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**Charity Registration Ref No: NIC 10671**

**Trustees Report: Financial Year September 2022- August 2023**

### **Charitable Purpose**

Little People Pre-School is a voluntary organisation managed by local women elected annually to The Management Committee/ Trustees. We are a cross community group providing education to children 2 years 10 months/ 4 years. In recent years we have welcomed children from different ethnic backgrounds who have settled in our area.

### **Main activities during the year**

We provide a safe calm and caring environment so that children and staff can learn and work together.

### **Main achievements in the year**

We provide a high standard of care and education as reflected in Social Services Annual Inspection carried out on 17<sup>th</sup> November 2022. An ETI inspection was carried out in November 2022 both reports showed the capacity to identify and bring about improvement in the interests of our learners. We aim to continue to provide a much-needed service in our area.

### **Financial Situation**

We are funded as a PEAG Group by the Education Authority but we have experienced a drop- off in birth rate in our area. To help compensate this we are offering children a place from the age of 2years 10months as a part- time place.

This year we are also operating without Sure Start South Armagh due to the drop-in birth rate in our area.

Regarding our four members of staff one is currently employed as a one to one SEN support worker.

Throughout the year we are supported by an Early Years Specialist.

### Trustees/ Committee Members

At our AGM each year we elect a Management Committee Supported by committee members made up from the parents.

Sandra McNiece a Trustee and part of the management committee liaises with the staff regularly to ensure continued running of the pre-school supported by Marie Gorman also Trustee and Registered Person who signs off Policies etc. The full committee meets once a term unless matters arise requiring action.

This report has been prepared to the best of our knowledge and hopefully includes all necessary details.

Sandra m<sup>c</sup> Niece

Trustee / management Committee