

RATTLESDEN PRESCHOOL

England & Wales · Charity number 1200209

Details

Other names	RATTLESDEN PLAYGROUP
Status	Registered
Legal form	CIO
Registered	2022-08-30
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	Rattlesden Village Hall Lower Road Rattlesden Bury St Edmunds Ip30 0rj IP30 0RJ
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Activities

Objects: TO ENHANCE THE DEVELOPMENT AND EDUCATION OF CHILDREN PRIMARILY UNDER STATUTORY SCHOOL AGE BY ENCOURAGING PARENTS TO UNDERSTAND AND PROVIDE FOR THE NEEDS OF THEIR CHILDREN THROUGH COMMUNITY GROUPS, AND BY:1 OFFERING APPROPRIATE PLAY FACILITIES AND TRAINING COURSES, TOGETHER WITH THE RIGHT OF PARENTS TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR AND TO BECOME INVOLVED IN THE ACTIVITIES OF SUCH GROUPS, ENSURING THAT SUCH GROUPS OFFER OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL CHILDREN WHATEVER THEIR RACE, CULTURE RELIGION, MEANS OR ABILITY.2 ENCOURAGING THE STUDY OF THE NEEDS OF SUCH CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES AND PROMOTING PUBLIC INTEREST IN AND RECOGNITION OF SUCH NEEDS IN THE LOCAL AREAS3 INSTIGATING AND ADHERING TO AND FURTHERING THE AIM OF THE PRE-SCHOOL LEARNING ALLIANCE

Activities: To enhance the development and education of children primarily under statutory school age by encouraging parents to understand and provide for the needs of their children through community groups.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Education/training
- **Who:** Children/young People

Geography

- Suffolk

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£139,009	£125,070	-	-
2024-08-31	£121,859	£102,184	-	-
2023-08-31	£75,514	£86,134	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Arabella Steggles		2026-05-12
Rose Walton		2022-01-25
Susan Theeman		2021-04-12

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date			Period end date		
01	09	2024	31	08	2025
From			To		

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

Postcode

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 Sophie Seward	Chair		
2 Rose Walton	Secretary		
3 Susan Theeman	Treasurer		

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution 30.08.2022
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Section C

Objectives and activities

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

To enhance the development and education children primarily under statutory school age by encouraging parents to understand and provide for the needs children through community groups

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)

Offering appropriate play facilities and training courses, together with the right of parents to take responsibility for and to become involved in the activities of such groups, ensuring that such groups offer opportunities for all children whatever their race, culture, religion, means or ability.

Encouraging the study of the needs of such children and their families and promoting public interest in and recognition of such needs in the local areas

Instigating and adhering to and furthering the aim of the Pre-school Learning Alliance

The Trustees have regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

This September we have 25 children on roll.

We raised funds through a stall at the annual village Fireworks event, the school Christmas fair, the bike show, a Christmas Wreath making event and a quiz.

We received grants for our continuing work in the Preschool garden, and upgrading the children's toilet facilities.

With the help of a Suffolk County Council grant, we began to admit children aged under two in September. This has proved very successful, and we now have eight young children enrolled.

We took a Lease on the Village Hall building which we intend to modernise as funds become available.

Section E**Financial review****Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves**

The Trustees review the Charity's financial performance six times per year, and ensure that sufficient funds are held in reserve to meet reasonably anticipated expenditure over the following three month period.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

Section G**Declaration**

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s) S. Seward Sue Theeman

Full name(s) Sophie Seward Susan Theeman

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Treasurer

Date

02.06.2026



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Rattlesden Preschool

No (if any)
1200209

CC16a

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period
from

Period start date

01.09.2024

To

Period end date

31.08.2025

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Suffolk County Council Early Years Funding	91,096	-	-	91,096	87,119
Parents' Fees	16,133	-	-	16,133	21,798
Fundraising	4,901	-	-	4,901	12,667
Restricted Funds received		18,559	-	18,559	275
Large Grants and Donations	5,675	-	-	5,675	-
Donations	1,860	-	-	1,860	-
Miscellaneous and Bank Interest	785	-	-	785	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	120,450	18,559	-	139,009	121,859
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	- 0	- 0	- 0	-	- 0
Sub total	- 0	- 0	- 0	-	- 0
Total receipts	120,450	18,559	- 0	139,009	121,859
A3 Payments					
Staff Wages, Tax, NI, Pension, Training	87,225	-	-	87,225	81,668
Book-keeping	1,680	-	-	1,680	1,680
Rent	2,050	-	-	2,050	3,923
Running Costs	8,271	-	-	8,271	5,428
Educational Resources	3,478	-	-	3,478	1,433
Insurance	446	-	-	446	478
Professional Registration Fees	384	-	-	384	462
Fundraising Expenses	1,263	-	-	1,263	827
Village Hall and Garden	1,065	-	-	1,065	2,104
Restricted Funds spent		9,000	-	9,000	2,283
Miscellaneous and Bank Charges	750	-	-	750	791
Sub total	106,612	9,000	-	115,611	101,077
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Unrestricted Funds Fixed Assets purchased	1,753	- 0	- 0	1,753	1,107
Restricted Funds Fixed Assets purchased		7,706	- 0	7,706	-
Sub total	1,753	7,706	- 0	9,459	1,107
Total payments	108,364	16,706	- 0	125,070	102,184
Net of receipts/(payments)	12,086	1,853	-	13,939	19,675
A5 Transfers between funds	- 0	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	34,063	-	-	34,063	14,388
Cash funds this year end	46,149	1,853	-	48,002	34,063

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	HSBC Current Account	36,341	1,853	-
	HSBC Savings Account	9,657	-	-
	Cashcard	-	-	-

23/09/2025



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
RATTLEDEN PRESCHOOL

On accounts for the year
ended

31st August 2025

Charit
y no
(if
any)

1200209

Set out on pages

(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 31/08/2025

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").

Independent
examiner's statement

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.

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:

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- 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:

B Parker

Date:

19/05/2026

Name:

Barbara Parker

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

Address:

Teazel Cottage, Birds Green

Rattlesden, Bury St Edmunds

Suffolk, IP30 0RT

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.

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Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date			Period end date		
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From			To		

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name	Rattlesden Preschool
Other names charity is known by	N/A
Registered charity number (if any)	1200209
Charity's principal address	The Village Hall, Lower Road
	Rattlesden
	Bury St Edmunds
Postcode	IP30 0RJ

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)
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2 Rose Walton	Secretary		
3 Susan Theeman	Treasurer		
4 Aimee Girkin			
5 Charlotte Woodhouse			
6 Anneke Green			

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document Constitution 30.08.2022
(eg trust deed, constitution)

How the charity is constituted
(eg trust, association, company)

Charitable Incorporated Organisation

Trustee selection methods
(eg appointed by, elected by)

Elected at Annual General Meeting

Section C

Objectives and activities

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

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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)

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Encouraging the study of the needs of such children and their families and promoting public interest in and recognition of such needs in the local areas
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The Trustees have regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

This September we have 17 children on roll, 5 of which were new starters, and another 4 due to start in January.

We took part in Fireworks, which raised a good amount, and the school Christmas Fayre . Our Chair also organised the Wreath making sessions, which again, was very successful, together with another mammoth running fundraiser.

We have continued with the parent sessions which have been positively attended.

We received positive results from our parent questionnaire again this year.

The garden project is almost at an end - with just some furnishings and setting up to go!

Over this past year, we have tried to incorporate more cooking activities, which the children really enjoy. We have been able to purchase some lovely new resources to enhance the childrens' imagination, social skills and physical development, including a sensory den, magnetic construction, Lightbox resources and a reading den.

We have been in discussions regarding wrap-around care, however, right now, we have decided this is not an option we can offer, but will continue to look at this in the future.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Charity Name
Rattlesden Preschool

No (if any)
1200209

CC16a

Receipts and payments accounts

For the period
from

Period start date
01.09.2023

To

Period end date
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 £
A1 Receipts					
Suffolk County Council Funding	87,119	-	-	87,119	48,431
Parents' Fees	21,798	-	-	21,798	14,934
Donations and Fundraising	10,384	2,283	-	12,667	12,057
Bank Interest and Miscellaneous	275	-	-	275	92
	-0	-	-	-	-
	-0	-	-	-	-
	-0	-	-	-	-
	-0	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	119,576	2,283	-	121,859	75,514
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-0	-0	-0	-	-
	-0	-0	-0	-	-0
Sub total	-0	-0	-0	-	-0
Total receipts	119,576	2,283	-0	121,859	75,514
A3 Payments					
Staff Wages, Tax, NI, Pension, Training	81,668	-	-	81,668	66,217
Rent	3,923	-	-	3,923	5,003
Educational Resources	1,433	-	-	1,433	4,437
Running Costs	5,429	-	-	5,429	3,425
Book-keeping	1,680	-	-	1,680	1,680
Insurance	478	-	-	478	420
Professional Registration Fees	462	-	-	462	367
Fundraising Expenses	827	-	-	827	630
Garden and Hall costs	2,103	2,283	-	4,386	1,515
Miscellaneous and Bank Charges	791	-	-	791	522
Sub total	98,794	2,283	-	101,077	84,216
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Storage Boxes, Handwashing Sink, Tea Urn, Cart	1,107	-0	-0	1,107	1,918
	-0	-0	-0	-	-
Sub total	1,107	-0	-0	1,107	1,918
Total payments	99,901	2,283	-0	102,184	86,134
Net of receipts/(payments)	19,675	-	-	19,675	- 10,620
A5 Transfers between funds	-0	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	14,388	-	-	14,388	25,008
Cash funds this year end	34,063	-	-	34,063	14,388

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current Account	24,022	-	-
	Reserve Account	9,486		

	Cashcard account	439	-	-
	Petty Cash	116	-	-
	Total cash funds	34,063	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))			
		Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
	Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Fixtures and Fittings	Unrestricted	-	784
	Office Equipment	Unrestricted	-	356
	Kitchen Equipment	Unrestricted	-	158
	Play Equipment	Unrestricted	-	874
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name		Date of approval
	Sue Theeman	SOPHIE SEWARD SUSAN THEEMAN		26.05.25 26.05.25

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of Rattlesden Preschool

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Rattlesden Preschool (the Trust) for the year ended 31 August 2024.

Responsibilities and basis of report

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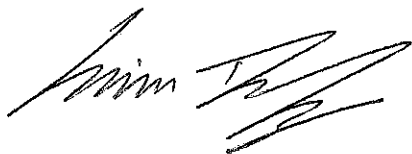
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Simon Debney ACA

Briar Bank, Old Stowmarket Road, Woolpit, Suffolk, IP30 9QS

21 May 2025

Accounts



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

	Period start date				Period end date		
	01	09	2022		31	08	2023
From				To			

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity name

Rattlesden Preschool

Other names charity is known by

N/A

Registered charity number (if any)

1200209

Charity's principal address

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4 Sophie Seward			
5 Rose Walton			

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Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

We have transformed the garden, with a large £3.5k donation, completely overhauling the garden with old sheds and fences gone, lovely new equipment, murals, leveled floors, patio's, raised beds and much more. This will be a huge asset to us and for the children.

We raised funds at the village bonfire night, the School Christmas Fayre and with Christmas Wreath Making classes.

We received an Ofsted inspection visit and were pleased to say we received a strong GOOD in all areas.

We have also been praised from a range of services, SALT, Family support, Ofsted etc, on how well we support children with Additional needs.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

The Trustees review the Charity's financial performance six times per year, and ensure that sufficient funds are held in reserve to meet reasonably anticipated expenditure

Details of any funds materially in deficit

N/A

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)

S. Seward

Sue Theeman

Full name(s)

SOPHIE SEWARD

SUSAN THEEMAN

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Chair

Treasurer

Date

26.01.24

 CHARITY COMMISSION FOR ENGLAND AND WALES	Charity Name Rattlesden Preschool		No (if any)		CC16a
	Receipts and payments accounts				
	For the period from	Period start date 01.09.2022	To	Period end date 31.08.2023	

Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Suffolk County Council Funding	48,431	-	-	48,431	41,492
Parent's fees	14,934	-	-	14,934	17,032
Donations and Fundraising	12,057	-	-	12,057	6,864
Bank Interest	92	-	-	92	3
	- 0	-	-	-	-
	- 0	-	-	-	-
	- 0	-	-	-	-
	- 0	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	75,514	-	-	75,514	65,391
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	- 0	- 0	- 0	-	-
	- 0	- 0	- 0	-	- 0
Sub total	- 0	- 0	- 0	-	- 0
Total receipts	75,514	- 0	- 0	75,514	65,391
A3 Payments					
Staff Wages, Tax, NI, Pension, Training	66,217	-	-	66,217	43,509
Rent	5,003	-	-	5,003	2,806
Educational Resources	4,437	-	-	4,437	4,134
Running Costs	3,425	-	-	3,425	2,665
Book-keeping, Audit	1,680	-	-	1,680	1,590
Insurance	420	-	-	420	464
Professional Registration fees	367	-	-	367	258
Fundraising Expenses	630	-	-	630	531
Garden renovation	1,515	-	-	1,515	-
Miscellaneous & Bank Charges	522	-	-	522	43
Sub total	84,216	-	-	84,216	56,000
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
Computer, desk, playhouse, tablets, fridge	1,918	- 0	- 0	1,918	1,085
Sub total	1,918	- 0	- 0	1,918	1,085
Total payments	86,134	- 0	- 0	86,134	57,085
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 10,620	-	-	- 10,620	8,306
A5 Transfers between funds	- 0	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	25,008	-	-	25,008	16,702
Cash funds this year end	14,388	-	-	14,388	25,008

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds
		to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current account	4,561	-	-
	Reserve account	9,304	-	-
	Cashcard account	300	-	-

	Petty cash	223	-	-
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	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
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	Details	to nearest £	to nearest £	to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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		-	-	-
		-	-	-
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			-	-
			-	-
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B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Fixtures & Fittings	Unrestricted	-	30
	Office Equipment	Unrestricted	-	536
	Play Equipment	Unrestricted	-	1,032
	Kitchen Equipment	Unrestricted	-	128
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			-	-
	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval	
	S. Seward	SOPHIE SEWARD	26.01.24	
	Sue Theeman	SUSAN THEEMAN	24.01.24	

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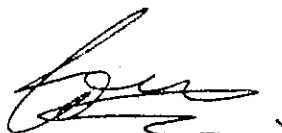
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Tom Gidney

ACCA

9 Purdys Close, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk, IP32 6GQ

14 May 2024