

Wymeswold Preschool
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT
29th October 2025

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Reference and Administrative Information

Charity Name: Wymeswold Preschool

Charity Registration No 1027215

Principal Address: Memorial Hall
Clay Street
WYMESWOLD LE12 6TU

Board of Trustees and Committee roles

Sarah Hooper (Chair)

Jane Bowley (Treasurer)

Charlotte Hubbard (April 25 to date acting as Secretary)

Gemma Johnson

Nichola Hather (Preschool Leader)

Independent Examiner

Mandy Staniforth – Qualified as a Certified Accountant

Bankers

Lloyds PLC

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Period of report: 1st August 2024 to 31st July 2025

Structure, Governance, and Management

Wymeswold Preschool is a member of the Pre-School Learning Alliances and is governed by its constitution.

The overall management and control of the Pre-school rests with the individual members of its management committee. As well as being responsible for the management of the Pre-school the committee members are also the charity trustees of the Pre-school.

Committee members are recruited in accordance with the Pre-School Learning Alliances constitution.

Objectives, Activities, Achievements and Performance

The aims of the Pre-school are to enhance the development and education of children primarily under statutory school age by encouraging parents to understand and provide for the needs of their children through community groups by:

1. Offering appropriate play, education and care facilities, family learning and extended hours groups, together with the right of parents to take responsibility for and to become involved in the activities of the groups, ensuring that such groups offer opportunities for all children whatever their race, culture, religion, means or ability.
2. Encouraging the study of the needs of such children and their families and promoting public interest in and recognition of such needs in the local areas.
3. Instigating and adhering to and furthering the aims and objects of the Pre-school Learning Alliance.

In shaping our objectives and planning our activities, the Trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, including the guidance 'public benefit: running a Charity (PB2)' and the activities we provide fully reflect the purposes for which the Charity was set up.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

- A series of successful fundraising events and kind donations raised a total of £5869 (after expenses £4561)
- The Fundraising effort has enabled the preschool to maintain a healthy reserve fund despite the decrease in child numbers at the beginning of the Autumn Term 2024
- Continuing with a range of extra curricular activities. Sport, Dance, Forest School, Smallholding visit, Open Days. Introduction of a Plate to Plot project – growing food and cooking.
- Continuing to run a successful monthly coffee morning for the community.

Plans for the Future

We will continue to offer high quality provision in line with our objectives, to a diversity of pre-school age children.

We will invest in learning resources to support our objectives and responsibilities

To continue to enhance our additional learning opportunities as far as funding allows

We will complete a review of our financial accounts and funding, improve our financial policies and practices and again review the efficacy and viability of introducing financial software due to the increase in accounting work.

We will initiate a staff review, to include staff structure and roles. We will review salaries Accordingly. Always mindful that the number of children attending can change dramatically from year to year

We will invest further in staff development to support and enhance the service we provide, this may include additional training for Forest School provision.

To increase opportunities to engage with families, partners and the wider local community:- with plans to introduce a mother and toddlers group, educational and social events for parents to increase inclusivity and knowledge.

Develop links with other local EY providers and schools.

Develop a marketing strategy.

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Financial Review

The accounts for the year ending 31st July 2025 show a surplus of £26952 (2024: £2302).

Income in the period has increased with more children attending and less children leaving at year end. Childcare funding £64887(2024: £22050).

Parent fees £19918(2024: £20904) and fundraising events £5869 (2024: £12095.36) with donations £2348 (2024: £3943)

Total expenditure for the period was £65170 (2024: £57023).

Total unrestricted funds held at 31 July 2025 and available for use towards the general objectives of the charity were £54555 (2024:£ 27602).

Total designated funds held at 31 July 2025 and available for use towards the general objectives of the charity were nil (2024: nil)

Restricted funds held at 31 July 2025, which are to be used for the specific projects they were donated for, were nil (2024: nil)

Reserves Policy

The Pre-school has achieved a reserve to cover at least 2 terms worth of expenditure in reserve but is aware that this needs to be maintained but may be depleted by changing child numbers or other eventualities.

This year we have achieved this amount. £43447 (2023 £27602.18)

Trustee Fees/Expenses

No payments were made to trustees during the period.

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Trustees Responsibilities in relation to the Financial Statements

The trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom generally accepted Accounting Practices)

The laws applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the trustees are required to:-

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently
- Observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP 2019 (FRS 102);
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- State whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature



Full name Sarah Hooper

Position Chair

Date: 29th October 2025

RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 31ST JULY 2025					
CHARITY: WYMESWOLD PLAYGROUP - No 1027215					
		2024/2025	2023/2024	2022/2023	2021/2022
RECEIPTS					
Trading Activities					
Nursery Education Funding		64,887 \wedge	22,050	34,747	19,206
Invoiced Fees		19,918 \wedge	20,904	10,845	12,769
Milk Reimbursement					5
Total Trading Activities		84,805 \checkmark	42,954	45,592	31,980
Voluntary Sources					
Donations		2,348 \wedge	3,943	6,792	1,791
Fundraising Proceeds	\wedge 5,869		12,095	7,919	8,804
Less Fundraising expenses	\wedge -1,308	4,561 \checkmark	-2,089	10,006	-1,867
Total Voluntary Sources				14,711	10,595
HMRC Mat Pay				1,500	6,831
Miscellaneous				61	466
Bank Interest Earned		408 \wedge	333	56	1
TOTAL RECEIPTS		92,122 \checkmark	59,326	61,921	49,873
PAYMENTS					
Direct Charitable Expenditure					
Wages		52,704 \wedge	43,443	40,112	30,727
Rent		5,234 \wedge	7,267	3,094	6,277
Insurance PLA Fees		604 \wedge		742	697
Accountants Fees (payroll)		1,656 payable in advance now	622	650	617
Total Fixed Costs		60,198 \checkmark	51,332	44,599	38,319
Non-Fixed Costs					
Playgroup Resources		1,189 \wedge	704	987	353
Telephone		113 \wedge			
Online/ Digital		365 \wedge	716	493	431
Entertainment/Trips		2,600 \wedge	1,579	1,570	668
Staff Training		210 \wedge	449	324	266
Educational Subs				210	197
Miscellaneous		495 \wedge	153	50	681
Total Non-Fixed Costs		4,972 \checkmark	5,691	5,164	4,464
TOTAL PAYMENTS		65,170 \checkmark	57,023	49,763	42,782
Surplus/Deficit Receipts & Payments		26,952 \checkmark	2,302	12,158	7,090
CASH BALANCES HELD					
As At 31st July 2024					
Deposit account		24,938	20,879	10,323	4,322
Current account		2,465	4,421	2,839	1,727
Petty Cash		200		8	39
Total Cash Balances at start		27,603 \checkmark	25,300	13,170	6,087
Surplus/Deficit Receipts & Payments		26,952	2,302	12,158	7,090
Cash Balances held at end of year		54,555 \checkmark	27,602	25,327	13,177
CASH BALANCES HELD					
As At 31st July 2025					
Deposit account		53,046 β	24,938 β	20,879	10,323
Current account		1,309 β	2,465 β	4,421	2,839
Petty Cash		200	200	28	16
Total Cash Balances at end		54,555 \checkmark	27,602	25,327	13,177

α - agreed to cash book totals
 β - agreed to bank statement



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
Wymeswold Preschool

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 July 2025

**Charity no
(if any)**

1027215

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/07/2025.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

1. Accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
2. The accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Mandy Staniforth

Date:

11/11/2025

Name:

Mandy Staniforth

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

None

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