



Member of the Early Years Alliance

Annual Report and Financial Statements

2024 - 2025

Registered Charity Number :1192549

Lighthall Under Fives Pre-School

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Trustee's Annual Report

Year End 31st July 2025

Achievements and Performance:

- Our team have continued to complete training to keep their knowledge current.
- We continue to work closely with the local Family Information Service to support families who meet the government's criteria for 2 year old funding.
- We are working towards launching a website and our facebook page is very successful in promoting our services and other services of interest to parents/carers.
- Due to the cost of living crisis and the increase in wages the Layca community centre have agreed to keep our rent at the same price.
- The uptake on the 30 hours has had an effect on the number of children attending as less children doing more hours
- Due to the funding we have added a voluntary consumable charge all parents have agreed to pay.
- The Layca Centre have agreed to keep the rent for this coming year at the same.
- We have introduced Drama Tots to visit us once a week which the children are all enjoying.
- We have also brought in a private speech company to identify speech delays and provide us with valuable intervention for a few children

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Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 July 2025

	2025		2024	
	£	£	£	£
Income				
Fees	34,878.11		37,739.90	
Funding SMBC	129,778.98		103,508.77	
Fundraising	58.72		55.75	
		164,715.81		141,304.42
Less Expenditure				
Wages	108,903.49		95,604.49	
Rent	8,240.00		8,240.00	
ICT equipment and software			80.00	
Telephone and broadband	1,308.69		1,140.56	
Toys and equipment	2,988.73		3,338.93	
Consumable materials/cleaning	2,141.69		2,222.94	
Stationery and postage	440.17		383.31	
Refreshments	1,571.86		1,286.83	
Presents/gifts/party	1,385.43		948.63	
Membership/insurance	1,343.16		1,145.98	
Trips and parties	2,298.47		759.93	
Staff uniforms and children's tops	716.95		1,657.83	
Accountancy	1,393.40		720.00	
Training	0.00		869.40	
Leasing smartboard	0.00		139.03	
Printer	0.00		240.00	
Filing cabinet	0.00		213.54	
Repairs and renewals	4,649.00		1,000.00	
Duckling hatching kit	342.00		342.00	
Speech Therapy	600.00			
Donations	21.00		0.00	
Loan interest	606.33		606.33	
		138,950.37		120,939.73
Surplus for the year		25,765.44		20,364.69
Bank b/fwd		258.04		258.04
CIO bank account		41,109.90		22,842.26
Cash b/fwd		4.29		157.39
Covid loan		(15,746.77)		(17,996.92)
Add surplus for the year		25,765.44		20,364.69
Balance as at 31 July 2025		51,390.90		25,625.46
Represented by:				
Cash		95.90		4.29
Bank		258.04		258.04
CIO bank account		64,533.58		41,109.90
Covid loan		(13,496.62)		(15,746.77)
		51,390.90		25,625.46

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Independent Examiner's Report

Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 July 2025

Report to the Trustees / Members of Lighthall Under Fives

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 year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act,
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act, and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. 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 the 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 my attention other than that disclosed below

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities 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.

Signed:



5 May 2026

Athos Business Solutions
Chartered Certified Accountants