

# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	09	2023		31	08	2024

## Section A

## Reference and administration details

Charity name

The Croft Playgroup

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

1179719

Charity's principal address

Aston Family Centre

Larch Avenue, Higher Shotton

Flintshire

Postcode

CH5 1NF

### 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	Catherine Morris		04/04/25 – to date	Steven Smailes
2	Carla Gambino		04/04/25 – to date	Steven Smailes
3	Steven Smailes		01/09/23 – 04/04/2025	
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### Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

## 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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## Section B Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document <small>(eg trust deed constitution)</small>	Constitution
How the charity is constituted <small>(eg trust association company)</small>	CIO
Trustee selection methods <small>(eg appointed by elected by)</small>	New trustees can be nominated and appointed by current trustees or are able to put themselves forward.

### Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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## Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

To provide high quality daycare in the local community.

To provide a safe and simulating environment for pre-school children to learn and develop through play activities.

IN our work we (the trustees) have regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

**Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year**

We have provided a full daycare service for parents who are both working or in the process of looking for employment.

We continue to provide this service which allows parents to be funded through the childcare offer scheme as well as those children funded through flying start.

We are also able to provide our services for children that could have additional learning needs.

## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

At 31 August 2024 cash at bank and in hand was £15,554.  
Funds are held to fund the objectives and activities of the Charity.  
All funds are unrestricted.  
The Charity aims to hold in reserve three months of expenditure. This has been achieved at 31 August 2024.

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

No fund materially in deficit

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You may choose to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

## Section F

## Other optional information

## Section G

## Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

*C Morris*

Full name(s)

Catherine Morris

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Date

18/06/2025



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The Croft Playgroup

No (if any)  
1179719

## Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period  
from

01/09/2023

To

31/08/2024

### 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>					
County council receipts	45,899	-	-	45,899	52,125
Government funding	5,403	-	-	5,403	1,900
Fees	4,424	-	-	4,424	7,834
Donations	22	-	-	22	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total (Gross income for AR)</b>	<b>55,748</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>55,748</b>	<b>61,859</b>
<b>A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total receipts</b>	<b>55,748</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>55,748</b>	<b>61,859</b>
<b>A3 Payments</b>					
Staff salaries & pensions	56,825	-	-	56,825	55,567
Rent	3,760	-	-	3,760	4,720
Payroll bureau	2,181	-	-	2,181	2,206
Food & refreshments	729	-	-	729	733
Learning toys & equipment	621	-	-	621	14
Telephone, post & stationary	159	-	-	159	110
Insurance	773	-	-	773	735
Hygiene costs	101	-	-	101	100
Repairs & renewals	348	-	-	348	174
Staff uniforms	-	-	-	-	217
Arts & crafts for children	111	-	-	111	114
Parties & fundraising for children	187	-	-	187	226
Professional fees	228	-	-	228	508
Registration & DBS fees	35	-	-	35	250
Training courses	20	-	-	20	179
Office equipment	214	-	-	214	60
Misc	105	-	-	105	82
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>66,398</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>66,398</b>	<b>65,995</b>
<b>A4 Asset and investment purchases. (see table)</b>					
	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Sub total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total payments</b>	<b>66,398</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>66,398</b>	<b>65,995</b>
<b>Net of receipts/(payments)</b>	<b>- 10,650</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>- 10,650</b>	<b>- 4,136</b>
<b>A5 Transfers between funds</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>A6 Cash funds last year end</b>	<b>26,204</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>26,204</b>	<b>30,340</b>
<b>Cash funds this year end</b>	<b>15,554</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>15,554</b>	<b>26,204</b>

## B2 Other monetary assets

Assets	funds		funds	
	to nearest £		to nearest £	
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0

## B3 Investment assets

Assets	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
		0	0
		0	0
		0	0
		0	0
		0	0

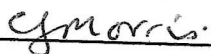
## B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use

Assets	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
Tables, filing cabinets, computer desks	unrestricted	0	0
Childrens buggies, scooters, bicycles, tricycles, climbing frame	unrestricted	0	0
Childrens learning toys	unrestricted	0	0
Childrens learning books	unrestricted	0	0
Office laptop, printer, mobile phone	unrestricted	0	0
		0	0
		0	0
		0	0
		0	0

## B5 Liabilities

Liabilities	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
PAYE	unrestricted	0	
		0	
		0	
		0	
		0	

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

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
	Catherine Morris	18/6/25



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## Independent examiner's report on the accounts

### Section A

### Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/  
members of**

Charity Name  
The Croft Playgroup

**On accounts for the year  
ended**

31 August 2024

**Charity no  
(if any)** 1179719

**Set out on pages**

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 08 2024.

**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:**

*Alex Wyatt*

**Date:** 20/06/2025

**Name:**

Alex Wyatt

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

ACCA

**Address:**

Adlink House, 86 The Highway, Hawarden, CH5 3DJ

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.**