

Scout Hall Playgroup (Westhill)

**Report and Accounts
for the year ended
31 July 2024**

Scottish Charity Number: SCO18585

The Scout Hall Playgroup (Westhill)

Trustees' Report for the year ended 31st July 2024

Charitable Objectives

The aim of this group is to provide Early Learning and Childcare opportunities for children in the local community. The service builds on the valuable learning that takes place in and around the home helping develop skills that the children will rely on in later life. This is mainly achieved through the provision of carefully planned play experiences, delivered in a nurturing, inclusive environment whilst following Scottish Government documents such as the Prebirth to Three guidance and Curriculum for Excellence. The group seeks to encourage charitable activities through which the parents can support the development of their children.

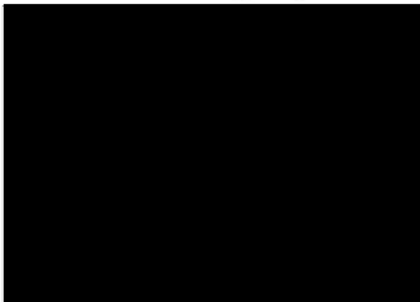
The group provides accommodation and equipment, employs play practitioners to lead the activities, pays for resources, fixes and collects fees and liaises with other bodies as required. The Trustees and Playgroup manager are directly concerned with the employment and appraisal of all staff. In essence the group undertakes any activity necessary or desirable to enable the group to achieve its objectives.

The group has continued its membership of the Early Years Scotland, accepted its aims and paid appropriate subscription, and arranges all relevant and necessary insurances through this membership.

Trustees

The Trustees comprise members of the parent group and are appointed annually at the AGM. They are governed by the charity's constitution.

The trustees during the year were:



All Trustees named above were appointed or re-appointed at the AGM in September 2023 and resigned at the AGM in September 2024.

The trustees at the date of this report are:



All Trustees named above were appointed or re-appointed at the AGM in September 2024 or on January 2025 at a committee meeting.

Principal Address

The Scout Hall Playgroup (Westhill)
c/o Holly Boardman
11 Morven Crescent
Westhill
AB32 6WA

Financial Position

The financial position as at 31st July 2024 is as set out in the accounts, which have been prepared on a receipts and payments basis.

Review of Activities and Achievements

Fundraising continues to be challenging but the playgroup raised £18,245 (2023: £4,319) from a variety of fundraising activities (net of expenses) including donations of £4,100 (2023: £230). There were a number of successful activities throughout the year including a Golf day £3,515 (2023:nil), Halloween party and activities £2,253 (2023:£8), Race night £1,390 (2023:nil) and Easter party and activities £1,200 (2023:nil). A parent again kindly chose the playgroup to receive her sponsorship for taking part in the Kilt Walk and raised £2,013 (2023: £620).

The Redundancy Reserve account (deposit bank account) with interest applied now stands at £10,670 (2023: £10,517).

As at 31st July 2024 the Charity's reserves stand at £17,583 (2023: £11,095), retaining sufficient funds to allow the Playgroup to continue to operate at current subscription levels and allow for planned staff cost increases.

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on their behalf by



Trustee

29th April 25
Date

Scout Hall Playgroup (Westhill)
Registered Charity SCO18585
Statement of Receipts and Payments
For the period to 31st July 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Receipts		
Fees/Snacks	19,924	11,640
Council Funding	34,819	40,625
Fund Raising (net of expenses)	18,245	4,319
Interest Received	153	80
	<u>73,141</u>	<u>56,664</u>
Payments		
Wages	48,884	46,298
Rent	11,051	11,124
Equipment	3,905	2,125
Snacks	1,253	1,140
Subscription	397	352
Misc	1,163	1,069
	<u>66,653</u>	<u>62,108</u>
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year	<u><u>6,488</u></u>	<u><u>(5,444)</u></u>

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Registered Charity SCO18585
Statement of Balances
As at 31st July 2024

	2024
	£
Funds reconciliation	
Cash at Bank & In Hand - 31/7/23	11,095
Surplus for the year	6,488
Cash at Bank & In Hand - 31/7/24	<u><u>17,583</u></u>

Bank & Cash Balances	
Bank Current account	6,913
Bank Deposit account	<u>10,670</u>
	<u><u>17,583</u></u>

Reserves

All of the Charity's funds are held as unrestricted.

Approved by the Board of Trustees and signed on its behalf by



Trustee

29th April 25.
Date

APPENDIX 3



Independent examiner's report on the accounts

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Report to the trustees/members of	Charity name	SCOUT HALL PLAYGROUP (WESTHILL)						
Registered charity number	SC	SC018585						
On the accounts of the charity for the period	Period start date	Day	Month	Year	to	Day	Month	Year
		01	08	2023		31	07	2024
Set out on pages		(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)						

Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the terms of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) 2005 Act and the Charities Accounts (Scotland) Regulations 2006 (as amended). The charity trustees consider that the audit requirement of Regulation 10(1) (d) of the Accounts Regulations does not apply. It is my responsibility to examine the accounts as required under section 44(1) (c) of the Act and to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination is carried out in accordance with Regulation 11 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts and seeks explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and, consequently, I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention [other than that disclosed on the attached page*]

1. which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with section 44(1) (a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations, and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with Regulation 9 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations

have not been met, or

2. to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date: 28/04/2025

Name:

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

Address:

*Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply. If the words do apply, set out those matters which have come to your attention on the following page.