

Charity No 1184153

# Cylch Meithrin Y Drenewydd

## REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

### TRUSTEES REPORT AND ACCOUNTS YEAR ENDING 31 March 2025

Trustees	Lisa Lewis Lowri Davies Debbie Gilbert Sian Davies Darryn Green Emma Jones Hywel Lovegreen Marina Corbett Jessie Corbett – Resigned 1 April 2024
Charity Number	1184153
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TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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**Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities**

The Trustees are required to prepare financial statements for each financial period which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs for the Charity and the net incoming or outgoing resources of the Charity for the period. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- make reasonable and prudent judgements and estimates;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departure disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The trustees are also responsible for:

- keeping proper accounting records
- safeguarding the Charity's assets
- taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud.

**Structure, governance and management**

The Charity registered as a CIO on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2019

The trustees who served during the year were:

Lisa Lewis  
Lowri Davies  
Debbie Gilbert  
Sian Davies  
Darryn Green  
Emma Jones  
Hywel Lovegreen  
Marina Corbett  
Jessie Corbett – Resigned 1 April 2024

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## TRUSTEES REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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### Objectives and Activities:

The aim of **Cylch Meithrin Y Drenewydd** is to provide high-quality early childhood education and care within a safe, nurturing, and **inclusive** environment. We are committed to supporting each child's development through a wide range of play-based learning opportunities, ensuring that every child receives the best possible start to their educational journey. Over the past year, our activities have focused on enhancing the learning environment, strengthening family engagement, and raising funds to improve the nursery's resources. We continue to provide a stimulating, supportive, and inclusive experience for all children in our care.

The setting was invited to Tender for Framework Agreement for Early Years Pre School Education Provision in Powys in the Autumn of 2024 and we were awarded the tender which commenced on the 1<sup>st</sup> of September 2025 and will continue for a period of 5 years and may be extended for a further 2 years.

### Summary of the main achievements during the Year:

Throughout the year, the Cylch organised a range of fundraising events and initiatives to support the development of our facilities and to ensure a high standard of learning resources. Notable fundraising efforts included:

- **£627** 'Let's Walk Together' Sponsored Walk which funds our yearly summer trip
- **£20.00** snack donations

### Key Projects and Grants:

The **Gregynog Trip** was a successful outing that provided valuable learning opportunities for the children. We invited Latch Dance to present a dance session and gave the children den building opportunities and treasure hunt games.

### Other Contributions and Initiatives:

We received significant external support from various initiatives, including:

- **£4,651.58 (2/08/24) Capital Small Grants Scheme** – this funding is issued by the Childcare Team and was used to purchase lunch trolleys, resources for outdoor areas i.e. shed, picnic bench. The grant also enabled us to carpet the education room, providing a warmer, cosier feel to the room.
- **A further £6,960 was issued by the Capital Small Grants scheme** and provided us with the fence along the perimeter of the setting, ensuring safety and an enclosed setting for the children. (Currently awaiting confirmation to when this was paid)
- **£5,750 grant from Early Years Development Grant** – this funding was issued with the intention to be used to overcome the additional barriers disadvantaged learner's face which prevent them from reaching their full potential. The majority of the grant was used to facilitate access to a learner who required medical assistance to access the setting. Also additional hours were granted to 5 other children not eligible for the childcare offer.
- **£195.73 EYDG**
- **£420.00** Hedge brushing
- **£78 Training Grant** from Mudiad Meithrin

### Achievements in Early Years Education:

In 2024–2025, we continued to focus on educational enrichment by providing a broad and balanced curriculum that supports the development of language, motor skills, and social interactions.

Key highlights from the year include:

- **Hollie** successfully completed her **CCLD Level 5 qualification** and has taken on the role of **Flying Start Leader**.
- **Ffion** and **Hetty** began their **Level 3 qualification** with *Mudiad Meithrin* and are expected to complete it by **January 2026**.
- **Awel** and **Elan** commenced their **maternity leave** in **March 2025**.
- **Naomi**, from *Creative Learning in the Early Years*, spent time with the childcare children as part of an initiative delivered by the **Arts Council of Wales**, **Early Years Wales**, and **Mudiad Meithrin**.
- Our **3+ children** visited **Clara Lloyd**, a Play Therapist, at the **Oriel Gelf** on **26 April 2024**, supported by a **Welsh Government Grant**.
- **Animal Encounters** visited the setting on **17 June 2024**, providing hands-on learning experiences.
- As part of our **Keep Wales Tidy** partnership, the children took part in **planting activities with Jodie** on **7 October 2024**.
- **The Postons** visited to help the children plant **vegetables and fruit**, encouraging healthy eating and sustainability.
- **Bethshan** continues to visit regularly to engage the children in creative and educational activities.

**Estyn** 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> March

**SASS (Self-Assessment of Service Statement 2025) March 2025**

The Cylch ended the year on a festive note, with several key events:

- A successful **Christmas Party on 18/12/2024**, which brought together families and staff to celebrate the end of the year.
- Contributions from **Hope Church** ensured some families were supported with Christmas Hampers, helping to spread holiday cheer among our community.

#### **Financial Review:**

Total income generated from fundraising efforts and grants reached a significant total, supporting both daily operations and developmental projects for the setting.

#### **Expenditure:**

The bulk of our expenditure was allocated to improving the setting's technological resources, enhancing classroom learning, and running special events and trips for the children. Additionally, investment was made in staff development and Christmas-related activities.

#### **Plans for Future Periods:**

Looking forward, Cylch Meithrin Y Drenwydd will focus on expanding our educational resources and facilities. We are actively seeking further grants to improve the outdoor play areas, and we aim to continue fostering partnerships with local community groups and educational organisations to enhance the preschool experience for children.

**Date: 03/11/2025**

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## INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT ON THE ACCOUNTS

### TO THE TRUSTEES OF CYLCH MEITHRIN Y DRENEWYDD

I report on the accounts of Cylch Meithrin Y Drenewydd for the year ended 31 March 2025, which are set out on page 5

#### Respective Responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this period under section 144 (2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the 2011 Act;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act ; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention

#### Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioner. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

#### Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to our attention:

- 1) Which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act have not been met; or
- 2) To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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11 Nov 2025

**CYLCH MEITHRIN Y DRENEWYDD**

**Charity Number 1184153**

**INCOME & EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

**INCOME**

	<b><u>2025</u></b>	<b><u>2024</u></b>
Flying Start	46,465	37,328
3 year old funding	81,263	38,092
Childcare funding	61,353	52,615
Fees	35,752	28,007
Grants	5,209	24,396
Donations	20	82
Fundraising	456	1,260
Uniforms	444	364
Other	3,668	5,037
Bank interest	669	540
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Interest MM Accounts	<b><u>235,299</u></b>	<b><u>188,392</u></b>

**Expenditure**

Salaries	181,742	143,703
ER's Pensions	2,592	2,254
Premises costs (Rent)	4,992	5,808
Nursery goods / trips	8,112	10,420
Children's refreshments	2,109	1,720
Staff training	450	730
Stationery	561	890
Payroll Admin	1,094	444
<b>Other</b>	4,995	-
Gifts	88	798
DBS checks	353	191
Staff uniforms	1,404	818
Other		4,166
Bank Charges	68	64
Insurance	35	160
IE Fee		200
Subscriptions	150	
Fundraising Costs	100	380
	<b><u>208,846</u></b>	<b><u>172,748</u></b>
Surplus/Deficit on year	26,453	15,644
Balance B/fwd	128,412	112,768
Balance C/fwd	<b><u>154,865</u></b>	<b><u>128,412</u></b>

**Represented by cash in hand and at bank 31st March 2025**

Cash in hand	-	
<b>Bank Accounts</b>		
Money Manager 51498460	14,792	14,514
Money Manager 01386948	27,763	17,371
Current Account 51386921	112,311	96,526
	<b><u>154,865</u></b>	<b><u>128,412</u></b>

**Liabilities**

PAVO Independent Examination of Accounts	200
HMRC March 2025 (Underpayment)	23
NEST March 2025	648