

CRAVEN ARMS PRESCHOOL PLAYGROUP TRUSTEES REPORT 2023 (Charity #1018514)

Structure, Governance and management

Craven arms preschool is run by its trustees. They are made up of existing pupils' parents, previous pupils' parents, the preschool manager and local persons. The trustees receive no remuneration or expenses for the work that they carry out as trustees. They volunteer their services in the interest of providing the local community with affordable and flexible childcare.

Name	Position	Date started	Date Resigned
Donna Lewis	Chairperson	23 rd June 2021	NA current
Laura Grindley	Vice Chairperson	28 September 2022	NA current
Kim Gripton	Treasurer	16 th March 2017	NA current
Abi Hirons	Secretary	10th October 2020	NA current
Wendy Weynberg	Manager		
Phillipa Mynett	Deputy Manager		
Kylie Radmore	Assistant		
Shannon Poole	Apprentice		
Ellie Davies	Apprentice		
Jessica Willis	Apprentice		
Kim Jones	Committee Member		
Adele martin assistant			
Emily Jones	Committee Member		
Veronica Morgan	Committee Member		

Objectives and Aims

The aims of the preschool are to enhance the development of the children primarily under statutory school age, in a parent involving, community-based group. They do this by offering a safe, secure and stimulating environment, working within a framework that ensures equality of opportunity for all children and families.

As a committee we oversee the management of Preschool with monthly meetings which include discussions with the Preschool manager about the day to day running of the Preschool setting. As a committee we are responsible for policy and procedures and these are discussed to ensure the high standard of the Preschool is maintained at all times including the guidelines of Ofsted.

Achievements and performance

Craven arms preschool has continued to provide affordable accessible childcare and our numbers continue to grow This has shown that there is a real need for the service that we provide within the community. We have taken on an apprentice into the setting.

Fundraising has been very successful this year which has enabled us to complete the renovations in the garden and add new play equipment to enhance the outdoor space making a safe and fun area for our children. we have encouraged the children to also take part in fundraising with a sponsored bounce which was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

We were also able this year to take the children on an excursion to the west midland safari park the children loved seeing the animals and had chance to interact within the environment, also they enjoyed a sing song on the coach and a lovely picnic in the sunshine.

All our activities in and out of the setting encourage and maintain the development of the children present

Our committee is made up of parents and volunteers from the local community and we have continued to work hard to support the staff in our preschool. We have seen a large increase in children this year which we are very proud as a committee of how the staff have managed and adapted to the increase in numbers and always maintaining the high standard.

We continue to be part of the r childcare tax scheme account and have set up a new system where parents are sent their invoices online which is working well.

Our principal source of funding is provided by both funded and non-funded child placements using schemes including '24u' and 15 and 30 hours funded places for 3-year-olds additional income comes through fundraising and we encourage all parents to get involved with helping to do that.

Reserves

Our policy states that we must have the cash requirement to 3 months' worth of normal running costs and expenses. Any surplus is used for the benefit of the preschool including but not limited to repairs, replacements and internal/ external projects which are discussed and agreed by the committee.

The Preschool currently has no funds in deficit

In 2023 we will continue to work hard to support the staff and children within the setting. we hope to continue with our fundraising and have several exciting ideas of events we are planning to do

DATE: 29/09/2022

Signed

Ms Donna Lewis (Chairperson)

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Section B Disclosure