name    Address


Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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adviser

### Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Little Acorns Pre-school Kingsmere
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1179500
Charity's principal address	Little Acorns Pre-school Kingsmere Kingsmere Community Centre Whitelands Way Bicester OX26 leg

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity






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Corporate trustees — names of the directors at the date the report was approved

### Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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### Other optional information


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### Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

any other notes

	
TRACY BAKER	
SECRETARY	

Signature(s)

Full name(s)

Position (eg Secretary,  
Chair, etc)

Date

19<sup>th</sup> November 2025

## Profit and Loss

Little Acorns Preschool Kingsmere

For the year ended 31 March 2025

Account	2025	2024
<b>Turnover</b>		
Council Funding	177,484.75	162,358.08
Other Revenue	380.00	45.00
Sales	19,888.50	24,859.66
<b>Total Turnover</b>	<b>197,753.25</b>	<b>187,262.74</b>
<b>Cost of Sales</b>		
Cost of Goods Sold	14,970.81	11,077.96
<b>Total Cost of Sales</b>	<b>14,970.81</b>	<b>11,077.96</b>
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>182,782.44</b>	<b>176,184.78</b>
<b>Administrative Costs</b>		
Audit & Accountancy fees	534.00	510.00
Bank Fees	94.50	84.00
Employers National Insurance	1,845.69	1,717.36
IT Software and Consumables	407.39	807.85
Pensions Costs	2,014.41	1,778.83
Printing & Stationery	237.88	302.79
Rent	24,161.05	24,641.55
Salaries	121,480.08	110,136.01
Staff Training	147.00	0.00
Subscriptions	3,311.21	1,850.52
<b>Total Administrative Costs</b>	<b>154,233.21</b>	<b>141,828.91</b>
<b>Operating Profit</b>	<b>28,549.23</b>	<b>34,355.87</b>
<b>Profit on Ordinary Activities Before Taxation</b>	<b>28,549.23</b>	<b>34,355.87</b>
<b>Profit after Taxation</b>	<b>28,549.23</b>	<b>34,355.87</b>

## Balance Sheet

Little Acorns Preschool Kingsmere  
As at 31 March 2025

Account	31 Mar 2025	31 Mar 2024
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Cash at bank and in hand		
LITTLE ACORNS PRESCHOOL KINGSM	99,766.94	72,365.29
Total Cash at bank and in hand	99,766.94	72,365.29
Total Current Assets	99,766.94	72,365.29
<b>Creditors: amounts falling due within one year</b>		
PAYE Payable	0.00	1,147.58
Total Creditors: amounts falling due within one ye	0.00	1,147.58
<b>Net Current Assets (Liabilities)</b>	<b>99,766.94</b>	<b>71,217.71</b>
<b>Total Assets less Current Liabilities</b>	<b>99,766.94</b>	<b>71,217.71</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>99,766.94</b>	<b>71,217.71</b>
<b>Capital and Reserves</b>		
Current Year Earnings	28,549.23	34,355.87
Retained Earnings	71,217.71	36,861.84



# 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  
Little Acorns Preschool Kingsmere

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

31 March 2025

**Charity no  
(if any)**

1179500

**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 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 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed 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 (other than that disclosed below \*) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn 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:**

28/10/2025

**Name:**

Anna Chapman FCA

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

Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales

**Address:**

Chapman Worth Ltd

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.**