

BECKLEY PRE-SCHOOL  
Registered Charity no. 1035670

ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS  
for the year ended 31 August 2023

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BECKLEY PRESCHOOL  
(Registered Charity No 1035670)  
ANNUAL REPORT for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023

The Committee of Beckley Preschool present their report and financial statements for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023.

Legal and Administrative Information

TRUSTEES

1) Appointment of Trustees

As set out in the constitution the Trustees (Committee) are elected annually by the Committee at the Annual General Meeting with up to 2 being co-opted by the Committee if necessary.

The charity is governed by a Committee of at least 6 elected officers.

The Committee is authorised to appoint new Trustees to fill vacancies arising through resignation or death of an existing member.

2) Induction and Training

New Trustees are provided with information on the structure, business plan and recent financial performance of the Charity and are encouraged to consult with the Officers to facilitate the undertaking of their role.

3) Organisation

The Committee (of Trustees) are responsible for the day-to-day management of the Charity. The Committee regularly review the operational risks which the Charity faces and are satisfied that the systems currently in place are sufficient to enable such risks to be minimised.

The Committee meet 6 times per year (once each school term)

Committee of Trustees with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022 are:

Jill BRAIN-Chairperson

Briony MASON-Treasurer

Kim CHAPMAN-Village Hall Rep

Lisa PARKER-Secretary

Jo ENTWISTLE-Parent Rep

Holly FINTAN-Parent Rep

All other parents/guardians will automatically become "Friends of Beckley Preschool" when they register their children and are welcome to attend the Committee meetings.

OTHER INFORMATION

Bursar: Jill BRAIN

Charity Address: Beckley Village Centre, Main Street, Beckley, TN31 6RL

Main Banker: Nat West plc, Rye Branch

Independent Examiner: Mary HOWSE, The Bartletts, Main Street, Beckley, E.Sussex

Objectives and Activities

The Association is governed by a Constitution, last amended in September 2014.

The object of the Association is the advancement of education for children below compulsory school age in Beckley Village Centre and to this end they provide a Preschool and Toddler group, available to all children and parents in the catchment area.

Achievements and Performance

Edwina Lyward has thrived as the Manager of the Preschool and completed her EYITT training by the summer of 2023. This did cause some staffing issues during her placement at Beckley School and we are grateful to the other staff for stepping in to do extra sessions.

This situation was made more challenging with the loss of Sharon Parker, the Deputy Manager, in November 2022 but we were very grateful that Sarah Wyatt (who had previously been a Manager at the Preschool) agreed to fill the Deputy post. In December 2022 the difficult decision was made to close the Parent and Toddler Group due to lack people but we kept on Michelle Clark as an extra/bank member of staff in the Preschool.

However despite the changes in staff the Preschool has continued to flourish.

It was a busy time in the summer with the Preschool joining in celebrations for the new Kings Coronation and celebrating its own 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a garden party in the Village Hall field to which previous members of staff, children and parents were invited.

### Financial Review

Accounts are audited once a year to show the situation for that year and the overall deficit/surplus.

The Constitution authorises the Trustees to make and hold investments using the general funds of the Charity. The Trustees, having regard to the cashflow requirements of the Charity, keep available funds in interest bearing accounts.

Fund Raising has once again provided much needed extra funds for the Preschool with the Christmas Fair generating the majority of the income.

We were also very fortunate to be given a donation of £7,500.00 from a local couple and this we hope will help secure the future of the Preschool.

During the year cashflow difficulties were relieved by the Beckley Village Hall Trust, our premises provider, agreeing to delay rental payments.

Subsequently the Trust agreed to write off £2,686 of the hire and this reduced the deficit, before the above donation, to £412.

### Future Plans

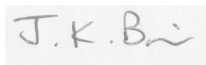
The main focus for the future has been to increase child numbers.

There is now a strong staff team in place and all are intent on ensuring the Preschool thrives.

Numbers at present for September are fairly low but we intend to offer all staff a certain number of sessions.

This report was approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf:

Jill Brain .  
Chairperson



Date 13/05/24

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**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of  
Beckley Pre-School**

I report on the unaudited accounts of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2023 set out on pages 5-9

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for the year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts (under section 145 of the 2011 Act,)
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act, and
- state whether particular matters have come to my attention

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commissioners. 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 seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report to those matters is set out in the statement below.

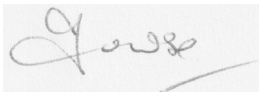
In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention

1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the 2011 Act, and
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 Act

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.



Mary Howse  
The Bartletts  
Beckley  
Rye  
East Sussex TN31 6RR

7 February 2024

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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**  
**for the year ended 31 August 2023**

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds £	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds £	Total £	2022 £
<b>Incoming Resources</b>						
Donations & gr	3	31177	7500	7100	45777	250
Charitable Activities		15868			15868	52669
Fund- raising	4	2770			2770	1595
	13	49815	7500	7100	64415	54514
<b>Resources Expended</b>						
Raising funds	4	776			776	98
Charitable Expenses		49451	1000	7100	57551	55215
	13	50227	1000	7100	58327	55313
Net Income/(Expenditure)		-412	6500	0	6088	-799
Balance at 1 Sept 2022		8243	0	0	8243	9042
Balance at 31 Aug 2023		7831	6500	0	14331	8243

**Continuing Operations**

All income and expenditure has arisen from continuing activities.

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

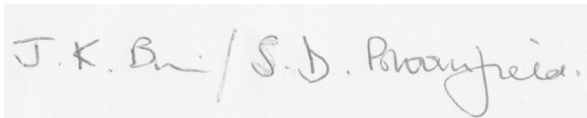
The notes form part of these financial statements

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**BALANCE SHEET as at 31 AUGUST 2023**

	Note	2023 £	2022 £
<b>Current Assets:</b>			
Cash at Bank and in hand	11	15596	8573
Debtors	9	220	100
		15816	8673
<b>Less Current Liabilities:</b>			
Creditors and prepayments	10	1485	430
<b>Net Current Assets</b>		14331	8243
Funds General Fund		7831	9042
Designated Fund		6500	
		14331	9042

The financial statements on pages 5 to 9 were approved by the Committee and signed on their behalf.



Chairperson  
Date: 20/05/2024

BECKLEY PRE-SCHOOL  
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Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023

## **1 Basis of preparation of accounts**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their account in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards for Smaller Entities (effective January 2015). Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant account policy note.

## **2 Accounting Policies**

### **2.1 Tangible fixed assets for use by the charity and depreciation**

No value has been placed on assets held for the functional use of the Charity.

Items of equipment are written off in the year of purchases. The Trustees consider that little residual value attaches to them.

### **2.2 Income recognition policies**

Items of income are recognised and included in the accounts when all of the following criteria are met:

- The charity have entitlement to the funds
- any performance conditions attached to the item(s) of income have been met or are fully within the control of the charity:
- there is sufficient certainty that receipt of the income is considered probable
- the amount can be measure reliably

### **2.3 Interest receivable**

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the bank or building society.

### **2.4 Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds are available to spend on activities that further any of the purposes of the charity

Designated funds are unrestricted funds that have been designated by the trustees for a particular purpose

Restricted funds are subject to special trusts that have been specified by the donors.

### **2.5 Expenditure and irrecoverable VAT**

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probably that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

### **2.6 Support costs**

Support costs are those functions that assist the work of the charity but do not directly undertake charitable activities. Support costs include back office costs, finance and governance costs which support the Charity's activities.

### **2.7 Debtors**

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount due after any trade discount offered.

Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid.

### **2.8 Cash at bank and in hand**

Cash at bank and cash in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of one year or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

### **2.9 Creditors**

Creditors are recognised where the charity has present obligation resulting from a past event that will probably result in the transfer of funds to a third party and the amount due to settle the obligation can be measured or estimated reliably.

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**Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023 continued**

<b>3</b>	<b>Grants &amp; Donations</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>Designated</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	ESCC	27012			27012	35849
	EYSIF			7000	7000	3085
	Support Grant	3665			3665	0
	Pupil Premium				0	892
	Jempsom's Foundation				0	250
	Beckley Village Hall			100	100	100
	Tufton Charity		7500		7500	0
	Beckley Parish Council	500			500	0
		31177	7500	7100	45777	40176
<b>4</b>	<b>Fundraising</b>		<b>Income</b>	<b>Costs</b>	<b>(net)</b>	<b>(net)</b>
	Christmas Fair		2234	667	1567	0
	Christmas Raffle				0	345
	Plant Fair				0	648
	Easter Fair				0	25
	School Fair		34	32	2	21
	Easter Egg Hunt		255	57	198	0
	Bags2School		30		30	321
	Cauliflower Group				0	33
	Amazon		117		117	129
	Anglo Recycling		100		100	0
	Sundry			20	-20	-25
			2770	776	1994	1497
<b>5</b>	<b>Staff Costs</b>					
	Direct Cost	Beckley Preschool			40311	41631
		EYSFI			7000	3085
		Support Grant			3665	0
		Training			198	105
	Support Costs	Adminstrat ion			625	888
		Pension costs			486	625
					52285	46334
<b>6</b>	<b>Governance</b>					
	Independent Examiner				65	65
	Data Protection				40	80
					105	145
<b>7</b>	<b>Trustees Remuneration &amp; Expenses</b>					
	No remuneration or expenses were paid to the Trustees during the year.					

**8 Related Party Transactions**

There were no related party transactions during the year.

**9 Debtors**

Sundry Debtors

220	100
220	100

**10 Current liabilities**

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Sundry Creditors

210	263
1275	167
1485	430

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**Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023 continued**

	2023	2022
<b>Cash at Bank &amp; in hand</b>		
Natwest Bank – General	3496	5207
Fund raising	4364	3126
Contingency fund	7500	0
Cash in hand	236	240
	<b>15596</b>	<b>8573</b>

**12 Taxation**

As a registered charity, no tax is payable on charitable activity.

**Income and Expenditure**

	Note	General	Designated	Restricted	Total	2022
<b>Incoming Resources</b>						
Donations	3	500	7500	100	8100	250
Charitable activities						
Fees		15667			15667	12636
Toddler Group Fees		47			47	53
Grants	3	30677		7000	37677	39926
Clothing		154			154	54
Fund raising	4	2770			2770	1595
		49815	7500	7100	64415	54514
<b>Resources Expended</b>						
Fund raising e:	4	776			776	98
Charitable costs						
Wages	5	45285		7000	45285	46334
Tent – preschool		418	1000		418	3877
-Office		400			400	400
Pupil premium cost					0	692
Equipment		473			473	
Toys and crafts		329			329	163
Stationery		120			120	147
Milk and domestic		460			460	495
Toddler expenses		3			3	378
Field and garden		276		100	376	470
Trip and parties		236			236	113
Clothing					0	656
Ofsted registration		50			50	50
Insurance		720			720	699
Training		165			165	75
Admin costs		411			411	505

Sundry expenses					0	16
Governance	6	105			105	145
		50227	1000	7100	50327	55313
<b>Net (deficit)/surplus for year</b>		-412	6500	0	14088	-799
<b>Balance of funds 1.9.22</b>		8243	0	0	9042	9042
<b>Balance of funds 31.8.23</b>		7831	6500	0	23130	8243