

Bawn Bunnies Playgroup

Northern Ireland · Charity number 108525

Details

Status	Received
Registered	2022-02-17
Register	View on the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland register

Contact

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Activities

Purposes: The Group is established to promote play based learning environments for all children under statutory school age, (hereinafter referred to as the beneficiaries) of the Bawn Bunnies Playgroup and its surrounding environment in County Armagh (hereinafter called the 'area of benefit'), without distinction of age, gender, marital status, disability, sexual orientation, nationality, ethnic identity, political or religious opinion, by associating the statutory authorities, community and voluntary organisations and the inhabitants in a common effort to advance education, and in particular: a) to advance the education of the beneficiaries by the provision of safe and satisfying group play, with the right of parents/carers to take responsibility for and to become involved in the activities of the group; and to promote the preservation of health of the beneficiaries; and b) to support the values and principles of Early Years.

What the charity does: The advancement of education

How the charity works: Education/training,Playgroup/after schools

Who the charity helps: Carers,Parents,Preschool (0-5 year olds)

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£56,707	£51,519	£0	4
2024-08-31	£47,814	£46,456	£0	4

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Mrs Elizabeth Andrews		
Mrs Karen Hunter		
Mrs Leanne Neill		
Mrs Lisa Megaw		

Accounts

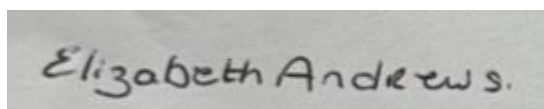
Bawn Bunnies Playgroup
Receipts and payments account
Year ended 31 August 2025

	2025	2024
	£	£
Receipts		
Playgroup fees	47,097	44,858
Early Years – Pathway Fund	5,000	-
Southern Health & Social Care Trust	1,110	1,074
John Moore Foundation	2,000	-
Uniform sales	1,014	926
Fundraising	-	424
Business Services Organisation	408	533
Commission	78	-
Total Receipts	56,707	47,814
Payments		
Staff costs	45,494	42,200
Toys and equipment	2,483	182
Consumables	1,465	1,750
Uniform	613	868
Subscriptions and training	682	675
Accountancy fees	200	200
Insurance	532	531
Bank fees	50	50
Total Payments	51,519	46,456
Surplus for the year	5,188	1,358

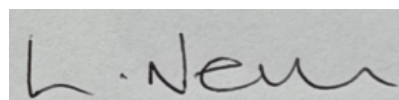
Bawn Bunnies Playgroup
Statement of assets and liabilities
Year ended 31 August 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
Current assets		
Cash at bank	<u>27,159</u>	<u>21,971</u>
Capital account		
Brought forward	21,971	20,613
Surplus for the year	5,188	1,358
	<u>27,159</u>	<u>21,971</u>

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 30 June 2026 and are signed on behalf of the board by:



Elizabeth Andrews
Chairperson



Leanne Neill FCA
Treasurer

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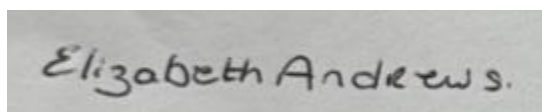
Bawn Bunnies Playgroup
Receipts and payments account
Year ended 31 August 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Receipts		
Playgroup fees	44,858	37,093
Southern Health & Social Care Trust	1,074	1,390
Health & Social Care Board/Dept. of Health	-	1,360
Uniform sales	926	742
Fundraising	424	423
Business Services Organisation	533	553
Open Farm Weekend	-	200
Total Receipts	47,814	41,761
Payments		
Staff costs	42,200	46,312
Toys and equipment	182	3,979
Consumables	1,750	2,108
Jones Jr Sports & Wee Wonders	-	1,360
Uniform	868	-
Subscriptions and training	675	678
Accountancy fees	200	200
Insurance	531	483
General expenses	-	146
Bank fees	50	51
Total Payments	46,456	55,317
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	1,358	(13,555)

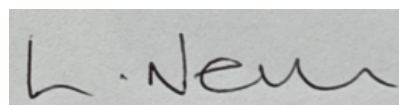
Bawn Bunnies Playgroup
Statement of assets and liabilities
Year ended 31 August 2024

	2024 £	2023 £
Current assets		
Cash at bank	<u>21,971</u>	<u>20,613</u>
Capital account		
Brought forward	20,613	34,169
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	1,358	(13,556)
	<u>21,971</u>	<u>20,613</u>

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 20 June 2025 and are signed on behalf of the board by:



Elizabeth Andrews
Chairperson



Leanne Neill FCA
Treasurer

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Statement of assets and liabilities
Year ended 31 August 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Current assets		
Cash at bank	<u>20,613</u>	<u>34,169</u>
Capital account		
Brought forward	34,169	22,865
(Deficit)/Surplus for the year	(13,556)	11,304
	<u>20,613</u>	<u>34,169</u>

These financial statements were approved by the board of trustees and authorised for issue on 7 June 2024 and are signed on behalf of the board by:

Elizabeth Andrews.

Elizabeth Andrews
Chairperson

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Leanne Neill FCA
Treasurer

Bawn Bunnies Playgroup
Receipts and payments account
Year ended 31 August 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
Receipts		
Playgroup fees	37,093	38,390
Corporate Donation	-	15,000
Southern Health & Social Care Trust	1,390	4,038
Health & Social Care Board	1,360	2,500
Early Years	-	2,229
Uniform sales	742	966
Fundraising	423	932
Business Services Organisation	553	484
Open Farm Weekend	200	-
Armagh City, Banbridge and Craigavon Borough Council	-	240
Interest received	-	6
Total Receipts	41,761	64,784
Payments		
Staff costs	46,312	41,285
Toys and equipment	3,979	8,156
Consumables	2,108	1,592
Sports coaching & music programme	1,360	-
Uniform	-	941
Subscriptions	678	726
Insurance	483	399
Accountancy fees	200	-
General expenses	146	311
Bank fees	51	70
Total Payments	55,317	53,480
(Deficit)/Surplus for the year	(13,556)	11,304

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Annual report

Bawn Bunnies Playgroup
Trustee's annual report
Year ended 31 August 2023

The trustees present their report and the unaudited financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2023.

Reference and administrative details

Registered charity name Bawn Bunnies Playgroup

Charity registration number NIC 108525

Principal office Hamiltonsbawn Primary School, 113 Annareagh Road,
Hamiltonsbawn, Co Armagh, BT61 9SA

The trustees Elizabeth Andrews
Karen Hunter
Lisa Megaw
Leanne Neill

Independent examiner JSR Chartered Accountants, 44 Blackisland Road, Annaghmore,
Portadown, Co Armagh, BT62 1NE

Structure, governance and management

The committee communicate widely the vision, ethos and strategic direction of the pre school centre and ensure strong links with the parents and local community. The committee ensure the groups financial and human resources are deployed effectively and in the interest of the children.

Objectives and activities

Bawn Bunnies Playgroup is a committee led playgroup which provides a pre-school provision for the children of Hamiltonsbawn and the surrounding area. The Playgroup is based within the premises of Hamiltonsbawn Primary School and operates 5 days per week. The Playgroup employs 4 staff members and can currently cater for 20 children each day from the age of 2 years and 10 months. The Playgroup accepts children regardless of religion, race, ethnicity, ability or means.

The Group was established to promote a play-based learning environment for all children under statutory school age by associating the statutory authorities, community and

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Trustee's annual report (*continued*)
Year ended 31 August 2023

Achievements and performance

We are pleased to report that the charity operated at full capacity throughout the financial year. The Trustees are pleased at the level of service achieved and are optimistic that this will continue.

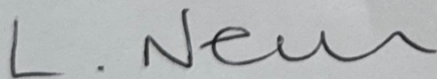
Public benefit

The public benefits that flow are that the pre-school children of Hamiltonsbawn and the surrounding area have a safe and stimulating learning environment to attend. Through attendance at the playgroup the children have the opportunity to develop and grow to reach their full potential which then results in improved development, language skills, social interaction and emotional well-being. By providing a play-based learning environment in which children can learn and develop in each of the 6 areas of the early years curriculum they have extensive opportunities to reach their full potential. The benefits identified above can be demonstrated through our annual inspection from the Southern Health and Social Care Trust, through demand for a space within the playgroup and also through feedback from parents/carers and other stakeholders.

Financial review

The playgroup relies on grant income for a substantial proportion of its income. In addition playgroup fees and general fundraising contribute to the day to day running costs. In the last financial year the organisation reported a deficit of £13,556 (2022 Surplus - £11,304). Reserves have decreased to £20,613 (2022 - £34,169).

The trustees' annual report was approved on 7 June 2024 and signed on behalf of the board of trustees by:



Leanne Neill FCA

Treasurer

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Annual return

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Bawn Bunnies Playgroup

Year ended 31 August 2023

Independent examiner's report to the charity trustees of 'Bawn Bunnies Playgroup' Trust

I report on the accounts of the Trust for the year ended 31st August 2023, which are set out on pages 4 to 5.

Respective responsibilities of charity trustees and examiner

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the Charities Act (Northern Ireland) 2008.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 65 of the Charities Act
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Commission under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's report

I have examined your charity accounts as required under section 65 of the Charities Act and my examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland under section 65(9)(b) of the Charities Act.

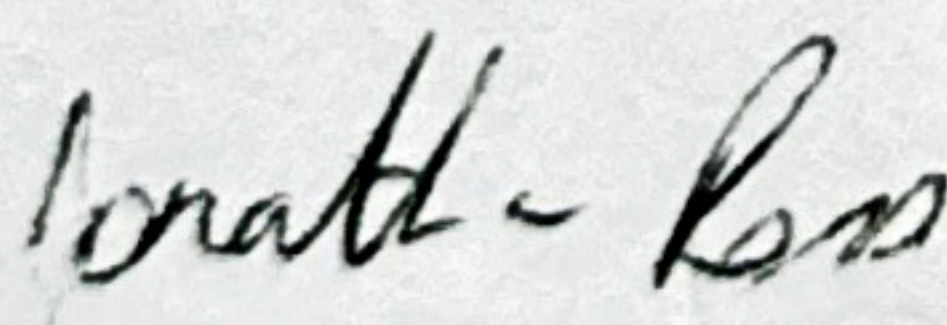
My examination included a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also included consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as charity trustees concerning any such matters.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. That accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 63 of the Charities Act
2. That the accounts do not accord with those accounting records
3. That the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act
4. That there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission for Northern Ireland, I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.


Jonathan Ross FCA
JSR Chartered Accountants

44 Blackisland Road
Annaghmore
Portadown
BT62 1NE

Date: 7th June 2024