



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 05/04/2024 Period start date to 04/04/2025 Period end date

Charity name: Lilliput Preschool

Charity registration number: 1032068

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	Education / Training / Childcare
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	We aim to provide good quality, high standard, and affordable childcare. Employment opportunities for local residents
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Trustees have complied during their duties with regard to the commissions public benefit guidance.

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	Working in partnership with parents and families. Working with local agencies, professionals, schools and children centre. Providing employment opportunities as well as training and education for staff that wish to access it. Improving outcomes for children, identifying problems early and referrals to appropriate interventions. Providing opportunities and different experiences for our children and families. Supporting families in our local community during the cost of living crisis.

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	A small gain this year achieved by reducing budgets and renewing contracts and changing suppliers. We have invested in high interest savings accounts with our reserves to build funds. We have utilised EYPP to renew resources but the gap between the funding rate and the cost of delivery remains. With another increase in employers NI and minimum wage, finances will become even more challenging in the future.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	Reserves are held in case of emergencies such as repairs to buildings, staff redundancies and other such expenses. Additional costs such as renewal of lease and planning permission which is due August 2025
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£50,000 to cover staff redundancies in case of closure £10,000 to cover essential maintenance as building ages. Reserves increased by using fixed rated saving incentives with the bank.
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	N/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	N/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	Staff were given a raise in line with minimum wage this year and those above have also had a rise. This is important to maintain staff retention and morale. Wages however still are low and retaining good staff is difficult without financial incentive. Committee members are difficult to recruit and we face a very real threat without critical volunteers.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Free Early Education funding 3 and 4 year olds universal and extended Early Years Free for Two funding scheme Parents fees
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	Raising staff costs are putting more pressure on the need to keep admissions higher and maintained. Our building is getting older and will need additional maintenance. A need potentially dip into reserves if needed. Difficulties in recruiting committee members. The children are challenging after the pandemic and we have a high percentage of children receiving EYPP, SEND and EAL.

Other		Plan to review finances in 6 months and measures to be taken if needed.
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Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		Local residents and parents
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	Pre-school Learning Alliance constitution Ofsted
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	Pre-school Learning Alliance constitution Unincorporated
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	The committee are volunteers from the local community. Members are elected by the committee.

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Lilliput Pre-school
Registered charity number	1032068
Charity's principal address	Military Road Canterbury Kent CT1 1PA

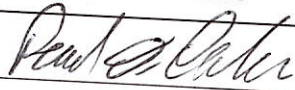

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Paul Carolan	Chair	2015 – Present	
2	Lynda Logan	Treasurer	2015 - Present	
3	Katiane De Jesus	Trustee	2021 – Present	
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Declarations

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	PAUL J. CAROLAN	LYNDA SUSAN LOGAN
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	TREASURER

Date

Lilliput Pre-school Revenue Budget April 2024 - March 2025

INCOME		£	8,307.95
Fee Income		£	11,959.12
Funding for Free Entitlement 2 yrs		£	117,300.63
Funding for Free Entitlement 3 & 4 yrs		£	-
Special Educational Needs Inclusion Fund (SENIF)		£	910.00
Disability Access Fund (DAF)		£	4,728.38
Early Years Pupil Premium (EYPP)		£	-
Other		£	500.00
Training		£	974.88
Leadership Funding		£	1,139.50
Yearly Intrest from reserves saving account		£	145,820.46

TOTAL INCOME (a)

EXPENDITURE

Staffing		£	99,751.18
Total Staff Costs		£	262.90
Training		£	5,020.37
Pension			
Premises Costs		£	2,372.00
Rent/Mortgage		£	2,201.15
Utilities (electric, gas, water)		£	4,597.72
Maintenance (fire checks, PAT testing)		£	455.40
Waste Disposal		£	-
Planning / Legal Fees			
Insurance Costs		£	3,018.39
Public Liability & Employer Liability		£	-
Building and/or contents		£	61.51
Other (please specify)			
Admin Costs		£	1,143.39
Telephone / Mobile / Internet		£	512.38
Stationery, Photocopying & Postage		£	1,196.98
Lease Equipment (chip n pin, photocopier)		£	192.00
Accountant		£	47.00
Information Commissioners Office (data protection)		£	418.20
Payroll / bank charges		£	-
DBS checks		£	35.00
Registration & Inspection (Osted, PLA, companies house)		£	223.67
Secure email Subscription		£	-
Petty Cash			
Materials Costs		£	1,572.45
Play Equipment (non capital)		£	633.55
Consumables (paint, glue, glitter, paper, first aid stock)		£	580.39
Food & Drink		£	727.54
Cleaning Materials			
Volunteer Expenses		£	9.50
Travel Reimbursement		£	-
Induction		£	-
Other (please specify)			
Advertising Expenses		£	-
Promotion Costs		£	-
Recruitment Costs			
Activities Costs		£	-
Staff Fuel Reimbursement		£	3,723.53
Staff / Children's Activities			
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Other Costs (please specify)		£	217.69
Staff / Childrens Uniforms		£	186.89
Uniform		£	-
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TOTAL EXPENDITURE (b)

£ 16,660

SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) (= a - b)

Lilliput Pre-School April 2024 – March 2025

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