

# Play-a-way Preschool Newtownards LTD

Northern Ireland · Charity number 102414

## Details

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**Known as** Play-A-Way Childcare Centre Ltd

**Status** Received

**Company number** [36462](#)

**Registered** 2015-11-18

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Purposes:** The Company is established to: a. Provide the necessary facilities for the daily care, recreation and education of pre-school and primary school children. b. Encouraging the parent/guardians to understand and provide for the needs of their children by offering appropriate play facilities, with the right of parents/carers to take responsibility for and to become involved in the activities of the Group, ensuring that the Group offers opportunities for all children, regardless of religion, culture, race or means. c. To encourage the study of needs of such children and their families and promoting public interest in and recognition of such needs of such children and their families in the local community. d. Advance the education and training of the persons in the provision of such care, education and recreational facilities and provide placement opportunity for childcare students in partnership with local Colleges. e. To support the values of Early Years Organisation for Young Children and CAPS (Curriculum and Programme Support).

**What the charity does:** The advancement of education, The advancement of citizenship or community development

**How the charity works:** Disability, Education/training, Playgroup/after schools, Volunteer development

**Who the charity helps:** Adult training, Carers, Children (5-13 year olds), Ethnic minorities, Learning disabilities, Parents, Physical disabilities, Preschool (0-5 year olds), Sensory disabilities, Unemployed/low

income, Voluntary and community sector, Volunteers

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£99,663	£86,279	£0	5

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Miss Sarah Mckeag		
Mrs Cara Parker		
Mrs Clare Mcgrady		
Mrs Emma Mcgrady		
Mrs Rebekah Marks		
Mrs Sarah Templeton		

**Play-a-way Preschool Newtownards LTD**

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# Accounts

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Company registration number NI036462 (Northern Ireland)

**PLAY-A-WAY PRESCHOOL NEWTOWNARDS LTD**  
**UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

# PLAY-A-WAY PRESCHOOL NEWTOWNARDS LTD

## COMPANY INFORMATION

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<b>Directors</b>	E, McGrady C, Parker S, Templeton C, McGrady R, Marks S, McKeag	(Appointed 16 March 2025)
<b>Secretary</b>	L, Ross	
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# PLAY-A-WAY PRESCHOOL NEWTOWNARDS LTD

## DIRECTORS' REPORT

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

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The directors present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2025.

### Principal activities

The principal activity of the company continued to be that of the provision of Playgroup and Pre-school Education.

### Directors

The directors who held office during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were as follows:

Pastor K, McAlees	(Resigned 10 August 2024)
E, McGrady	
C, Parker	
S, Templeton	
C, McGrady	
R, Marks	
S, McKeag	(Appointed 16 March 2025)

# PLAY-A-WAY PRESCHOOL NEWTOWNARDS LTD

## DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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### Achievements and performance

The company continues to maintain a high standard of practice maintaining links with the community and schools. The relocation to Victoria Primary School has proven successful with our admission numbers well exceeding our available places. Feedback from parents reflects a high level of performance with most rating our services as excellent or very good. The latest inspection from Education and Training Inspectorate rated the centre as "Outstanding".

We continue to ask parents for ideas on how we can develop the company to meet their needs and using their feedback we implement those ideas to develop and enhance our performance.

This year we secured funding and fundraised to purchase our outdoor classroom. This will give us more warm, dry space that we can utilise to meet the children's needs. We are extremely grateful for the huge effort of our parents and staff in making this happen.

### Financial Review

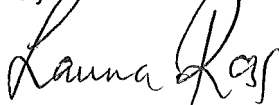
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Reserves are needed to bridge the gap between spending and receiving of income and also to cover unplanned emergency repairs and other expenditure. At present, the company has around 3 month's reserves.

Pathway funding was secured for 2025-2026 and for 2026-2027, subject to availability of funding in 2026-2027. We are continuing to review our business plan in line with possible government changes with a view to ensuring the future of the company.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies' exemption.

By order of the board



L. Ross  
Secretary

10 December 2025

# PLAY-A-WAY PRESCHOOL NEWTOWNARDS LTD

## REPORT TO THE DIRECTORS ON THE PREPARATION OF THE UNAUDITED STATUTORY ACCOUNTS OF PLAY-A-WAY PRESCHOOL NEWTOWNARDS LTD

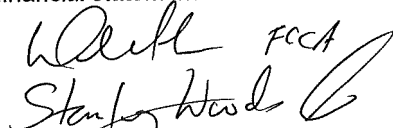
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In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Act 2006, we have prepared for your approval the financial statements of Play-a-way Preschool Newtownards Ltd for the year ended 31 March 2025, which comprise the income and expenditure account and the balance sheet, from the company's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given us.

As a practising member firm of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, we are subject to its ethical and other professional requirements which are detailed at [www.accaglobal.com/rulebook.html](http://www.accaglobal.com/rulebook.html).

It is your duty to ensure that Play-a-way Preschool Newtownards Ltd has kept adequate accounting records and to prepare statutory financial statements that comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. You consider that Play-a-way Preschool Newtownards Ltd is exempt from the statutory audit requirement for the year.

We have not been instructed to carry out an audit or a review of the financial statements of Play-a-way Preschool Newtownards Ltd. For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the statutory financial statements.



**Stanley Woods & Co**  
Certified Accountants  
Alexander House  
49 / 51 Church Street  
Newtownards  
Co Down  
BT23 4AN  
10 December 2025

# PLAY-A-WAY CHILDCARE CENTRE LTD

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024
	£	£	£	£
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>				
Grants receivable: -				
Pathway	2,000	27,375	29,375	27,477
Hughes Insurance		500	500	0
Outdoor Learning Resource Funding		2,000	2,000	0
DOH Small Claims Grant		1,407	1,407	0
Ford Britain Trust		0		260
Other grants	260	0	260	0
Peags fees	57,805		57,805	42,780
Membership fees	4,685		4,685	8,311
Fundraising and miscellaneous	2,046		2,046	3,761
Interest receivable	0		0	287
Uniforms	75		75	760
Milk allowance	380		380	197
Photos	1,130		1,130	846
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>68,381</b>	<b>31,282</b>	<b>99,663</b>	<b>84,678</b>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>				
Wages & National Insurance	42,057	24,525	66,582	61,305
Pension contributions	1,073		1,073	913
Staff training	0		0	106
Resources for break	658		658	496
Registration contracts	2,068		2,068	2,017
Transport/outings	78		78	0
Uniforms	56		56	716
Photos	904		904	0
Printing, postage, stationery and advertising	67		67	46
Miscellaneous	1,602	850	2,452	2,450
Grant funded expenses	3,314	3,907	7,222	1,154
Cleaning	9		9	135
Insurance	503		503	520
Heat and light	0		0	2,250
Rent	897	2,000	2,897	2,628
Repairs	14		14	1,448
Rates	0		0	296
Telephone	65		65	492
Equipment/books	299		299	155
Accountancy fees	756		756	570
Bank charges	169		169	215
Milk account	407		407	259
<b>Total resources expended</b>	<b>54,997</b>	<b>31,282</b>	<b>86,279</b>	<b>78,170</b>

<b>Net incoming resources for the year</b>	13,384	0	13,384	6,508
Balances b/f	<u>77,493</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>77,493</u>	<u>70,985</u>
Balances c/f	<u><u>90,877</u></u>	<u><u>0</u></u>	<u><u>90,877</u></u>	<u><u>77,493</u></u>

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.

All of the activities of the charity are classified as continuing.

# PLAY-A-WAY PRESCHOOL NEWTOWNARDS LTD

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

	2025		2024	
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets		13,734		13,734
Current assets	78,552		64,745	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	<u>(1,409)</u>		<u>(986)</u>	
Net current assets		<u>77,143</u>		<u>63,759</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>90,877</u>		<u>77,493</u>
Net assets		<u>90,877</u>		<u>77,493</u>
Reserves		<u>90,877</u>		<u>77,493</u>

### Notes to the financial statements

#### 1 Employees

The average number of persons, including directors, employed by the company during the year was as follows:

	2025 Number	2024 Number
Employees	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>

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The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 with respect to accounting records and the preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entity provisions and in accordance with FRS 105 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the Micro-entities Regime'.

The financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 10 December 2025 and are signed on its behalf by:



C, Parker  
Director

Company registration number NI036462 (Northern Ireland)

**Play-a-way Preschool Newtownards LTD**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 102414

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# Accounts

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Company registration number NI036462 (Northern Ireland)

**PLAY-A-WAY CHILDCARE CENTRE LTD**  
**UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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#### Directors

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#### Achievements and performance

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#### Financial Review

The company has been self-sustaining over many years and with good financial planning we hope to continue this practice.

Reserves are needed to bridge the gap between spending and receiving of income and also to cover unplanned emergency repairs and other expenditure. At present, the company has around 3 month's reserves.

Due to the change of premises to a smaller room, the number of children able to attend has reduced to 21 going forward from September 2024. Although this will reduce income, the reduction in costs associated with the new site means that this drop in numbers is financially viable. Pathway funding was secured for 2023-2024 and for 2024-2025. We are reviewing our business plan in line with possible government changes with a view to ensuring the future of the company.

## PLAY-A-WAY CHILDCARE CENTRE LTD

### BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)

**AS AT 31 MARCH 2024**

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The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entity provisions and in accordance with FRS 105 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the Micro-entities Regime' and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The directors of the company have elected not to include a copy of the income and expenditure account within the financial statements.

The financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 25 November 2024 and are signed on its behalf by:



C, Parker  
**Director**

Company registration number NI036462 (Northern Ireland)

## PLAY-A-WAY CHILDCARE CENTRE LTD

### REPORT TO THE DIRECTORS ON THE PREPARATION OF THE UNAUDITED STATUTORY ACCOUNTS OF PLAY-A-WAY CHILDCARE CENTRE LTD

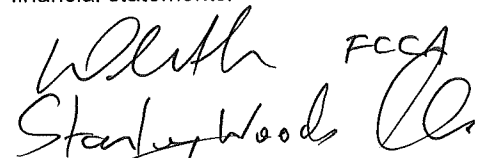
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Stanley Woods & Co

Certified Accountants

25 November 2024

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# PLAY-A-WAY CHILDCARE CENTRE LTD

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>				
Grants receivable: -				
Pathway		27,477	27,477	27,527
Early Years		0	0	3,030
Extended Services		0	0	845
Keep N. Ireland Beautiful		0	0	0
DE Engage Funding		0	0	4,568
HSBC Small Claims Grant		0	0	329
Ford Britain Trust		260	260	0
Other grants		0	0	0
Peags fees	42,780		42,780	29,873
Membership fees	8,311		8,311	14,216
Fundraising and miscellaneous	3,761		3,761	2,159
Interest receivable	287		287	110
Uniforms	760		760	940
Milk allowance	197		197	287
Photos	846		846	0
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>56,941</b>	<b>27,737</b>	<b>84,678</b>	<b>83,884</b>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>				
Wages & National Insurance	30,879	30,426	61,305	61,234
Pension contributions	913		913	815
Staff training	106		106	0
Resources for break	496		496	497
Registration contracts	2,017		2,017	2,374
Transport/outings	0		0	10
Uniforms	716		716	1,036
Printing, postage, stationery and advertising	46		46	235
Miscellaneous	2,450		2,450	967
Grant funded expenses	894	260	1,154	8,023
Cleaning	135		135	207
Insurance	520		520	508
Heat and light	1,725	525	2,250	3,462
Rent	1,964	664	2,628	3,504
Repairs	1,448		1,448	790
Rates	296		296	265
Telephone	492		492	572
Equipment/books	155		155	298
Accountancy fees	570		570	660
Bank charges	215		215	238
Milk account	259		259	319
<b>Total resources expended</b>	<b>46,296</b>	<b>31,875</b>	<b>78,170</b>	<b>86,012</b>

<b>Net incoming resources for the year</b>	10,644	-4,137	6,508	-2,129
Balances b/f	<u>66,850</u>	<u>4,137</u>	<u>70,987</u>	<u>73,116</u>
Balances c/f	<u><u>77,494</u></u>	<u><u>0</u></u>	<u><u>77,495</u></u>	<u><u>70,987</u></u>

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.

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# PLAY-A-WAY CHILDCARE CENTRE LTD

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets		13,734		13,734
Current assets	64,745		58,076	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(986)		(825)	
Net current assets		<u>63,759</u>		<u>57,251</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>77,493</u>		<u>70,985</u>
Net assets		<u><u>77,493</u></u>		<u><u>70,985</u></u>
Reserves		<u><u>77,493</u></u>		<u><u>70,985</u></u>

### Notes to the financial statements

#### 1 Employees

The average number of persons, including directors, employed by the company during the year was as follows:

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# Annual report

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## PLAY-A-WAY CHILDCARE CENTRE LTD

### BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)

**AS AT 31 MARCH 2024**

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The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entity provisions and in accordance with FRS 105 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the Micro-entities Regime' and delivered in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

The directors of the company have elected not to include a copy of the income and expenditure account within the financial statements.

The financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 25 November 2024 and are signed on its behalf by:



C, Parker  
**Director**

Company registration number NI036462 (Northern Ireland)

## PLAY-A-WAY CHILDCARE CENTRE LTD

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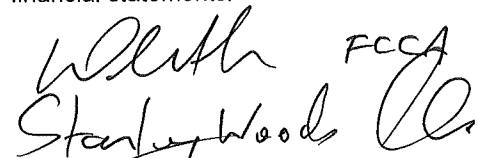
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Stanley Woods & Co

Certified Accountants

25 November 2024

Alexander House  
49 / 51 Church Street  
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## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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Photos	846		846	0
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>56,941</b>	<b>27,737</b>	<b>84,678</b>	<b>83,884</b>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>				
Wages & National Insurance	30,879	30,426	61,305	61,234
Pension contributions	913		913	815
Staff training	106		106	0
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Balances b/f	<u>66,850</u>	<u>4,137</u>	<u>70,987</u>	<u>73,116</u>
Balances c/f	<u><u>77,494</u></u>	<u><u>0</u></u>	<u><u>77,495</u></u>	<u><u>70,987</u></u>

The charity has no recognised gains or losses other than the results for the year as set out above.

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# PLAY-A-WAY CHILDCARE CENTRE LTD

## BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets		13,734		13,734
Current assets	64,745		58,076	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(986)		(825)	
Net current assets		<u>63,759</u>		<u>57,251</u>
Total assets less current liabilities		<u>77,493</u>		<u>70,985</u>
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The average number of persons, including directors, employed by the company during the year was as follows:

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C, Parker  
**Director**

Company registration number NI036462 (Northern Ireland)

**Play-a-way Preschool Newtownards LTD**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 102414

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# Annual return

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Company registration number NI036462 (Northern Ireland)

**PLAY-A-WAY CHILDCARE CENTRE LTD**  
**UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**

# PLAY-A-WAY CHILDCARE CENTRE LTD

## COMPANY INFORMATION

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<b>Directors</b>	E, McGrady C, Parker S, Templeton C, McGrady R, Marks	(Appointed 17 October 2023)
<b>Secretary</b>	L, Ross	
<b>Company number</b>	NI036462	
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# PLAY-A-WAY CHILDCARE CENTRE LTD

## DIRECTORS' REPORT

### FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

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The directors present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2024.

#### Principal activities

The principal activity of the company continued to be that of the provision of Playgroup and Pre-school Education.

#### Directors

The directors who held office during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were as follows:

Pastor K, McAlees	(Resigned 10 August 2024)
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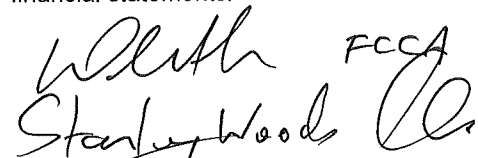
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C, Parker  
**Director**

Company registration number NI036462 (Northern Ireland)

**Play-a-way Preschool Newtownards LTD**

Northern Ireland - Charity number 102414

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# Accounts

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Company registration number NI036462 (Northern Ireland)

**PLAY-A-WAY CHILDCARE CENTRE LTD**  
**UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

# PLAY-A-WAY CHILDCARE CENTRE LTD

## COMPANY INFORMATION

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<b>Secretary</b>	L, McAlees	
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## DIRECTORS' REPORT

### *FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023*

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#### **Principal activities**

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#### **Directors**

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L,R Currie	(Resigned 25 October 2022)
K, Farrelly	
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# PLAY-A-WAY CHILDCARE CENTRE LTD

## DIRECTORS' REPORT (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

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Reserves are needed to bridge the gap between spending and receiving of income and to cover unplanned emergency repairs and other expenditure. At present, the company has around 3 month's reserves.

Due to the current government cutbacks we have suffered a significant cut in our Pathway Fund of around £21k. We are engaged in the fight to overrule these cuts, although to date it seems unlikely of success. The Manager is actively seeking alternative funding to bridge the funding gap and we are looking at additional sources of revenue such as charges for additional services which were free under the Pathway Fund.

We are currently reviewing our business plan due to the downturn in profits with the view to ensuring the future of the company.

This report has been prepared in accordance with the provisions applicable to companies entitled to the small companies' exemption.

On behalf of the board

Pastor K, McAlees  
Director



12 June 2023

# PLAY-A-WAY CHILDCARE CENTRE LTD

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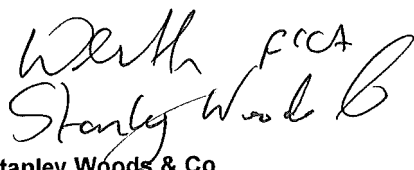
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Fundraising and miscellaneous	2,159		2,159	645
Interest receivable	110		110	10
Uniforms	940		940	630
Milk allowance	287		287	121
Coronavirus Job Rentention Scheme		0	0	436
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>47,585</b>	<b>36,299</b>	<b>83,884</b>	<b>78,724</b>
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Wages & National Insurance	38,413	22,821	61,234	61,252
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Northern Ireland - Charity number 102414

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# Annual report

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UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

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12 June 2023

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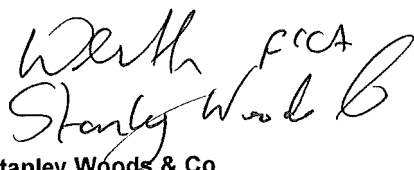
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**Stanley Woods & Co**

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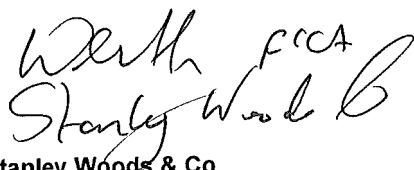
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