

Early Explorers Community Preschools

Trustees' Annual Report for the year ended 31 August 2025

The Trustees present their Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025.

Reference and administrative details

The legal charity name: - Early Explorers Community Pre-Schools

The trustees are all individuals: -

Carrie Richardson

Kate Lumb

Daniel Maurice Teesdale

Megan Milner

Jessica Faye Durkin

The charity is registered in England & Wales with charity number 1200076

The principal operating address, telephone number and email and web addresses of the charity are:-

Early Explorers Community Pre-Schools

The Church Hall

Market Place

Howden

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manager@earlyexplorers.org.uk

The Trustees in office on the date the report was approved were: -

Carrie Richardson

Kate Lumb

Daniel Maurice Teesdale

Megan Milner

Jessica Faye Durkin

The Trustees in office during the year were: -

The trustees who served as a trustee in the reporting period and, if applicable, their dates of appointment or resignation during the year: -

Name	Appointed	Resigned/Retired
Carrie Richardson	16 August 2022	
Kate Lumb	16 August 2022	
Daniel Maurice Teesdale	16 August 2022	

Megan Milner
Jessica Faye Durkin

16 August 2022
16 August 2022

All the trustees are also members of the charity.

Objects and activities of the charity

The purposes of the charity are as set out in its governing document.

The objects of the charity are:

To advance the education of children below compulsory school age. To provide a safe, nurturing, and stimulating environment for young children to support their overall development, encourage independence, and prepare children for their transition to primary education.

The organisation continually seeks to explore all appropriate funding opportunities and income streams which help achieve the charity's stated objectives.

The main activities undertaken in relation to those purposes during the year.

The charity offers affordable sessions from Monday to Friday, 50 weeks of the year. These sessions feature a range of activities such as arts and crafts, role-playing and story time. Activities are tailored to reflect the children's interests and are planned in accordance with the Early Years Foundation Stage framework established by the government.

The main activities undertaken during the year to further the charity's purpose for the public benefit.

The charity continues to apply for grants and to fundraise throughout the year.

The charity seeks to support all staff, including newly appointed members, by strengthening their knowledge and skills via internal and external training programs.

The charity continues to develop the Pre-School's record keeping systems in line with EYFS which will overall improve efficiency with the finances.

The main achievements and performance of the charity during the year.

The Church Hall site has been renovated within this financial year expanding the space available for the youngest members of the pre-school. An accessible entrance has also been made available.

At the Newport site an outside play area for the children has been built.

The funds used on the renovation were either raised via fundraising activities (e.g. a parent skydive & Rotary walk) or have been obtained from local council grants.

Plans for the Future

The charity plans to:

To find a long term solution to protect the future of the Pre-Schools and their financial stability when the local primary school opens their nursery.

Structure, Governance and Management

Governing Document Early Explorers Community Pre-Schools is a registered charity governed by its Constitution adopted on 25 February 1976 and amended on 15 February 2012. Early Explorers Community Pre-Schools registered as a charity on 16 August 2022.

Recruitment and appointment of Trustees

The trustees form the Management Committee of the charity. The members of the Management Committee are elected at the Annual General Meeting by the members of the Charity, and usually serve for a one-year term retiring at the following AGM. Retiring Trustees are eligible for re-election unless they have already served on the Committee in any capacity for ten consecutive years. All members are circulated with invitations to nominate trustees in advance of the AGM. There is a provision for the co-option of 3 additional trustees if required.

Statement of Trustees' Responsibilities

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Companies Act 2006/ Charities Act 2011 and the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008.

In particular charity law requires the Board of Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity as at the end of the financial year and of the surplus or deficit of the charity. In preparing those financial statements the Trustees are required to :-

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

The law requires that the trustees must not approve the accounts unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the surplus or deficit of the charity for the year.

The Trustees are also responsible for the contents of the Trustees' report, and the statutory responsibility of the Independent Examiner in relation to the Trustees' report is limited to examining the report and ensuring that, on the face of the report, there are no material inconsistencies with the figures disclosed in the financial statements.

The Trustees are also responsible for maintaining adequate accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and which are sufficient to show and explain the charity's transactions and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with regulations made under the Charities Act.

They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

This report was approved by the board of trustees on 18th November 2025

Carrie Richardson

Trustee

C. Richardson

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Kate Lumb

Trustee

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Daniel Maurice Teesdale

Trustee

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Megan Milner

Trustee

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Jessica Faye Durkin

Trustee

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Jessica Durkin (Jan 21, 2026 15:38:43 GMT)

Independent examiner's report on the accounts

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts for the period ended 31 August 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Charity, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under s145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under s145(5)(b) of the Act.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention 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.

Signed:

18th November 2025

Date:

Details of The Independent Examiner

Thomas Walsh

Abacus Accountancy

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Registered charity number : 1200076

Early Explorers Community Preschool

Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Accounts

31 August 2025

Early Explorers Community Preschool
Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 August 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
Incoming Resources		
ERYC Funded Childcare	465,665	281,191
Education & Skills Council Funding	2,400	5,131
Other Childcare Fees	205,094	139,913
Donations and Fundraising	1,519	3,989
	<u>674,678</u>	<u>430,224</u>
Other income		
Bank Interest Received	60	37
Total incoming resources	<u>674,738</u>	<u>430,261</u>
Resources Expended		
Cost of raw materials and consumables		
Purchases	17,091	10,122
Resources	13,933	12,997
	<u>31,024</u>	<u>23,119</u>
Staff costs		
Wages and salaries	512,441	326,772
Pensions	7,213	2,670
Employer's NI	26,174	6,175
Staff training and welfare	4,493	3,130
	<u>550,321</u>	<u>338,747</u>
Premises costs:		
Rent	46,163	21,978
General rates	1,864	549
Water rates	933	1,163
Light and heat	14,883	11,521
Cleaning	3,158	3,451
	<u>67,001</u>	<u>38,662</u>
Office costs:		
Telephone and fax	3,421	2,330
Postage	12	-
Stationery and printing	90	12
Subscriptions	1,712	920
Bank charges	60	45
Insurance	3,539	2,830
Repairs and maintenance	11,170	6,001
Software	4,075	2,174
Other legal and professional	10,320	8,062
	<u>34,399</u>	<u>22,374</u>

Early Explorers Community Preschool
Statement of Financial Activities
for the year ended 31 August 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
Legal and professional costs:		
Accountancy fees	3,947	3,108
	<u>3,947</u>	<u>3,108</u>
Depreciation and other amounts written off assets		
Depreciation	5,429	1,574
	<u>5,429</u>	<u>1,574</u>
Total resources expended	692,121	427,584
	<u>692,121</u>	<u>427,584</u>
Net movement in funds	(17,383)	2,677
	<u>(17,383)</u>	<u>2,677</u>

Early Explorers Community Preschool
Balance Sheet
as at 31 August 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
Fixed assets		
Office equipment	574	-
Plant and machinery etc	4,591	4,843
Furniture & Fixtures	13,747	7,027
Leasehold improvements	5,250	-
	<u>24,162</u>	<u>11,870</u>
Current assets		
Trade debtors	24,571	7,104
Other debtors	-	2,400
Cash at bank	3,562	31,106
	<u>28,133</u>	<u>40,610</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year		
Trade creditors	4,359	2,750
Employee, Other taxes and social security costs	12,459	1,540
Other creditors	6,694	2,963
	<u>23,512</u>	<u>7,253</u>
Funds of the Charitable Incorporated Organisation		
Unrestricted reserves	<u>28,783</u>	<u>45,227</u>
Unrestricted Reserves		
Brought forward	45,227	-
Transfer to restricted reserves	-	-
Net movement in funds	(17,383)	2,677
Transferred from Howden Preschool	939	42,550
	<u>28,783</u>	<u>45,227</u>
Restricted Reserves		
Brought forward	-	-
Transfer from unrestricted reserves	-	-
Net movement in funds	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Signed By

CARRIE RICHARDSON

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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Report to the trustees

Charity Name
Early Explorers Community Pre-Schools

On accounts for the year ended

31/08/2025

Charity no
(if any)

1200076

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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 / 08 / 2025.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent examiner's statement

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of *Association of Accounting Technicians (AAT)*.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

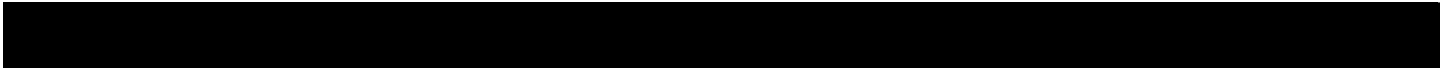
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Name:

Thomas Walsh

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material 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.