



Stepping Stones Playgroup
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Annual Report for year ending 31st August 2025

Trustees report

The Trustees for Stepping Stones Playgroup present their report and the financial statements of the Playgroup for year ending 31st August 2025.

Stepping Stones Playgroup is a registered charity governed by the constitution adopted on 1st March 2017.

Charitable Objectives

The objectives of the Trustees and staff of Stepping Stones Playgroup are to;

- Provide high quality care and education for children below the statutory school age.
- Working in partnership with parents to help children learn and develop.
- Add to the life and well-being of the local community.
- Offer children and their parents a service that promotes equality and values diversity.

Every child deserves the best possible start in life and support to fulfil their potential. A child's experience in early years has a major impact on their future life chances. A secure, safe, and happy childhood is important in its own right, and it provides a foundation for children to make the most of their abilities and talents as they grow up. When parents choose Stepping Stones, they want to know that we will keep their children safe and help them to thrive. The Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) is the framework that provides that assurance.

Stepping Stones Playgroups objectives are achieved mainly by learning through play and establishing strong communicative links with parents.

Organisation

Stepping Stones Playgroup is committee led and administered by the following trustees; -

Mr C Westmore, Mrs R Murphy, Mrs S Tregaske, Mrs E Kelly, Mrs K Griffiths.

Stepping Stones Playgroup employs 10 members of staff, to who, day-by-day management is delegated in conjunction with the Trustees.

The Trustees are appointed each year at the Annual General Meeting.

STEPPING STONES PLAYGROUP
STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

	2024	2023
	£	£
Cash Funds		
Bank Account	8,902	36,137
Deposit Accounts	53,181	33,227
Fixed Term	11,800	-
<u>Total Cash Funds</u>	<u>73,883</u>	<u>69,364</u>
Other Assets		
Fixed Assets	1,138	937
Fees Receivable	1,040	829
Other Debtors	3,751	506
<u>Total Other Assets</u>	<u>5,929</u>	<u>2,272</u>
Liabilities		
Trade Creditors	532	384
PAYE	-	167
Wages	-	-
Accruals	91	3,807
Fees Repayable	-	-
Pension creditor	52	64
Bad Debt provision	-	-
<u>Total Liabilities</u>	<u>675</u>	<u>4,422</u>
Net Assets	<u>79,137</u>	<u>67,214</u>
Represented by;		
Reserves B/Fwd - unrestricted	67,214	62,667
Excess / (deficit) for the year	11,923	4,547
	<u>79,137</u>	<u>67,214</u>

STEPPING STONES PLAYGROUP**MANAGEMENT PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT****FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024**

	£	£	2023 £
INCOME			
Grants from HCC		-	-
Fees		114,271.00	107,785.00
Toddler Group		-	-
Fundraising Events		585.00	1,578.00
Donations		210.00	1,835.00
Nursery Events		1,600.00	13.00
Photographer		-	-
		<u>116,666.00</u>	<u>111,211.00</u>
EXPENSES			
Wages & National Insurance	85,149.00		(84,489.00)
Employer's Pension Contributions	1,024.00		(1,176.00)
Training	220.00		(225.00)
Staff Welfare	-		-
Staff Uniforms	202.00		(489.00)
Cost of fundraising Events	1,580.00		(1,200.00)
Huggs - Food Voucher Scheme	100.00		(100.00)
Rent & Hire of rooms	11,145.00		(11,145.00)
Repairs & Maintenance	165.00		(1,065.00)
Vegetable garden	23.00		-
Refreshments & Consumables	419.00		(344.00)
Outings & Parties	152.00		(2,190.00)
Insurance	348.00		(743.00)
Subscriptions	-		-
Telephone & Internet	172.00		-
Printing, Postage & Stationery	195.00		(190.00)
Advertising & Promotion	-		(100.00)
Gifts	-		-
Crafts & toys	806.00		(1,623.00)
Accountancy	1,155.00		(1,312.00)
Travel & Entertaining	-		(23.00)
Legal	85.00		(131.00)
Bank Charges	7.00		-
Depreciation	427.00		(288.00)
Bad Debt	1,003.00		-
Bad Debt provision	803.00		-
Sundry Expenses	-		-
		<u>105,180.00</u>	<u>(106,833.00)</u>
NET		11,486.00	4,378.00
Bank Interest received		437.00	169.00
NET of Receipts/(Payments)		<u>11,923.00</u>	<u>4,547.00</u>



Section A Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/ members of

Charity Name STEPPING STONES PLAYGROUP

On accounts for the year ended

31 AUGUST 2024 Charity no (if any) 1035183

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 August 2019.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees, 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 all 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:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed: [Signature]

Date: 24/6/2025

Name: Maureen Anne Richardson

Relevant professional qualification(s) or body

N/A.

(if any):

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Section B

Disclosure

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

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