

Bees Nees Early Years Centre

Northern Ireland · Charity number 103567

Details

Status	Received
Company number	35467
Registered	2016-02-09
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

Contact

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Activities

Purposes: The object of the Company shall be to enhance the development and education of young children by encouraging parents/guardians to understand and provide for the needs of their children by:- (a) offering appropriate play facilities, with the right of parents/carers to take responsibility for and to become involved in the activities of the Company, ensuring that the Company offers opportunities for all children, regardless of religion, culture, race or means (b) Encouraging the study of the needs of such children and their families and promoting public interest in and recognition of the needs of such children and their families in the local area. (c) Providing the necessary facilities for the daily care, recreation and education of children during out of school hours and school holidays

What the charity does: The advancement of education

How the charity works: Community development, Cross-border/cross-community, Education/training, Playgroup/after schools, Volunteer development

Who the charity helps: Adult training, Children (5-13 year olds), Learning disabilities, Preschool (0-5 year olds), Voluntary and community sector

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-03-31	£238,536	£240,965	£0	12

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mrs Alison Calvert		
Mrs Emma Clegg		
Mrs Lynn Lyall		
Necole		

Accounts

Company registration number NI035467 (Northern Ireland)

**BEEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025**

BEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE

COMPANY INFORMATION

Directors	Ms N, Tate Ms E, Clegg Ms E, Gibson Ms L, Lyall Ms L, Spiers Ms L, Wilsdon Mr C, Kennedy Ms N, Millar Ms J, Stapleton	(Appointed 22 October 2024) (Appointed 22 October 2024) (Appointed 22 October 2024)
Company number	NI035467	
Registered office	8a Glenard Road Newtownards Co. Down BT23 4HS	
Accountants	Stanley Woods & Co. Alexander House 49 / 51 Church Street Newtownards Co Down BT23 4AN	
Business address	8a Glenard Road Newtownards Co. Down BT23 4HS	

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

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 provision of playgroup services.

Directors

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

Ms P, Lees	(Resigned 22 October 2024)
Ms N, Tate	
Ms E, Clegg	
Ms E, Gibson	
Ms L, Lyall	
Ms E, Mattison	(Resigned 22 October 2024)
Ms N, Mayne	(Resigned 22 October 2024)
Ms C, McCormick	(Resigned 22 October 2024)
Ms L, Spiers	
Mr M, Surginor	(Resigned 22 October 2024)
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Ms J, Stapleton	(Appointed 22 October 2024)

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

On behalf of the board



Ms E, Clegg
Director

25 June 2025

BEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE

REPORT TO THE DIRECTORS ON THE PREPARATION OF THE UNAUDITED STATUTORY ACCOUNTS OF BEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE

As described on the balance sheet you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2016, set out on pages 3 to 6 and you consider that the company is exempt from an audit. In accordance with your instructions, we have compiled these unaudited accounts in order to assist you to fulfil your statutory responsibilities from the accounting records, information and explanations supplied to us.

This report is made solely to the board of directors of Bees Nees Early Years Centre, as a body, in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 3 June 1999. Our work has been undertaken solely to prepare for your approval the financial statements of Bees Nees Early Years Centre and state those matters that we have agreed to state to the board of directors of Bees Nees Early Years Centre, as a body, in this report in accordance with the requirements of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants as detailed at https://www.accaglobal.com/content/dam/ACCA_Global/Technical/fact/technical-factsheet-163.pdf. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than Bees Nees Early Years Centre and its board of directors as a body, for our work or for this report.

It is your duty to ensure that Bees Nees Early Years Centre has kept adequate accounting records and to prepare statutory financial statements that comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. You consider that Bees Nees Early Years Centre 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 Bees Nees Early Years Centre. 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

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BT23 4AN

25 June 2025

BEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2025	Total Funds 2024
	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Activities in furtherance of charity's objectives:				
Grants receivable: - SEELB	81,106		81,106	55,010
SEHSCT	322		322	1,270
Early Years	4,923		4,923	1,155
BSO	0	13,920	13,920	7,604
Bright Start	7,940		7,940	0
National Lottery	13,699		13,699	0
Other grants	5,000		5,000	4,000
Activities for generating funds:				
Membership fees	104,816		104,816	90,174
Interest receivable	175		175	183
Other income	4,686	1,950	6,636	4,933
Coronavirus Job Rentention Scheme	0		0	0
Total incoming resources	222,666	15,870	238,536	164,330
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Charitable expenditure:				
Costs in furtherance of charitable activities	20,984		20,984	22,336
Management and administration:				
Wages & National Insurance	175,288	13,920	175,288	133,527
Secreterial expenses	7,340		7,340	6,136
Utilities and overheads	35,288	1,950	35,288	9,052
Accountancy fees	480		480	480
Bank charges	147		147	145
Depreciation	1,438		1,438	898
Total resources expended	240,965	15,870	240,965	172,574
Net incoming resources for the year	-2,428	0	-2,428	-8,245
Balances b/f	68,969	0	68,969	77,213
Balances c/f	66,541	0	66,541	68,969

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.

BEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE

BALANCE SHEET FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2025

	Notes	2025 £	2024 £
Fixed Assets		2,158	3,596
Current Assets			
Debtors	1,989		2,678
Cash at Bank and in hand	<u>66,037</u>		<u>65,967</u>
	68,025		68,645
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	<u>-3,643</u>		<u>-3,272</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>64,383</u>	<u>65,373</u>
Total Assets less Current Liabilities		<u>66,541</u>	<u>68,969</u>
Funds			
Unrestricted		66,541	68,969
Restricted		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
		<u>66,541</u>	<u>68,969</u>

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee on the and are signed on their behalf by:

	Ms Emma Clegg
Committee Position	Director - Chairperson
 	Mr W McAdam FCCA
Accountant/Auditor	Stanley Woods & Co.

Company registration number NI035467 (Northern Ireland)

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BALANCE SHEET

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	2025		2024	
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets		2,158		3,596
Current assets	68,026		68,644	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(3,643)		(3,271)	
Net current assets		64,383		65,373
Total assets less current liabilities		66,541		68,969
Net assets		66,541		68,969
Reserves		66,541		68,969

Notes to the financial statements

1 Employees

The average number of persons (including directors) employed by the company during the year was 12 (2024 - 11).

	2025 Number	2024 Number
Employees	12	9

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For the year ended 31 March 2025 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

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.

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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 have been 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.

BEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE

BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)

AS AT 31 MARCH 2025

The financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 25 June 2025 and are signed on its behalf by:



Ms E, Clegg
Director

Company registration number NI035467 (Northern Ireland)

Accounts

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Ms S, Mathison	(Resigned 5 October 2023)
Ms N, Tate	
Ms E, Clegg	
Mr D, Crooks	(Resigned 5 October 2023)
Ms E, Gibson	
Ms L, Lyall	
Ms A, Rainey	(Resigned 5 October 2023)
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Ms C, McCormick	(Appointed 5 October 2023)
Ms L, Spiers	(Appointed 5 October 2023)
Mr M, Surginor	(Appointed 5 October 2023)
Ms L, Wilsdon	(Appointed 5 October 2023)
Ms K,F Armstrong	(Appointed 5 October 2023 and resigned 16 October 2023)
Ms R, Shaw	(Appointed 5 October 2023 and resigned 14 March 2024)

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On behalf of the board



Ms P, Lees
Director

29 April 2024

BEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE

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With FCA
Stanley Woods

Stanley Woods & Co.

Certified Accountants

29 April 2024

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BEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2024	Total Funds 2023
	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Activities in furtherance of charity's objectives:				
Grants receivable: - SEELB	55,010		55,010	58,366
SEHSCT	1,270		1,270	242
Early Years	1,155		1,155	1,103
BSO	7,604		7,604	8,106
Other grants	4,000		4,000	4,400
Activities for generating funds:				
Membership fees	90,174		90,174	84,802
Interest receivable	183		183	200
Other income	4,933		4,933	4,204
Coronavirus Job Rentention Scheme	0		0	0
Total incoming resources	164,330		164,330	161,425
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Charitable expenditure:				
Costs in furtherance of charitable activities	22,336		22,336	14,011
Management and administration:				
Wages & National Insurance	133,527		133,527	129,349
Secreterial expenses	6,136		6,136	7,293
Utilities and overheads	9,052		9,052	14,245
Accountancy fees	480		480	480
Bank charges	145		145	135
Depreciation	898		898	689
Total resources expended	172,574		172,574	166,202
Net incoming resources for the year	-8,245		-8,245	-4,777
Balances b/f	77,213		77,213	81,991
Balances c/f	68,969		68,969	77,213

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

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BEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE

BALANCE SHEET

FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2024

	Notes	2024 £	2023 £
Fixed Assets		3,596	2,758
Current Assets			
Debtors		2,678	3,655
Cash at Bank and in hand		65,967	72,991
		<u>68,645</u>	<u>76,646</u>
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year		<u>-3,272</u>	<u>-2,190</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>65,373</u>	<u>74,455</u>
Total Assets less Current Liabilities		<u>68,969</u>	<u>77,213</u>
Funds			
Unrestricted		68,969	77,213
Restricted		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
		<u>68,969</u>	<u>77,213</u>

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee on the and are signed on their behalf by:



Ms Penny Lees

Committee Position

Director - Chairperson



Mr W McAdam FCCA

Accountant/Auditor

Stanley Woods & Co.

Bees Nees Early Years Centre

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103567

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BEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
ON
Thursday 22nd October 2024
at 6pm

BEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE ANNUAL GENERAL 2024
HELD ON THURSDAY
22nd
NOVEMBER AT 6PM

AGENDA

- | | |
|---|-------------------------------|
| 1. Chairperson's welcome and introduction | Penny Lees |
| 2. Apologies | Penny Lees |
| 3. Presentation of Manager's Report | Janice Mawhinney |
| 4. Playgroup and Out of School reports | Daphne Nicholl |
| | Leanne Ritchie |
| 5. Presentation of Financial Report | Leeann Crooks |
| 6. Appointment of Auditors | Stanley woods |
| 7. Election of Board of Directors | Janice Mawhinney |
| 8. Date of first meeting | 23 rd January 2025 |
| 9. Thanks, and close. | |

STAFF MEMBERS

Name	Position	Date Started	Date Left
Janice Mawhinney	Manager	January 2011	
Leeann Crooks	Finance Administrator	November 2019	
Daphne Nicholl	Early Years Co-Ordinator	September 2016	
Leanne Ritchie	Out of Schools Co-Ordinator & Deputy Manager	December 2003 September 2012	
Joanne Caughey	Deputy Early Years Co-Ordinator	January 2007	
Claire McDowell	Early Years Assistant	March 2003	
Fiona Lindsay	Early Years Assistant	April 2022	
Darren Crooks	Play care Assistant	October 2023	
Alexis Leeman	Volunteer	September 2007	
Chole Johnston	Play care Assistant	October 2024	
Stephanine Gowdy	Early Years Assistant	October 2024	
Ria Ferguson	Play care Assistant	October 2024	

New Associate board members

[proposed by Emma Clegg

Agreed by all present

Any new nominations -

Proposed by: Emma Clegg

Seconded Lynn Lyall

Re-election to the board - Board of Directors as before

9. Date of first meeting - 23th January 2025

10. Any Other Business - None

Signed: _____ **Chairperson**

Signed: _____ **Secretary**

**BEES NEES WOULD LIKE TO GIVE THANKS TO THOSE WHO
SUPPORTED US OR HAVE HELPED US DURING THE PAST YEAR**

All new policies and procedures have been updated and continue to be relevant to new legislation.

Safeguarding pro forma no requirement from ETI to complete this year but for good practice staff will go over file and update regarding new legislation.

Trust inspection end of June very positive

The setting is well resourced with careful and thoughtful planning evident to maximise the learning experience for the children attending.

Our aim is to bring about a positive learning environment for all children within Bees Nees from Breakfast club right through to Out of Schools.

Staff have worked on developing a creative indoor and outdoor environment and learning through play is our main objective.

These children are the Alfa children pre 2010 which means they have so much virtual media input. So, we as a staff team need to plan our programme to meet the needs of all our children.

We encourage our children's curiosity by providing them with rich learning places to explore and discover their sense of wonder.

If you and your child like our service, please do PR our centre like and share our face book page and website and leave a review.

Thank You Emma on keeping our website up and running and is managing this effectively with creating more interest with people who don't know about our service

When you become a board member this gives you the opportunity support from you as parents to help with our fundraising events throughout the year.

We would personally like to thank the board and staff for all input and time given to Bees Nees over this year.

Challenges this year is recruiting and keeping staff this needs to be addressed from government level regarding wages.

Our staff meetings have been interactive with all staff getting involved in sharing good practice and how best we can integrate this in our centre from training attended.

We nurture creative thinkers within in our vision and environments and all staff and stakeholders strive to implement.

Partnerships

In order for us to continue our work and develop we do fundraise each term and encourage our parents to get involved i.e., Christmas hamper, sponsored bunny bounce, dance a thon etc.

Our next fundraiser will be Christmas hampers and Christmas concert sing a long so please support us.

I would like to thank all staff as this has been a hard year with staff moving on to other jobs and recruitment has been challenging and staff have been accommodating with giving up their time to cover when needed and staff are loyal and dedicated in all that they do for providing the best quality learning environment for Bees Nees Early Years Centre.

The support from the board is of great benefit as without their hard work and dedication the centre could not survive.

Funding

AGM October 2024 Pre-School Co-ordinators Report

- We currently have 22 funded Pre-school children enrolled in the pre-school session along with our Pre-pre children this brings us up to 26 attending each day.
- We have covered getting to know you theme, autumn and Halloween are our themes for October we will also pick up on the interests of the children.
- We continually evaluate the children's play and areas such as the layout of the room Our planning system links directly to our observations. It also links in the voice of the child and needs of the children.
- We have continued to develop our continuous play provision as we embed this fully into practice. The play has been enhanced in these areas and the children are really benefiting from quality experiences.
- Continuous play provision remains our focus for development this year. We will continue to self-evaluate and work towards achieving our development goals as the year goes on.
- Another area for development is our Special Educational Needs provision and training. Over the years the level of children with additional needs in the pre-school sector has continued to rise, we as a centre aim to provide the best possible care and learning for all of children to reach their full potential, with this goal in mind we aim to enhance our knowledge through training that we can then implement in practice.
- Staff continue their professional development, our training with CAPS Peer support will focus on Continuous Play Provision as we work with others to gain full understanding of what this means in practice and how the children's learning experience is benefited. All the Pre-school staff have current child protection and first aid training.
- Through Getting Ready to Learn including The BIG Bedtime Read will build partnership with our children's families.
- We will also continue to build links with the local schools.
- Our overall aim is to provide a rich pre-school education for the children who attend Bees Nees.
- We have two new members of the staff team this year Emma Todd and Stephanie Gowdy they are working as SEND support and we welcome them to Bees Nees. I would also like to thank Janice, Leanne, Leeann, and the pre-school staff team Joanne, Claire, Fiona for their support over the past year.

Annual return

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

	2024		2023	
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets		3,596		2,758
Current assets	68,644		76,645	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(3,271)		(2,190)	
Net current assets		65,373		74,455
Total assets less current liabilities		68,969		77,213
Net assets		68,969		77,213
Reserves		68,969		77,213

Notes to the financial statements

1 Employees

The average number of persons (including directors) employed by the company during the year was 9 (2023 - 11).

	2024	2023
	Number	Number
Employees	9	9

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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.

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BEEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE

BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)

AS AT 31 MARCH 2024

The financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 29 April 2024 and are signed on its behalf by:



Ms P, Lees
Director

Company registration number NI035467 (Northern Ireland)

Accounts

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BALANCE SHEET

AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	2023		2022	
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets		2,758		3,447
Current assets	76,645		80,891	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(2,190)		(2,347)	
Net current assets		74,455		78,544
Total assets less current liabilities		77,213		81,991
Net assets		77,213		81,991
Reserves		77,213		81,991

Notes to the financial statements

1 Employees

The average number of persons (including directors) employed by the company during the year was 9 (2022 - 11).

	2023 Number	2022 Number
Employees	9	8

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(e) the company has relied on the specified exemption as a micro company contained in section 352 Companies Act 2014; the company has done so on the grounds that it is entitled to the benefit of that exemption as a small company and we confirm that the abridged financial statements have been properly prepared in accordance with section 353 Companies Act 2014.

BEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE

BALANCE SHEET (CONTINUED)

AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

The financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 8 June 2023 and are signed on its behalf by:



Ms P, Lees
Director

Company registration number NI035467 (Northern Ireland)

Bees Nees Early Years Centre

Northern Ireland - Charity number 103567

Annual report

BEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
ON
Thursday 5th October 2023
at 6.30pm

BEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE

Welcome to the Annual General Meeting of Bees Nees Early Years Centre where the Board of Directors have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report

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**BEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING FOR THE PERIOD 6TH APRIL 2019 TO 5TH APRIL
2020 HELD ON THURSDAY 7th NOVEMBER AT 6.15 PM**

AGENDA

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| 1. Chairperson's welcome and introduction | Penny Lees |
| 2. Apologies | Penny Lees |
| 3. Presentation of Manager's Report | Janice Mawhinney |
| 4. Playgroup and Out of School reports | Daphne Nicholl |
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| 6. Appointment of Auditors | Stanley woods |
| 7. Election of Board of Directors | Janice Mawhinney |
| 8. Date of first meeting | |
| 9. Thanks and close | |

Board of Directors 2022/ 2023

Chairperson – Penny Lees

Treasurer – Necole Tate

Secretary – Emma Clegg

Directors – Darren Crooks
Lynn Lyall
Amanda Rainey

STAFF MEMBERS

Name	Position	Date Started	Date Left
Janice Mawhinney	Manager	3 rd January 2011	
Daphne Nicholl	Early Years Co-Ordinator	19 th September 2016	
Joanne Caughey	Deputy Early Years Co-Ordinator	January 2007	
Claire McDowell	Early Years Assistant	24 March 2003	
Fiona Lindsay	Early Years Assistant	April 2022	
Leanne Ritchie	Out of Schools Co-Ordinator & Deputy Manager	3 December 2003 September 2012	
Phyllis Milby	Playcare Assistant & Cleaner	September 2015 June 2008	
Maiha Smyth	Playcare Assistant	July 2023	
Darren Crooks	Playcare Assistant	October 2023	
Alexis Leeman	Volunteer	September 2007	
Leeann Crooks	Finance Administrator	November 2019	

BEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE

Annual General Meeting

at 6.00pm

1. Welcome:

The meeting was chaired by Penny Lees who gave a warm welcome to all present.

2. Introductions

The members of the Board of Directors introduced themselves.

3. Those present:

All those in attendance signed the attendance sheet

Apologies:

Directors: All present

4. Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting Held November 2022

Chairperson asks for acceptance of the minutes and proposed that the minutes of last Annual General Meeting be accepted as a true record of the proceedings.

Chairperson signed the record.

5. Chairpersons report

Penny presented her report and thanked all stakeholders for their hard work and support.

5a. Presentation of the Annual Report for the year ended

Janice presented the Managers report and highlighted some of the main events and issues.

Daphne Nicholl Early Years Coordinator provided her report on the achievements made within pre-school.

Leanne Ritchie Out of School Coordinator provided her report on the achievements made within out of school last year

6. Presentation of the Audited Accounts

Presentation of the audit accounts for year ended 31st March 2023.

7. Appointment of the Auditors

It was proposed that Stanley Woods should act as auditors in the forthcoming year.

Proposed:

Seconded:

8. Election of new board:

Chair

Vice chair

Secretary

Treasure

New Associate board members

[proposed by

Agreed by all present

Any new nominations -

Proposed by: Penny Lees

Re-election to the board - Board of Directors as before

9. Date of first meeting - 18th January 2024

10. Any Other Business - None

Signed:



Chairperson

Signed:



Secretary

BEES NEES WOULD LIKE TO GIVE THANKS TO THOSE WHO
SUPPORTED US OR HAVE HELPED US DURING THE PAST YEAR



Bees Nees Mission Statement

To provide high quality care, play and educational support for children and their families that is challenging, enjoyable, flexible, and affordable.

We want to make a positive difference in the lives of our children through early intervention and the provision of a safe, secure, happy, healthy, and stimulating environment which nurtures those in our care to become Creative Thinkers.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Penny Lees

I would like to welcome you all to our AGM. On behalf of the Board, I would like to thank Janice Daphne and all the staff at Bees Nees for all their hard work in achieving another successful year providing high quality care and educational support for children both in the preschool and afterschool, The holiday scheme, and events such as the Christmas and Coronation Celebrations. Since joining the board in 2016, I have witnessed the changes to the centre year on year and I am always left in awe as I believed each year that no more improvements could be made but the team here surpass themselves. My first introduction to Bees Nees was pulling up outside looking at the now long-gone bars on the windows and big blue heavy door which left me wondering where my husband had brought me. But the minute I walked in through the door my perception totally changed, the staff were warm and welcoming, and I knew this was the right place for my daughter to begin her school journey. I would like to thank Emma for all her hard work on the new website that launched in January of this year. I would also like to thank all the parents for their continued support. But most of all I would like welcome all the new children to Bees Nees.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Janice Mawhinney

All new policies and procedures have been updated and continue to be relevant to new legislation.

Safeguarding pro forma from EA completed and changes to child protection policy updated.

Our aim is to bring about a positive learning environment for all children within Bees Nees from Breakfast club right through to Out of Schools.

Staff have worked on developing a creative indoor and outdoor environment and learning through play is our main objective.

These children are the Alfa children pre 2010 which means they have so much virtual media input. So we as a staff team need to plan our programme to meet the needs of all our children

We encourage our children's curiosity by providing them with rich learning places to explore and discover their sense of wonder.

Learning to learn funding new kitchen which is used by all children no matter what age. Financially with the great administrative skills of Leeann our centre is maintaining sustainability. At present Covid has help with keeping our centre operating but now with the living crisis we have had a downturn in families attending our out of school and we can't compete with schools who offer this service at a lower cost. If you and your child like our service, please do PR our centre like and share our face book page and website pg and leave a review.

Thank You Emma our board member who got our new website up and running and is managing this effectively with creating more interest with people who don't know about our service. End of year fundraising Emma contacted all local businesses to get ballot prizes for end of year fundraiser.

When you become a board member this gives you the opportunity support from you as parents to help with our fundraising events throughout the year.

We would personally like to thank the board and staff for all input and time given to Bees Nees over this year.

Achievements

Outdoor play space continues to develop this is an area that we used daily within all of our session to get children's love of outdoors and experience play.

Introducing parent workshops this year with Big Bedtime Read and Education works developing story sacks, lending library for our children

We had another successful summer scheme which was enjoyed by all who attended. We were able to have great extra activities of bouncy castles, candy floss popcorn and Mr Hullabaloo storyteller, Fitness Freddy, Jump Jiggle and Jive etc. to visit our group with no expense to our parents.

Preschool is regulated under EA and are working on development plan to highlight areas for improvement. This year we have put ourselves forward for empowering improvement with ETI and go through the new inspection process.

This year's targets are developing partnership with parents, outdoors and indoor environment ascetics of building. We now have Micheal our handy man who come sin regularly to help us maintain the building.

We hope to continually have forest school as part of our curriculum for our children as the benefits of being outdoors and learning without walls is endless.

Out staff have attended training on Emotional wellbeing, site visit with other groups to look at good practice and are going to take part in an accreditation with James Tunnel Nursery Nook under loose parts under CID

Our staff meetings have been interactive with all staff getting involved in sharing good practice and how best we can integrate this in our centre from training attended.

Partnerships

In order for us to continue our work and develop we do fundraise each term and encourage our parents to get involved i.e., Christmas hamper, sponsored bike ride, dance a thon etc. Thank You Dean spiers for getting involved and cleaning our carpet which was much appreciated.

Our next fundraiser will be Christmas hampers and Christmas concert sing a long so please support us.

I would like to thank all staff as this has been a hard year with staff sickness and staff have been accommodating on giving up their time to cover when needed and staff are loyal and dedicated in all that they do for providing the best quality learning environment for Bees Nees Early Years Centre. The support from the board is of great benefit as without their hard work and dedication the centre could not survive.

AGM November 2023 Pre-School Co-ordinators Report

- We currently have 24 funded Pre-school children enrolled in the playgroup session along with our Pre-pre children bringing us up to 26 attending each day.
- We have covered getting to know you theme, autumn and Halloween will be our themes for October we will also pick up on the interests of the children.
- We continually evaluate the children's play and areas such as the layout of the room Our planning system links directly to our observations. It also links in the voice of the child and needs of the children.
- We have continued to develop our outdoor play area such as the mud kitchen and construction area. The play has been enhanced in these areas and the children are really benefiting from quality experiences.
- We will continue to self-evaluate and work towards achieving our development goals as the year goes on.
- Staff continue their professional development, our training with CAPS Peer support on Monday was practical and informative around well-being and resilience, all the Pre-school staff have current child protection and first aid training.
- Getting Ready to Learn including The BIG Bedtime Read will build partnership with our children's families.
- We will continue to build links with the local schools.
- Our overall aim is to provide a rich pre-school education for the children who attend Bees Nees.

I would also like to thank Janice, Leanne, Leeann, and my staff team Joanne, Claire, Fiona, and Maiah for their support over the past year.

Daphne Nicholl
Bees Nees Early Years co-ordinator.

OUT OF SCHOOLS Co-ordinators Report

Leanne Ritchie

During the past year we have met our many challenges for the benefit of our children. The following are some of our highlights of the past year and of some things coming up

- Voice of the child- This was extended to incorporate all children attending sessions enabling staff to plan activities based on the voice of the child.
- We welcome Maiah to our staff team as a play-care assistant.
- Staff will be updating their child protection training over the month of November.
- Our past summer scheme proved was very popular.
- Halloween scheme bookings are now out. We have booked to attend W5 as this was greatly enjoyed by all children last year. Thanks to funding from Bright start this will be at no additional cost for parents. We are looking forward to a farm trip in February again with no additional cost to parents due to securing funding.
- Children have been involved in anti –bullying workshops and work together to develop the group contract of behaviour.
- We are collecting from four schools in the area and also one nursery school

Annual return

Company registration number NI035467 (Northern Ireland)

**BEEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023**

BEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE

COMPANY INFORMATION

Directors	Ms P, Lees	
	Ms S, Mathison	
	Ms N, Tate	
	Ms E, Clegg	(Appointed 10 November 2022)
	Mr D, Crooks	(Appointed 10 November 2022)
	Ms E, Gibson	(Appointed 10 November 2022)
	Ms L, Lyall	(Appointed 10 November 2022)
	Ms A, Rainey	(Appointed 10 November 2022)
Company number	NI035467	
Registered office	8a Glenard Road Newtownards Co. Down BT23 4HS	
Accountants	Stanley Woods & Co. Alexander House 49 / 51 Church Street Newtownards Co Down BT23 4AN	
Business address	8a Glenard Road Newtownards Co. Down BT23 4HS	

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BEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE

DIRECTORS' REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

The directors present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2023.

Principal activities

The principal activity of the company continued to be that of provision of playgroup services.

Directors

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

Ms P, Lees	
Mr D, Gray	(Resigned 10 November 2022)
Ms S, Mathison	
Ms N, Tate	
Ms E, Clegg	(Appointed 10 November 2022)
Mr D, Crooks	(Appointed 10 November 2022)
Ms E, Gibson	(Appointed 10 November 2022)
Ms L, Lyall	(Appointed 10 November 2022)
Ms A, Rainey	(Appointed 10 November 2022)

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

On behalf of the board



Ms P, Lees
Director

8 June 2023

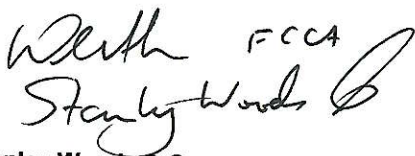
BEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE

REPORT TO THE DIRECTORS ON THE PREPARATION OF THE UNAUDITED STATUTORY ACCOUNTS OF BEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE

As described on the balance sheet you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts for the year ended 31 March 2016, set out on pages 3 to 6 and you consider that the company is exempt from an audit. In accordance with your instructions, we have compiled these unaudited accounts in order to assist you to fulfil your statutory responsibilities from the accounting records, information and explanations supplied to us.

It is your duty to ensure that Bees Nees Early Years Centre has kept adequate accounting records and to prepare statutory financial statements that comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006. You consider that Bees Nees Early Years Centre 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 Bees Nees Early Years Centre. 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

8 June 2023

Alexander House
49 / 51 Church Street
Newtownards
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BT23 4AN

BEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds 2023	Total Funds 2022
	£	£	£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES				
Activities in furtherance of charity's objectives:				
Grants receivable: - SEELB	58,366		58,366	42,126
SEHSCT	242		242	131
Early Years	1,103		1,103	17,864
BSO	8,106		8,106	0
Other grants	4,400		4,400	6,880
Activities for generating funds:				
Membership fees	84,802		84,802	81,496
Interest receivable	200		200	166
Other income	4,204		4,204	4,067
Coronavirus Job Rentention Scheme	0		0	10,225
Total incoming resources	<u>161,425</u>		<u>161,425</u>	<u>162,954</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Charitable expenditure:				
Costs in furtherance of charitable activities	14,011		14,011	13,516
Management and administration:				
Wages & National Insurance	129,349		129,349	107,086
Secreterial expenses	7,293		7,293	5,880
Utilities and overheads	14,245		14,245	11,719
Accountancy fees	480		480	480
Bank charges	135		135	112
Depreciation	689		689	861
Total resources expended	<u>166,202</u>		<u>166,202</u>	<u>139,654</u>
Net incoming resources for the year	-4,777		-4,777	23,301
Balances b/f	81,991		81,991	58,690
Balances c/f	<u>77,213</u>		<u>77,213</u>	<u>81,991</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.

BEES NEES EARLY YEARS CENTRE

BALANCE SHEET AS AT 31 MARCH 2023

	Notes	2023 £	2022 £
Fixed Assets		2,758	3,447
Current Assets			
Debtors	3,655		1,357
Cash at Bank and in hand	<u>72,991</u>		<u>79,534</u>
	76,645		80,891
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year	<u>-2,190</u>		<u>-2,347</u>
Net Current Assets		<u>74,455</u>	<u>78,544</u>
Total Assets less Current Liabilities		<u>77,213</u>	<u>81,991</u>
Funds			
Unrestricted		77,213	81,991
Restricted		<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
		<u>77,213</u>	<u>81,991</u>

These financial statements were approved by the members of the committee on the and are signed on their behalf by:

 Ms Penny Lees
Committee Position Director - Chairperson

 Mr W McAdam FCCA

Accountant/Auditor Stanley Woods & Co.